

Course Description

PRN0130C | Special Populations| 5.00 credits

This course examines the application of nursing to the care of special populations throughout the life cycle. Emphasis is placed on nursing care of clients with psychosocial disorders, childbearing women, newborns, and children to promote independence, wellness, and maximizing quality of life. Prerequisites: PRN0080C and PRN0204C (75 Contact Lecture hrs., 75 Contact Clinical hrs.)

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: Demonstrate how to care for maternal/newborn clients, utilizing nursing principles

Competency 2: Demonstrate how to care for pediatric clients, utilizing nursing principles

Competency 3: Describe human growth and development as it relates to pregnancy, pediatric, and mental health populations

Competency 4: Demonstrate how to provide bio- psycho-social support to clients and family members

Competency 5: Implement education and resources for client and family wellness

Competency 6: Participate in community health awareness forums

Competency 7: Collect baseline data on clients with selected childbearing women, pediatric, and mental health disorders

Competency 8: Assist in the development of evidence-based plans of care that demonstrates an appreciation of a client's cultural, spiritual, and developmental variations and includes recommendations for the adoption of health- promoting behaviors

Competency 9: Demonstrate clinical judgment when participating in the provision of care for childbearing women, pediatric, and mental health clients

Competency 10: Apply knowledge of pharmacology, psychopathology, and nutrition in the provision of care for childbearing women, pediatrics, and mental clients

Learning Outcomes:

- Solve problems using critical and creative thinking and scientific reasoning
- Formulate strategies to locate, evaluate, and apply information