

Course Syllabus

NOTE: This syllabus is subject to change during the semester. Please check this syllabus on a regular basis for any updates.

Department : Nursing- Vocational

Course Title : Mental Illness

Section Name : A9

Start Date : 06/04/2012

End Date : 08/10/2012

Modality : WEB-ENHANCED

Credits : 2

Instructor Information

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Course Description

Study of human behavior with emphasis on emotional and mental abnormalities and modes of treatment incorporating the nursing process. The student will identify common mental illnesses and maladaptive behavior; utilize the nursing process to assist in planning

care for the individual with mental illness maladaptive behavior; and discuss trends in the management of the individual requiring psychotherapeutic treatment and pharmacologic agents. Therapeutic communication is emphasized.

Prerequisites: VNSG 1219, VNSG 1406, VNSG 1407, VNSG 1361 and VNSG 1509

Corequisite: VNSG 1363

[Scans](#) 1, 2,3,4. 5, 6, 7,8, 9, 10, 11

Course Objectives

1. The student will identify common mental illnesses and maladaptive behavior; utilize the nursing process to assist in planning care for the individual with mental illness or maladaptive behavior.
2. The Student will identify trends in the management of the individual requiring psychotherapeutic treatment.

The student must be prompt in reporting for classroom. Tardiness, which is defined as being late in excess of fifteen minutes, is not professional and is an unacceptable practice. Absences are discouraged.

1. When a student is to be absent or late to class, she or he is to notify the instructor.
 2. The student is strongly encouraged to attend all classroom sessions. Please refer to the Absence and Tardiness policy. Absences in excess of this policy may result in the dismissal of the student from the program.
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Required Readings/Materials

You must purchase the following *required* reading/ materials:

1. Fundamentals of Mental Health Nursing, 2nd Edition; Neeb, Kathy, F.A. Davis Company, Philadelphia, 2001
2. Roach's Introductory Clinical Pharmacology, 9th Edition; Ford, Susan M, and Roach Sally, S.; Wolters Kluwer Health: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, 2010

Course Requirements (Lectures, Assignments and Assessments)

Acceptance of Late Assignments:

Projects or outside assignments are due at the beginning of class on the assigned due date. Missing assignments will not be accepted.



Missing an Exam:

Exams are defined as formally scheduled examinations covering a major portion of the course content and make up a 70 percent of the overall grade for a course. Every effort should be made by the student to be present for all exams. If it is necessary for a student to miss an exam, the instructor must be notified and the exam must be taken on the next class day the student is present. 10 points will be taken off of the grade as a penalty for taking the examination late. The instructor has the option to give the same exam or to make up another examination over the same content. If the exam is not made up within the first class day an additional 10 points will be taken off for each day the exam is not taken (including Saturday and Sunday).


Quizzes:

Daily work will include quizzes. If the student misses a quiz due to being absent, the student will not have the option to make-up the quiz. Zeros will be recorded and averaged in the final grade.

June 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	4 <i>Welcome Back!!</i> Mental Health Unit 1	5 Mental Health Unit 1	6 	7 Big Spring State Hospital Orientation 9-12	8	9
10	11 Mental Health Unit 1 Exam Mental Health Unit 2 Movie #1 Due	12 Mental Health Unit 2	13 Clinical Day Mental Health	14 Clinical Day Mental Health	15  <i>Relay for Life</i>	16
17	18 Mental Health Unit 2 Exam Mental Health Unit 3 PDS due Movie #2 Due	19 Mental Health Unit 3 ATI Due	20 Clinical Day Mental Health	21 Clinical Day Mental Health	22	23
24	25 Mental Health Unit 3 Exam Mental Health Unit 4 PDS Due Movie #3 Due	26 Summer Math Comp Test 1 Mental Health Unit 4	27 Clinical Day	28 Clinical Day	29	30

July 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Mental Health Unit 4 Exam Leadership Unit 1 JP Prep Course Access Movie #4 Due	3 Leadership Unit 1 Mental Health Unit 5	4 Happy 4 th of July! 	5 Clinical Day	6 No Class	7
8	9 MH Unit 5 Exam Leadership Unit 1 Exam Movie #5 due	10 Leadership Unit 2	11 Clinical Day	12 Clinical Day	13 No Class	14
15	16 Leadership Unit 2 Case Scenario 1 Due Movie #6 Due	17 Leadership Unit 2 Exam Leadership Unit 3	18 Clinical Day	19 Clinical Day	20 No Class	21
22	23 Leadership Unit 3 Exam Leadership Unit 4 Case Scenario 2 Due Movie #7 Due	24 Leadership Unit 4 Exam Case Scenario 3 Due	25 Clinical Day	26 Clinical Day	27 No Class	28
29	30 Jurisprudence Exam Case Scenario 4 & 5 Due	31	1	2	3 ATI Leadership Proctored Exam Mental Health Review	

ATI NCLEX LIVE REVIEW

❖ **\$25.00 For Jurisprudence Prep Course due on July 2, 2012**

August 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		31	1	2	3	4
		<i>ATI NCLEX LIVE REVIEW</i>			ATI Leadership Proctored Exam Mental Health Review Leadership Final Exam Review	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Leadership Final Exam Review Mental Health Final Exam Retake JP Exam	Leadership Final Exam	<i>Med Surg Final</i>	ATI Comprehensive Exam <i>Graduation Rehearsal</i>		 <i>Graduation Day!!</i>
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Grading Policy

1. A minimum grade of C is required In all nursing and allied health courses. Each component within a course must be completed with a C or above or the student will receive a failing grade. A student who fails to attain 75% on a unit examination must provide documentation of remediation by an approved tutor or student mentor. Arrangements must be made in conjunction with an instructor in the program.
2. A minimum grade of C must be maintained in the clinical area. This grade will be derived from the averages on nursing care plans, case studies, and all other written clinical assignments. Written work will be factored into the clinical nursing grade which is either 'Pass' or 'Fail.'
3. Any grade below 75% will be considered failing.
4. A report of grades will be distributed to each student at the completion of each semester.
5. A minimum grade of 90% is required on the math competency examination which is administered each semester. The student will have 3 opportunities to pass this examination. A student who does not successfully pass the examination on the first and second attempts will be required to show evidence of remediation with either an instructor or a student who has attained 95% or above on the examination. A student who is unable to pass the competency examination on the third opportunity will be dismissed from the program.

A = 90 to 100 B = 80 to 89 C = 75 to 79 D= 60 to 74 F = Below 60

Grading criteria are consistent throughout the nursing program at the Andrews campus. The following method of evaluation will be used in assigning course grades:

Tests.....	70%
Daily Work.....	20%
Leadership Project.....	10%

The Odessa College Student Success Coaches will help you stay focused and on track to complete your educational goals. If an instructor sees that you might need additional help or success coaching, he or she may submit a Retention Alert or a Starfish Alert. A Student Success Coach will contact you to work toward a solution.

Special Needs

Odessa College complies with Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you have any special needs or issues pertaining to your access to and participation in this or any other class at Odessa College, please feel free to contact me to discuss your concerns. You may also call the Office of Disability services at 432-335-6861 to request assistance and accommodations.

Learning Resource Center (Library)

The Library, known as the [Learning Resources Center](#), provides research assistance via the [LRC's catalog \(print books, videos, e-books\)](#) and [databases \(journal and magazine articles\)](#). [Research guides](#) covering specific subject areas, [tutorials](#), and the "[Ask a Librarian](#) " service provide additional help.

Student E-mail

Please access your [Odessa College Student E-mail](#), by following the link to either set up or update your account: <http://www.odessa.edu/gmail/>. **All assignments or correspondence will be submitted using your Odessa College email.**

Student Portal

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Technical Support

For Blackboard username and password help and for help accessing your online course availability and student email account contact the Student Success Center at 432-335-6878 or online at https://www.odessa.edu/dept/ssc/helpdesk_form.htm.

Important School Policies

For information regarding student support services, academic dishonesty, disciplinary actions, special accommodations, or student's and instructors' right to academic freedom can be found in the [Odessa College Student Handbook](#).