Georgia College & State University College of Health Sciences School of Nursing Graduate Clinical Courses Summer 2019

Course Information

Course Title	Advanced Nursing Assessment Summer 2019		
Course #	NRSG 5480		
Catalog Description	This course includes the processes, techniques, and skills of advanced assessment. The course builds on basic and experiential knowledge of assessment. It is intended to provide the basis for individual students in the development of expertise in assessing health and illness states.		
	This course focuses on didactic and clinical content that advanced practice and master's prepared nurses utilize when assessing clients. The process of systematic assessment, which includes communication and planning skills are emphasized. Clinical judgment, diagnostic and monitoring skills, and teaching are integrated as components of assessment.		
Prerequisites	Undergraduate Physical Assessment		
Co-Requisites			
Credit Hours: 3	Class:2_ Lab/Clinical: _3		
Face to Face %	5		
Online %	95		

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Required Texts & Resources

Carrick, Tim (1994). Color Coding EKGs. Clearwater, FL: H&H	ASIN/ISBN:
Publishing. Clearwater, Florida. 33765	B01N6KSP7G
Phone (800) 366-4079. Fax (727) 442-2195	
Bickley, Lynn, Bates' Pocket Guide to Physical Examination and	9781451173222
History Taking. 7 th Edition (2013) Publisher Lippincott. ISBN 9781451173222	
Goolsby, Mary Jo & Grubbs, Laurie. <i>Advanced Assessment: Interpreting Findings and Formulating Differential Diagnoses.</i> 3 rd Edition (2015). Publisher: FA Davis	978-0803643635
Shadow Health – Digital Clinical Experience Graduate Health Assessment Module ISBN # 843-631-7484 (This must be purchased through the GC Bookstore) Course Name: Advanced Physical Assessment Course Pin # Summer2019 -1321-4420-0332-3519 https://app.shadowhealth.com/	843-631-7484
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Recommended Texts & Resources

American Psychological Association. (2009). Publication manual of the	ISBN: 978-1-
American Psychological Association (6 th ed.). Washington, DC: Author.	4338-0559-2
ISBN: 978-1-4338-0559-2	

Georgia College MSN Program Outcomes

Upon completion of the MSN program the graduate will:

1.	Integrate liberal arts foundation with scholarly inquiry and client values as a basis for problem solving.
2.	Demonstrate leadership in the advanced specialty role through legal and ethical decision making, accountability, and a commitment to quality improvement and safety.
3.	Demonstrate informatics and healthcare technology competencies to enhance outcomes for clients and populations.
4.	Advocate for ethical policies that promote access, equity, quality, and cost effectiveness.
5.	Collaborate within nursing and inter-professional teams to improve client and population health.
6.	Demonstrate the competencies associated with the graduate nursing specialty role.

Course Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, the student will:

	Course Outcome	Program Outcome #
1	Synthesize current research findings to develop a plan for evidence-based care.	1,3,
2	Develop expertise in performing health assessments of clients in varying states of health.	5, 6
3	Perform competent advanced health assessments of clients with actual or potential health problems.	6
4	Analyze subjective and objective findings and develop a comprehensive plan of care.	1,5,6
5	Compile a comprehensive written history and physical report.	1, 3, 6
6	Collaborate with clients in a caring manner throughout the assessment process an encourage them to be active participants in their health care.	1,2, 4,5, 6
7	Develop a format for presenting an organized summary of the patient history, physical, diagnostic findings, differential diagnosis and recommended plan of care in the clinical setting.	1,3, 5,6

Content Outline

Content Outline	Clinical Skills Focus
Unit 1-Foundations of Health Assessment	As directed per course
Unit 2-Regional Examinations	
Unit 3-Special Populations	
See Course Calendar for details.	

Teaching & Learning Methods Used in Course

This course uses a combination of teaching and learning methods such as lecture, discussion, classroom activities, demonstration, use of online resources, case studies, presentations, group activities, written assignments, lab activities, clinical experiences, and clinical documentation assignments.

Course Evaluation Methods

Evaluation Method	% of Course Grade	Course Outcome(s)
Weekly Quizzes (6)	50%	1,2,3,4,5,6,7
Digital Clinical Experience (Tina Jones)	5%	1,2,3,4,5,6,7
History & Physical Exam Write Up	5%	2,3,4,5,6,7
Standardized Clinical Patient Reflection	5%	4,7
Head to Toe Physical Exam Check Off	5%	1,2,3,4,5,6,7
Final Exam	30%	1,2,3,4,5,6,7

Evaluation of course objectives will be accomplished through weekly quizzes; completion of online learning modules, discussion postings, case narrative development and leadership assignment and a comprehensive final exam. The student must successfully complete both didactic and clinical components with an average of "B" or higher to progress. Failure in either theory or clinical portions of this course will result in course failure. The final course letter grade will be calculated from the numerical grade received. There will be no rounding of grades.

Grading Scale

Once a satisfactory clinical rating is received the course grade will be determined using the following grading scale:

A = 90-100	B = 80-89	C = 75-79	D = 66-74	F ≤ 65

Grades will not be rounded.

University Policies and Resources

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Academic Honesty	The integrity of students and their written and oral work is a critical component of the academic process. Students are expected to abide by the Honor Code and Code of Conduct in the Student Handbook. Cheating on an examination or assignment may result in a grade of "0" for the course and dismissal from the nursing program. In addition, faculty may report the student to the GCSU Judicial Committee for additional review and disciplinary actions. The academic dishonesty policy in the GCSU Student Handbook will be followed. Students are expected to submit original work. It is the student's responsibility to avoid plagiarism. Submission of plagiarized assignments may result in a grade of "0" for the assignment, a grade of "0" for the course, and dismissal from the nursing program. Additionally, since nursing is a practice discipline, submission of patient care assignments that are copied from another source or madeup constitutes false documentation and is unprofessional and may result in a grade of "0" for the assignment, a grade of "0" for the course, and possible dismissal from the nursing program. The GCSU Student Handbook can be found at this link: http://www.gcsu.edu/studentaffairs/handbook		
Religious	Students are permitted to miss class in observance of religious		
Observance	holidays and other activities observed by a religious group of which		
	the student is a member without academic penalty. Exercising of		
	one's rights under this policy is subject to the GC Honor Code.		
	Students who miss class in observance of a religious holiday or event		
	are required to make up the coursework missed as a result from the		
	absence. The nature of the make-up assignments and the deadline for		
	completion of such assignments are at the sole discretion of the		
	instructor. Failure to follow the prescribed procedures voids all		
Aggigtomas for	student rights under this policy.		
Assistance for	If you have a disability as described by the Americans with		
Student Needs Related to Disability	Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504, you may be eligible to receive accommodations to assist in		
Aciated to Disability	programmatic and physical accessibility. Disability Services can		
	assist you in formulating a reasonable accommodation plan and in		
	providing support in developing appropriate accommodations to		
	ensure equal access to all GC programs and facilities. Course		
	requirements will not be waived, but accommodations may assist you		
	in meeting the requirements. For documentation requirements and for		
	additional information, we recommend that you contact Disability		
	Services located in Lanier Hall at 478-445-5931.		
Student Rating of	Given the technological sophistication of Georgia College students,		
Instruction Survey	the student opinion survey is being delivered through an online		
	process. Your constructive feedback plays an indispensable role in		
	shaping quality education at Georgia College. All responses are		

	completely confidential and your name is not stored with your response in any way. In addition, instructors will not see any results
	of the opinion survey until after final grades are submitted to the
	University. An invitation to complete the online opinion survey is
	distributed to students near the end of the semester.
Fire Drills	Fire drills will be conducted annually. In the event of a fire alarm,
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	the nearest hallway exit. Learn the floor plan and exits of the
	building. Do not use elevators. If you encounter heavy smoke, crawl
	on the floor so as to gain fresh air. Assist disabled persons and others
	if possible without endangering your own life. Assemble for a head
	count on the front lawn of main campus or other designated assembly
Electronic	area.
	Electronic video and/or audio recording is not permitted during any
Recording Policy	class unless the student obtains permission from the instructor and
	every student present. If permission is granted, any distribution of the
	recording is prohibited. Violation of this policy is grounds for
	removal from the class and referral for disciplinary action. Students
	granted specific electronic recording accommodations from Disability
	Services do not require special permission; however, the instructor
	must be notified. Any distribution is prohibited.
Academic	An academic grievance or appeal is an allegation by a student of
Grievances or	substantial and/or unjustified deviation, to the student's detriment,
Appeals	from policies, procedures and/or requirements regarding admission,
	grading policies, special agreements, instructor's requirements and
	academic requirements of the University. Students shall have the
	right to file academic grievances or appeals according to the
	procedures approved by the University and outlined in the University
	Catalog.
Interlibrary Loan	Students are encouraged to use the GCSU Library and the interlibrary
	loan services (http://www2.gcsu.edu/library/ill/) to obtain journal
	articles relevant to this course.

College of Health Sciences Policies

HSB Classrooms	No food, drink or chewing gum is permitted in the classrooms within
	the Health Sciences building or Navicent Baldwin Simulation and
	Translational Research Center. This policy is set by the Dean of
	College of Health Sciences. You may consume food and beverages in
	the 3 rd floor commons area of HSB or the student lounge area of
	Navicent Baldwin. In the classrooms you may have water only, in a
	securely lidded container.
School of Nursing Policies	

Catalog and	All policies in the current Georgia College & State University
Handbook	Graduate Catalog and in the Graduate Nursing Student Handbook are
Requirements	applicable. The GCSU Graduate Catalog can be located on the

	official college website. The Undergraduate Nursing Student
	Handbook can be found in GeorgiaView Nightingale Café.
Rounding Policy	There will be no rounding of grades. Students must earn a test
	average of 75 or greater to pass nursing courses (with exception of
	NRSG 4980). Students must also receive a 75 overall grade to pass
	the course. (Example: 74.9 will not be rounded to 75)
Clinical Documents	Students must maintain current required clinical documents on file in
	the School of Nursing. Students with missing or lapsed documents
	will not be eligible to participate in clinical learning sessions. Missed
	absences for this reason will be considered unexcused and will result
	in a clinical "unsatisfactory" grade for each missed session. Two
	unsatisfactory grades results in course failure.
Satisfactory Lab	Satisfactory completion of the clinical/laboratory portion of nursing
Performance	courses is required. Students who do not successfully complete the
	laboratory portion of the course will earn a course grade of "F" for
	the course, regardless of the other course grades.
Communication	All students must regularly check their bobcats email and Georgia
	View email to receive official communication from university faculty
	and staff. Students are required to access course materials online
	through Georgia View.
Technology	Students will be required to access library materials, submit course
Requirements	assignments and use extensive online resources from the course
•	website in GeorgiaVIEW (D2L) and on other websites. To ensure
	that you are able to access these resources and submit assignments,
	please refer to the Georgia College minimum technology
	requirements. Students have access to all needed technology
	resources in the university computer labs/library. Also the IDEAS
	help desk can verify that you have all needed software and settings
	on your personal device. 478-445-2520.
Bobcat Cards	All students must have an activated Bobcat identification card. The
	Bobcat card is required to use all library services. Students are
	required to obtain a photo identification badge that must be worn
	during all clinical/laboratory experiences. This badge may be
	obtained at the Bobcat card office.
Physical/Technical	Students must meet Technical Standards each semester. Students
Standards	must be able to meet these Technical Standards prior to enrollment.
	Refer to SON MSN Course & Clinical Guidelines Policy #3003 and
	SON MSN Student Orientation and Onboarding #3002.
Authority for	Legal authority to practice professional nursing in the State of
Nursing Practice	Georgia is regulated by the Georgia Board of Nursing. The Georgia
	Registered Professional Nurse Practice Act permits students to
	perform the duties of a Registered Nurse (RN) as part of a formal
	program of study. This permission does NOT extend to activities
	outside of the scheduled laboratory experiences.

Course Specific Policies

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Communication with	
Course Faculty	
Class Attendance	Refer to SON Course & Clinical Guidelines Policy #3003.
Electronic Devices	All electronic devices should be on mute, silent, or off during class. Usage in class activities will be determined by the instructor. Electronic usage during clinical must comply with the agency's policy. Refer to SON MSN Course & Clinical Guidelines Policy #3003.
Course Testing	Refer to SON Online Testing Policy #3000.
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Clinical/Lab	Refer to SON MSN Course & Clinical Guidelines Policy #3003 and
Learning	SON MSN Dress Code Policy #3004.
Clinical/Lab	Attendance is required for all clinical and laboratory experiences.
Attendance Clinical/Laboratory	Refer to SON MSN Course & Clinical Guidelines Policy #3003.
Clinical/Laboratory Grade Determination	Clinical performance is evaluated using a Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory system. The student must earn a satisfactory grade for clinical experiences in order to pass the course. Students who do not earn a satisfactory rating for the clinical experience will receive an "F" for the course. Receiving 2 clinical unsatisfactory ratings will result in failure of the course. Refer to SON Course & Clinical Guidelines Policy #3003.
Unacceptable	Behaviors that will result in receiving a clinical "unsatisfactory"
Clinical Behaviors	include:
	No call, no show
	Arriving late to clinical
	Failing to make up an excused clinical absence
	Coming to clinical unprepared
	Not actively participating in clinical
	Neglecting to perform assigned nursing care to clients
	Failure to report own errors, or errors of other students which could cause potential client harm
	 Unauthorized or inappropriate use of cell phone during clinical
	 Use of social media to discuss anything related to clinical site or situation
	 Failure to treat agency staff, faculty and other students with respect and dignity
	Plagiarism in the completion of written clinical assignments
	 Other significant lapse in professional behavior
	 Any behavior defined as unprofessional conduct according to the Georgia Board of Nursing
	Not turning in written clinical assignments on time

 Violation of SON MSN dress code
Receiving 2 clinical unsatisfactory ratings will result in failure of the
course.