

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Nursing – Unlimited Possibilities and Unlimited Potential

Career and Technical Education Series



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Nursing: Unlimited Possibilities and Unlimited Potential Course Overview

This course provides students opportunities to compare and contrast the various academic and clinical training pathways to an entry-level position in nursing and to explore the growing number of opportunities for professional advancement given the proper preparation and experience.

In this course, students will have several opportunities to learn about the expanding scope of professional practice for registered nurses and better understand the important changes proposed in the education and ongoing professional development of nurses.

- **The Nursing Profession:** Students will explore the history of nursing, types and educational requirements of different types of nurses, and ethics and professionalism in nursing.
- **Primary Nursing Positions:** Students will learn about the different types of primary nursing positions.
- **Nursing Specialties:** Students will explore specialized nursing fields such as operating room, pediatrics, psychiatric, correctional, oncology and orthopedic.
- **More Nursing Specialties:** Students continue their exploration of specialized nursing fields. In this unit, they explore fields such as AIDS care, cardiac rehabilitation, ambulatory nursing, infection control, occupational health, and gastroenterology/endoscopy.
- **Nursing Career Alternatives:** Careers as a flight nurse, forensic nurse, and travel nurse are reviewed in this unit.

Unit 1: The Nursing Profession	
Nursing	Assignments
	1. Course Overview
	2. History of Nursing
	3. Registered Nursing
	4. Project: Careers in Nursing
	5. LPN, CNA, HHA
	6. Project: Caveat Emptor
	7. Quiz 1: Introduction
	8. The Nursing Code of Ethics
	9. Project: Defining the Members of a Healthcare Team
	10. Role of the Nurse as Part of a Health Care Team
	11. Project: Case Study: The Nursing Code of Ethics
	12. Professionalism in Nursing
	13. Project: Presentation on a Career as a Registered Nurse
	14. Quiz 2: Ethics and Professionalism in Nursing
	15. Special Project*
	16. Test
	17. Course Project - Part 1: Selecting Your Research Topic*
	18. Glossary and Credits

Unit 2: Primary Nursing Positions	
Nursing	Assignments
	1. Palliative and Hospice Nursing
	2. Project: Observing Pain and the Effects of Chronic Illness
	3. Certified Nurse Midwife
	4. Critical Care Nursing
	5. Project: Service Learning
	6. Quiz 1: Primary Nursing Positions, Part I
	7. Nurse Anesthetist
	8. Project: Analyzing Anesthesia
	9. Nurse Practitioner
	10. Project: What's Your Position?
	11. Nurse Educator
	12. Project: Why Not Nursing?
	13. Quiz 2: Primary Nursing Positions, Part 2
	14. Special Project*
	15. Test
	16. Course Project - Part 2: Identifying Resources*
	17. Glossary and Credits

Unit 3: Nursing Specialties		
Nursing	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. OR Nursing and the Humanitarian Mission 2. Project: More about Médecins Sans Frontières 3. Pediatric Nursing 4. Project: Read 5. Psychiatric Nursing 6. Quiz 1: Nursing Specialties: Operating Room Nurse, Pediatrics, and Psychiatry 7. Correctional Nursing 8. Project: Case Study: What Constitutes Appropriate Care? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. Oncology Nurse and the Child with Leukemia 10. Project: On Trial: Clinical Oncology Trials 11. Orthopedic Nurse and the Pedestrian 12. Quiz 2: Nursing Specialties: Correctional, Oncology and Orthopedic Nursing 13. Special Project* 14. Test 15. Course Project - Part 3: Developing a Survey* 16. Glossary and Credits

Unit 4: More Nursing Specialties		
Nursing	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cardiac Rehabilitation Nurse: Heart Transplant 2. Project: Developing a Cardiac Rehabilitation Program 3. Nursing as a Mission 4. Project: Serving Abroad 5. Ambulatory Nursing and Patient Independence 6. Quiz 1: Nursing Specialties: Cardiac Rehabilitation, Ambulatory Nurse, and Nurse Missionary 7. Infection Control and the Nosocomial Infection 8. Project: Writing a News Story 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. Occupational Health Nurse and the Brazilian Blowout Standards Correlation 10. Project: The Safety Film 11. Gastroenterology/Endoscopy Nurse 12. Quiz 2: Nursing Specialties: Infection Control, Occupational Health and Gastroenterology/Endoscopy 13. Special Project* 14. Test 15. Course Project - Part 4: A Case Study* 16. Glossary and Credits

Unit 5: Nursing Career Alternatives		
Nursing	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Flight Nurse 2. Project: Help! Rating Air Ambulance Service Providers 3. Forensic Nurse 4. Project: Elder Abuse PSA 5. Travel Nurse 6. Quiz 1: Nursing Career Alternatives: Flight Nurse, Forensic Nurse and Travel Nurse 7. Holistic Nurse 8. Project: Researching the History of Nursing 9. Nurse Researcher 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10. Finding the Right Nursing Career 11. Project: Finding the Right Nursing Career 12. Quiz 2: Nursing Career Alternatives: Holistic Nurse, Research Nurse, and Finding the Right Career in Nursing 13. Special Project* 14. Test 15. Course Project - Part 5: Organizing Your Presentation* 16. Glossary and Credits

Unit 6: Course Project, Review, and Exam		
Nursing	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Course Project - Part 6: Your Final Presentation* 2. Course Review 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Exam

(*) Indicates alternative assignment