COURSE TITLE
Pharmacology

COURSE NUMBER
NUR 3307

CREDITS
Three semester credit hours (3-0-0)

PREREQUISITES
Chemistry 1407/Chemistry for the Health Professions; Nursing 2324/Pathophysiology

CO-REQUISITES
NUR 3410, NUR 3320

FACULTY
Jacqueline Brown, MS, PhD, RN

Jacqueline.brown@angelo.edu
Instructor office: Vincent 276
Instructor office phone number: 325-486-6864 (leave a message at this number and I will get the notification through my computer)
Instructor generally responds quickly to emails with same day guarantee (Monday –Friday). Instructor also checks emails in the evening Monday through Friday. Email responsiveness on weekends, usually in the evenings.

GENERAL INFORMATION
Lecture days/times:
Thursday/1-2:20 PM
Friday/ 8-10:50 AM
Office hours
Monday - Thursday 9:30-11:30
Or
Email to schedule alternate time

PRE-REQUISITE SKILLS
Accessing internet web sites, use of ASU Library resources, and proficiency with Microsoft Word and/or PowerPoint are an expectation of the Generic BSN program. Computer requirements are further delineated in the Department of Nursing Undergraduate Student Handbook. Tutorials for ASU Library and for Blackboard are available through RamPort. The ASU Nursing Program Undergraduate Student Handbook should be reviewed before taking this course (http://www.angelo.edu/dept/nursing/handbook/index.html).

COURSE DELIVERY
This is a face to face course.

COURSE DESCRIPTION
This course involves the study of pharmacologic principles, therapeutic uses of various drug categories relative pathophysiologic conditions, mechanisms of drug action, as well as recognition and management of adverse effects for the major classes of drugs. Success in this course hinges on recognizing the associated functions of various drug
categories relative the basic alteration in function warranting its use as well as how to manage patients using these drugs in order to maximize benefits and minimize adverse events.

**BSN PROGRAM OUTCOMES**

Upon completion of the course of BSN study, the graduate will be prepared to:

1. Integrate nursing and related theories into the planning and/or delivery of safe nursing care.
2. Engage leadership concepts, skills, and decision –making in the planning and/or implementation of patient safety and quality improvement initiatives.
3. Identify and appraise best research evidence to improve and promote quality patient outcomes.
4. Utilize technology to access information, to evaluate patient data, and/or document care.
5. Participate in political/legislative processes to influence healthcare policy.
6. Engage in effective collaboration and communication within interdisciplinary teams.
7. Design and/or implement health promotion and disease prevention strategies for culturally competent care.
8. Demonstrate standards of professional, ethical, and legal conduct.
9. Practice and/or coordinate, at the level of the baccalaureate prepared nurse, to plan and/or implement patient centered care.

**COURSE METHODS**

A variety of strategies may be employed to enhance skills in Pharmacology including a combination of classroom discussion, ATI modules to apply learning, and review of case studies. The primary method of instruction is through classroom discussion and will focus on making the connections between categories of drugs, their mechanism of action and the cellular alterations for which the drug is prescribed. Both individual work as well as group activity will be stressed.

**IDEA OBJECTIVES**

- Gaining a basic understanding of the subject (e.g., factual knowledge, methods, principles, generalizations, theories)
- learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving and decision)
- developing specific skills, competencies, and points of view needed by professionals in field most closely related to this course

**STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES**

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<td>Identify major categories of drugs including commonly used drugs within each category, mechanism of action, usual adult dosages, possible side effects, and adverse effects</td>
<td>Classroom discussion/review of concepts, case studies, Unit and Comprehensive final exams, ATI pharmacology tutorials, tests and ATI final exam</td>
<td>1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 9</td>
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<td>Define key pharmacologic terms</td>
<td>Classroom discussion/review of concepts, case studies, Unit and Comprehensive final exams, ATI pharmacology tutorials, tests and ATI final exam</td>
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<td>Recognize nursing implications of drug therapies.</td>
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<td>Demonstrate safe medication administration in simulated patient care situations.</td>
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<td>Demonstrate patient teaching strategies designed to maximize patient knowledge of drug action, promote safe self-administration, identify adverse effects, and identify when to call the prescriber.</td>
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<td>Explain the importance of assessing lifespan and cultural factors when considering pharmacologic interventions.</td>
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**REQUIRED TEXTS AND MATERIALS**

- Nurse’s Drug Handbook of your choice
- ATI Nursing Education online resources

**OTHER REQUIRED MATERIALS**

Computer with MAC or Windows operating system
High speed internet access
Webcam (Logitech highly recommended)
Logitech USB microphone headset
Refer to Angelo State University’s Distance Education website for further technology requirements: http://www.angelo.edu/distance_education/

**RECOMMENDED TEXTS**

Medical dictionary of your choice
Lab reference and diagnostic tests hand book of your choice
Any NCLEX review book of your choice
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<td>Chapters 1-11</td>
<td>Read chapters 1-5, 8-11</td>
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<td>- Core concepts in pharmacology</td>
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<td>- Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics</td>
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<td>Be prepared for classroom discussion</td>
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<td>- Preventing and responding to medication errors</td>
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<td>- Drug administration through life</td>
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<td>Chapter 12</td>
<td>Read before attending class chapters 12-13 and be prepared for</td>
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<td>- Anti-depressant medications</td>
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| Oct 19 | The Cardiovascular system and Urinary system  
- Anti-lipemic drugs  
- Diuretic drugs  
- Medications for electrolyte imbalances/acid base imbalances  
Chapters 23-26  
Read chapters 23-26 before attending class and be prepared for class discussion |
| Oct 20 | EXAM TWO/Covers chapters 14-22 |
| Oct 26 | Oct 27, Nov 2  
Finish The Cardiovascular system and Urinary system  
- Drugs for lipid disorders  
- Diuretic drugs  
- Medications for electrolyte imbalances/acid base imbalances  
The cardiovascular system continued  
- Drugs for hypertension  
- Drugs for heart failure  
- Drugs for angina pectoris and myocardial infarction  
- Drugs for Shock  
- Drugs for dysrhythmias  
Chapters 27-30  
ATI Module Cardiovascular system  
Read before attending class chapters 27-30 and be prepared for class discussion  
**ATI module due Nov 3, midnight** |
| Nov 3 | The Cardiovascular system and Urinary system  
- Anti-coagulation drugs  
- Drugs for hematopoietic disorders  
Chapters 31-32  
ATI Module Hematologic System  
Read before attending class chapters 31-32 and be prepared for class discussion  
**ATI module due Nov 10, midnight** |
| Nov 9 | EXAM THREE /Covers chapters 23-32  
The Immune System  
- Drugs for Inflammation and Fever/other-general topics  
Chapters 33, 39-40  
Reference chapters for overview: 34-38(will explain in class)  
ATI 3 Modules/3 quizzes  
The Immune system  
Pain and Inflammation  
Read before attending class chapters 33, 39-40 and be prepared for class discussion  
**ATI module/quiz-** |
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<td><strong>The Gastrointestinal System</strong>&lt;br&gt;- Drugs for peptic ulcer disease&lt;br&gt;- Drugs for bowel disorders&lt;br&gt;- Anti-emetics&lt;br&gt;Drugs for nutritional disorders</td>
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<td><strong>The Endocrine System</strong>&lt;br&gt;- Drugs for pituitary, thyroid, and adrenal disorders&lt;br&gt;- Drugs for Diabetes mellitus</td>
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<td>Dec 7, 8</td>
<td><strong>The Endocrine System</strong>&lt;br&gt;- Drugs for female reproductive conditions&lt;br&gt;- Drugs for male reproductive conditions</td>
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<td><strong>ATI Final Exam Rass 117/1:30 to 3:30 PM</strong></td>
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**ATI Modules/quiz**

- **Gastrointestinal system**
  - Read chapter 41-43 before attending class and be prepared for class discussion.
- **The Endocrine system**
  - Read chapters 44-45 before attending class and be prepared for class discussion.
- **Reproductive/genitourinary system**
  - Read chapters 46-47 before attending class and be prepared for class discussion.
POLICIES RELATED TO THIS COURSE

All students are required to follow the policies and procedures presented in the Angelo State University Undergraduate Nursing Handbook, located on the Nursing website http://www.angelo.edu/dept/nursing/handbook/index.html

GRADING SYSTEM

Course grades will be dependent upon meeting the learning objectives and completing activities of the course. Evaluation of student comprehension and application of learned concepts will take the form of examinations that include both multiple choice and short answer questions, participation in the ATI learning system and application of learning towards the solution of pharmacologic based case studies (individual and/or group activity).

Final grades will be recorded as earned with no rounding of scores, according to policy set forth by the Nursing department and which is contained in the Nursing Student Handbook. Extra credit work will not be allowed.

A= 90-100
B= 80-89.99
C= 70-79.99
D= 60-69.99
F= 0-59.99

EVALUATION AND GRADES

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<td>ATI end of semester exam grade plus 2 practice tests</td>
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<td>ATI modules and quizzes</td>
<td>5% **</td>
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<td>Case Studies/other assignments/quizzes</td>
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<td>Unit Exams (3)-15% each</td>
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*ATI end of semester exam grade two practice tests (the practice tests are not weighted but required in order to get credit for the ATI final exam)

There are two practice tests for the Pharmacology end of semester ATI exam. To get full credit for 5% of the weighted grade, each student must complete two practice tests and a minimum of 85% must be attained on each of these. Two attempts per each practice test will be allowed. It will be up to the student to perform remediation if 85% is not achieved on the first attempt.

These will be scheduled at different points of the semester and should be used by the student to gauge individual progress. These exams can be completed using personal computers.

The end of course ATI exam represents the cumulative knowledge gained throughout the semester. This exam will be proctored through the VIN testing center. This will figure into the weighted average described above using the following criteria:

Remember student earned grade for the end of course ATI exam is only possible if the two practice tests were completed.
Earned level 3= a grade of 100 will be recorded and will make up 5% of the final grade
Earned level 2= a grade of 85 will be recorded and will make up 5% of the final grade
Earned level 1= a grade of 70 will be recorded and will make up 5% of the final grade
Below level 1= a grade of 55 will be recorded and will make up 6% of the final grade

**ATI Modules and Quizzes**

Each module assigned count toward the final course grade. ATI modules when assigned include two parts with one part being a tutorial followed by the second part, a quiz. The modules as well as the module quizzes can be completed on personal computers. Here are the criteria that must be adhered to:

1. Students must demonstrate a presence in the tutorial in order to get full credit for the combined module/quiz. In other words a student must work through the tutorial before taking the quiz. There is no minimum time to remain in the tutorial, but student presence in the tutorial is tracked.
2. Students must make a minimum of 85% on a quiz in order to use the grade towards the weighted average. A student will have two attempts to bring the grade to a minimum of 85%. It is important that the student realizes that due diligence to the tutorial will help attain the 85% quiz grade, this being true for first attempts as well as second attempts.
3. If a student fails to achieve 85% on either attempt, an assignment designed to remediate the student on the topics of the ATI module will be implemented.

**BROWSER COMPATIBILITY CHECK**

It is the student’s responsibility to ensure that the browser used to access course material on his/her computer is compatible with ASU’s Blackboard Learning System. The faculty reserve the right to deny additional access to course assignments lost due to compatibility issues. Students are responsible for reviewing the guidelines posted in this course regarding accessing Blackboard assignments. Problems in this area need to be discussed with faculty at the time of occurrence, either via a phone call (preferred) during posted acceptable hours for calling, or via email notification during times outside those posted for calls.

Be sure to perform a browser test. Select the “Technology Support” tab from the Blackboard homepage (http://www.blackboard.angelo.edu). Then select “Test your Browser” option located under the Browser Test header.

Please see computer requirements for BSN classes at this link:

http://www.angelo.edu/dept/nursing/student_resources/computer_requirements.php

**TESTING**

Three unit exams and the comprehensive final exam for this course will be given either in the VIN computer testing center or by Scantron. Any exam given in the VIN computer testing center will involve adherence to all testing center rules. Any exam given in the classroom using paper and pencil will involve adherence to testing center rules. No cell phones or other personal belongings will be allowed in the vicinity of testing. Cell phones must be handed to the instructor if permission is granted to leave the testing area to go to the restroom.

The ATI pharmacology content exam will be computer based and given in the VIN computer testing center or alternate proctored environment. All exams in this course are mandatory.
POLICY ON EXAM SCHEDULE/REVIEWS

Make up exams are difficult to schedule. If you must be absent from an exam due to illness, personal emergency etc, you must notify me before test start time. Any make up exam that is deemed appropriate to administer on an alternate date may take an alternate format. It is strongly encouraged that students make every attempt to take the exam on the date it is scheduled. Again, communication with me is essential and this communication cannot take place at a time after the exam has already taken place. I will consider failure to notify instructor prior to test time as understanding that a grade of 0 will be entered into the grade center.

When an exam is allowed for makeup purpose, it will be scheduled at the instructor’s convenience. The instructor will make every attempt to re-schedule a time that works well for the student. However if there are more than one student in this situation, both students will be scheduled at the same time/date.

Please know that I understand that situations happen that make attendance problematic. I need up front communication to make adjustments/accommodations for students. In the absence of advance communication notifying me of situations affecting attendance, make up work will not be allowed and for exams that are missed, I will consider the situation as complete and will enter a grade of 0.

Review is an important part of the learning process. The review for the first three exams will take place on a date that follows the completion of the exam by all students and will be announced. This is the only review that will be allowed. Once a review is completed, the test will not be reviewed again nor will I make time to review an exam on an individual basis. When a review is being conducted, regardless of the location of that review, testing rules will be adhered to. In short, phones and other personal belongings must be stored as directed by rules of the testing center or as instructor requests.

The final exam will not be made available for review per departmental policy.

Additional Information

If a student, at any point in time, finds themselves struggling for any manner of reason, ie academic, personal etc, it is highly encouraged to consider your professor a resource who is willing and able to provide assistance. If this situation happens, it is important to discuss the issue as soon as it is apparent so that appropriate intervention can be undertaken. It will be taken as student understanding, upon signing of documentation in blackboard (initial orientation) that the use of such circumstances at the end of the semester to explain failure to perform academically is not appropriate. This course operates on an open-door policy and the professor encourages students to seek assistance. If the student is not comfortable seeking this guidance/assistance from the course professor, the student should seek this guidance/assistance from another faculty member.

The professor for this course often offers avenues for extra points on exams. The number of points varies and depends on overall student performance. The points are designed to earn extra points based on knowledge/understanding of course topic relevant materials. The manner in which these points are offered and awarded is solely on the discretion of the professor. Furthermore, there may be additional assignment that would be considered optional and not mandatory. These may be worth points on
an exam. Again, these may be optional. The professor wishes to convey to students that in the event a student elects to not participate in the optional assignments it will be considered inappropriate for the student to use the voluntary omission of participation as the reason for not passing an exam or as being the cause of failure in the course.

General Policies Related to the Course:
All students are required to follow the policies and procedures presented in the following documents:
- Angelo State University Student Handbook located on the ASU website: http://www.angelo.edu/student-handbook/
- ASU Nursing Program Undergraduate Student Handbook, located on the Nursing website http://www.angelo.edu/dept/nursing/handbook/index.html

Important University Dates
January 17th: Spring classes officially begin
March 13-17th: Spring Break
March 31st: Last day to drop a class or withdraw from the University for Spring Semester
April 14th: Holiday-No Class
May 8-12th: Final Exams Week

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY & ATTENDANCE
In order to complete this course successfully, you do have to participate in all course activities, including assignments, discussions in class, quizzes, exams and projects. Students are expected to engage in course activities and submit work by due dates and times.

Homework policy: All work must be turned in on the specified due date. Most of the time the homework will be submitted to assignment links in blackboard. I will announce through blackboard any deviation from this practice. Homework is assigned well in advance of a due date. Since most of the assignments are submitted through blackboard there should be very few reasons that justify late submissions.

Late homework policy: For every class day that an assignment is late, 20 points will be deducted from earned grade.

Missing assignments due to absence:
If you must miss class, please email instructor in advance of class that will be missed. If email is received, any work that was missed can be made up. However it is the student’s responsibility to stay on top of missed work, not the instructor. Additionally, for planning purposes, this class will probably require a minimum of 3-6 study hours per week on average.

COMMUNICATION
Faculty will respond to email and/or telephone messages within 24 hours during working hours Monday through Friday. I check emails weekends as well, and am usually on the computer Saturday and Sunday evenings. If you have emailed me Saturday or Sunday sometime, you can expect a response sometime in the evening either day.
Written communication via email: All private communication will be done exclusively through your ASU email address. Check frequently for announcements and policy changes.

Instructor communicates exclusively through blackboard email and announcements outside of face to face classroom communication. Instructor also follows up in announcement format to all students reminders of due dates, assignments, etc.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY
Academic honesty is expected on all work. Students are expected to maintain complete honesty and integrity in their educational experiences. Any student found guilty of any form of dishonesty in academic work is subject of disciplinary action and possible expulsion from ASU. All codes and policies are set forth in the University Student Handbook of Angelo State University https://www.angelo.edu/student-handbook/ as well as the Department of Nursing Undergraduate Student Handbook https://www.angelo.edu/dept/nursing/handbook/index.html.

PLAGIARISM
Plagiarism at ASU is a serious topic. The Angelo State University’s Honor Code gives specific details on plagiarism and what it encompasses. Plagiarism is the action or practice of taking someone else's work, idea, etc., and passing it off as one's own. Plagiarism is literary theft.

In your discussions and/or your papers, it is unacceptable to copy word for word without quotation marks and the source of the quotation. We use the APA Style Manual of the American Psychological Association as a guide for all writing assignments. Quotes should be used sparingly. It is expected that you will summarize or paraphrase ideas giving appropriate credit to the source both in the body of your paper and the reference list. Papers are subject to be evaluated for originality via Bb Safe Assignment or Turnitin. Resources to help you understand this policy better are available at the ASU Writing Center http://www.angelo.edu/dept/writing_center/academic_honesty.php.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS REQUEST
“Angelo State University is committed to the principle that no qualified individual with a disability shall, on the basis of disability, be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefits of the services, programs, or activities of the university, or be subjected to discrimination by the university, as provided by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008 (ADAAA), and subsequent legislation.”

Students with disabilities must contact the Student Life and Student Services Office to request any necessary academic accommodations. This student request should be made early in the semester to allow time for appropriate arrangements. The request must be repeated every semester accommodations are needed. For more information on DISABILITY ACCOMMODATIONS, contact the Student Life Office at 942-2191 or student.life@angelo.edu.

Students with a disability who request reasonable accommodations must meet with the Student Life Program Director within the first week of classes. Reasonable accommodations will be provided as authorized by the Office of Student Life as long as course requirements are not compromised. Faculty will provide no accommodations without authorization from the offices of Student Life. Students are responsible for obtaining appropriate documentation, such as from a health care provider to support the need for the accommodation. It is the student’s responsibility to be a self-advocate when requesting accommodations. A request must be submitted every semester you will be needing accommodations.

INCOMPLETE GRADE POLICY (OP 10.11 Grading Procedures)
It is policy that incomplete grades be reserved for student illness or personal misfortune. Please contact faculty if you have serious illness or a personal misfortune that would keep you from completing course work. Documentation may be required.

**STUDENT ABSENCE FOR OBSERVANCE OF RELIGIOUS HOLY DAYS**
1. “A student who intends to observe a religious holy day should make that intention known in writing to the instructor prior to the absence.” Please see ASU Operating Policy 10.19.

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The faculty member reserves the option to make changes as necessary to this syllabus and the course content. If changes become necessary during this course, the faculty will notify students of such changes by email, course announcements and/or via a discussion board announcement. It is the student’s responsibility to look for such communications about the course on a daily basis.

**WEBLINKS:**
Board of Nursing for the State of Texas [http://www.bne.state.tx.us/](http://www.bne.state.tx.us/)
BSN Student Resources [http://www.angelo.edu/dept/nursing/student_resources/](http://www.angelo.edu/dept/nursing/student_resources/)