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Catalog: Course Description:
This nursing elective examines the pharmacological process utilized by nurses including knowledge of medications, administration of medications, and medication calculations in patients throughout the lifespan. Pharmacological issues, over the counter medications, and herbal medication use will be examined. Reactions, compliance, and other patient responses to pharmacological therapies will be discussed.

Course Objectives:
1. Exam the pharmacological process utilized in the safe administration of medications to client.
2. Explore pharmacological issues related to client care.
3. Analyze ethical and legal principles associated with medication administration.

Required Text:
Course Requirements:

1. Class attendance is an expectation. Students are expected to be prepared for all class meetings. The student should have completed assignments prior to attending class. Students are responsible for obtaining materials available on Blackboard prior to class.

2. Plagiarism is the intentional use of another’s words or ideas as your own. Plagiarism can range from using another individual’s direct words or changing the words slightly (paraphrasing) without the appropriate citation and purchasing a paper from the Internet or a professional writing service. Evidence of plagiarism or academic dishonesty will be handled according to the policy on academic honesty established by Moravian College. Copies of the academic honesty policy are available in the nursing department.

3. Students with disabilities who believe that they may need accommodations in this class are encouraged to contact the Learning Services Office as soon as possible to enhance the likelihood such accommodations are implemented in a timely fashion.

4. Attendance is a requirement for class. Faculty members will use their discretions to deduct points from the final grade for any unexcused absence(s). Five tenth (.5) of a point will be deducted for each unexcused absence.

Methods of Evaluation:

1. Five exams 50 %
2. Paper on Pharmacology topic 10%
3. Pharmacology case studies 10%
4. Class participation 5%
5. Medication Calculation Exam 10%
6. Final Exam 15%
Grading Policy:
1. Papers must be typed according to APA style (5th Ed.).
2. Assignments are expected on or before their due dates. Five points per day will be deducted from the grade if assignments are handed in late.
3. For nursing majors, students are required to maintain a minimum QPA of 3.00 in nursing. Students must achieve a minimum 2.70 overall QPA in order to declare nursing as a major and to register for nursing courses numbered 212 or above.

The grading scale is as follows:
- A = 93-100
- A- = 90-92
- B+ = 87-89
- B = 83-86
- B- = 80-82
- C+ = 77-79
- C = 73-76
- C- = 70-72

4. It is within the instructor’s discretion to apply qualitative judgment in determining grades for an assignment or for the course.

Portfolio Evidence:
Journals, scholarly papers, and presentations

The CHIP concepts pertaining to this course are listed below and are further described in the Resources and References section of the Student Handbook.

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