NUR 3414
FUNDAMENTALS OF NURSING
FALL SEMESTER 2020

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Course Information

Course Description
Presents foundational principles of ethics, laws, regulations, professionalism, documentation, communication, quality, safety, and evidence-based care in nursing practice. Using standards of care, students learn strategies to optimize health outcomes, including therapeutic interventions and interpersonal and interdisciplinary communication.

Course Credits
Three Semester Credit Hours (4-0-0)

Prerequisite and Co-requisite Courses
Nursing 3214 Fundamentals of Nursing Practicum

Nursing 3317 Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing: Theoretical Foundations

Prerequisite 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 and all students are required to have access to a dependable computer with a reliable Internet Service Provider. 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).
BSN Program Outcomes
Upon completion of the program of study for the Generic BSN, 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; 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 & 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.

Student Learning Outcomes

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<td>1. Describe patient care and nursing implications of selected pathophysiologic findings in adults with health problems.</td>
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<td>2. Explain the role of effective communication with the patient, family, and health care team in ensuring safe, effective care.</td>
<td>Unit Exams, Comprehensive Final Exam, Developing Relationships Activity; in-class Case Studies</td>
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<td>3. Relate how the nursing process, critical thinking, ethical principles and legal standards promote health and reduce risk in patients</td>
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By completing all course requirements, students will be able to:

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<td>4. Discuss strategies for using information technology to plan care that is evidence-based, culturally appropriate and patient-centered.</td>
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<td>5. Describe advocacy and quality improvement strategies to implement change aimed at enhancing effectiveness, safety and quality of care.</td>
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### Course Delivery

This is a hybrid class, face-to-face delivery course that meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays 09:00 – 10:50 while those not in class will meet remotely via collaborate simultaneously. **If you are a Monday clinical group, you will attend face to face on Tuesday. If you are a Wednesday clinical group, you will attend face-to-face on Thursday.** If you would prefer to attend online for the semester in the place of hybrid, I will need to know in advance and you will need to sign a waiver. **There cannot be more than 25 students in room 110 and all students are required to wear a face mask.** Enter through the appropriate door labeled “Enter” and exit through the appropriate door labeled “Exit”. **Maintain social distancing of 6 feet at all times.** This course utilizes blackboard to post announcements and course documents. This course utilizes blackboard to post announcements and course documents. Blackboard can be accessed at [Blackboard](https://moodle.angelo.edu).

### Required Texts and Materials


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- Medical dictionary of your choice
- Nurse's Drug Handbook of your choice
- Lab reference and diagnostic tests handbook of your choice
- Any NCLEX review book of your choice
Browser/Technology 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 via email notification and/or in person.

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

There is always the possibility that ASU will have to change didactic courses to be delivered and tested all online as the semester progresses. It is the student's responsibility to be technologically prepared with needed equipment to meet the objectives of the course.

Topic Outline

Introduction to Nursing; Evidence-Based Practice
Health Care Delivery Systems; Health Promotion; Wellness & Illness Prevention
Ethics & Values; Legal Implications in Nursing Practice
Documentation & Informatics
Critical Thinking; Nursing Process
Cultural Awareness; Sexuality; LGBTQ Competency in Healthcare
Communication; Patient Education
Managing Patient Care & Delegation; Infection Prevention & Control
Multi-drug Resistant Infectious Disorders
Palliative Care & Comfort; Pain Management; Musculoskeletal Trauma
Mobility/Immobility; Activity & Exercise
Sleep; Nutrition; Patient Safety
Skin Integrity & Wound Care
Oxygenation & Elimination

Communication

Faculty will respond to email within 24 hours during working hours Monday through Friday. Weekend messages may not be returned until Monday.

Written communication via email: All private communication will be done exclusively through your ASU email address. Check frequently for announcements and policy changes. In your emails to faculty, include the course name and section number in your subject line.

Office hours are also appropriate for dialogue and appointments may be made with the instructor.
Grading

Evaluation and Grades
Course grades will be determined as indicated in the table below.

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Grading System
Course grades will be dependent upon completing course requirements and meeting the student learning outcomes.

The following grading scale is in use for this course, NUR 3414:

- A = 90.00-100 points
- B = 80.00-89.99 points
- C = 70.00-79.99 points
- D = 60.00-69.99 points
- F = 0-59.99 points or below
(Grades are not rounded up)

STUDENT CONFERENCES WITH INSTRUCTORS ARE REQUIRED
When an examination grade is below 75% and/or when course average is below 75%.

Note: Students must successfully complete NUR 3414 & NUR 3214 simultaneously to receive credit in either course. NUR 3414 must be successfully completed to progress. All grades to include final course grade, assignments, and exams are not rounded up to the nearest whole number.
Teaching Strategies and Methods

- Class lecture and discussion
- Class activities, case studies, and interactions
- NCLEX practice questions
- Assigned readings
- Tests

Students are expected to be “active learners.” It is a basic assumption of the instructor that students will be involved (beyond the materials and lectures presented in the course) discovering, processing, and applying the course information using peer-review journal articles, researching additional information and examples on the Internet, and discussing course material and clinical experiences with their peers.

Assignment and Activity Descriptions

*Please note: Rubrics for all assignments and activities are located at the end of this syllabus.

**ATI NurseLogic Assignment**
This assignment is the Testing and Remediation module in ATI. This module will introduce you to the testing format used in the program. It teaches you how to prepare for tests, critically read test items, test-taking strategies, setting priority frameworks, and using the different test item formats used on NCLEX. This module is to be done at your own pace and is due on Thursday, September 3, 2020. It will count three percent of your overall course grade. Please see activity instruction and grading rubric for detail.

**ATI Critical Thinking Proctored Assessment**
This assessment measures 6 cognitive skills associated with critical thinking. Critical thinking is essential in the nursing profession as it is the ability to problem solve and analyze situations which are everyday demands in the nursing profession. This assessment is given to students at the beginning of the program and at the end of the program. The student will be taking the entrance critical thinking assessment which will measure the 6 cognitive skills associated with critical thinking. The end result of the assessment is to provide the student with a guide on the cognitive skills that they need to strengthen and work on in order to develop and perfect their critical thinking ability as they go through the nursing program. This assessment is a 40 item assessment. It will be given in a proctored environment in the Archer College testing center later in the semester. The assessment is mandatory and any student who fails to take it will be given an “Incomplete” until he/she completes it.

Performance on this exam will count five percent of the final course grade.

Below is a table that represents your assignment grade for this assessment based on your individual score % achieved on the proctored assessment.
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**Assignment Submission**

All assignments MUST be submitted through the Assignments link in the Blackboard site. This is for grading, documenting, and archiving purposes. Issues with technology use arise from time to time. If a technology issue does occur regarding an assignment submission, email me at adrienna.gonzalez@angelo.edu and attach a copy of what you are trying to submit. Please contact the IT Service Center at (325) 942-2911 or go to your Technology Support tab to report the issue. This lets your faculty know you completed the assignment on time and are just having problems with the online submission feature in Blackboard. Once the problem is resolved, submit your assignment through the appropriate link. This process will document the problem and establish a timeline. Be sure to keep a backup of all work.

**Late Work or Missed Assignments Policy**

The course is set up on weekly modules. The week begins on Monday and ends on Sunday. Assignment due dates are shown on the calendar/schedule or posted within Blackboard. Late assignments are not accepted without prior approval of faculty. Faculty reserve the right to deduct points for late assignments that are accepted past the original due date.
EXAMS/SCANTRONS

The three unit exams and the comprehensive final exam for this course will be pencil and paper and scored using a scantron form. Scantron forms will be provided for you. You will need to bring a pencil to the unit and final exams. All exams will be given in a proctored environment. The three unit exams and the final comprehensive exams are scheduled on the lecture day during the assigned class time and place. If you have chosen to attend this course completely online, an alternate exam will be provided and proctored online. However, if you have chosen to attend as a hybrid course, all exams will be offered on-campus. There will be no lecture after these examinations.

POLICY ON EXAM REVIEWS

Exam reviews will be provided for exam 1, 2, and 3 only. The final exam will not be reviewed. Exam reviews will be held within one week after the respective exam has been completed by all students. The time, duration, place, and day of the review is determined by the course instructor. During exam reviews, all students must leave all personal belongings at the door. The student will be required to sign-in at the door of the exam review. The student will be allowed to review every question, option, and correct answer on the respective exam. Exam reviews are meant to provide students the opportunity to review exam content only and are not to offer time to debate correct answers or be a personal tutor session. There will be faculty present to answer questions during the exam review. Once a student has completed an exam review, no request to review that same exam will be granted for the course of the semester.

*The instructor reserves the right to make additional changes to exam reviews to reflect the needs of the respective class. Exam reviews may not be feasible at all as the semester progresses due to social distancing policies and room availability.

General Policies Related to This Course

All students are required to follow the policies and procedures presented in these documents:

- Angelo State University Student Handbook²
- Angelo State University Catalog³
- Undergraduate Nursing Student Handbook⁴

Important University Dates

August 17th = First Day Semester  
September 7th = University Holiday, Labor Day  
November 23rd – November 24th = Final Exams  
November 24th = Last Day of Fall Semester  
November 25th – November 27th = Thanksgiving Holiday
December 12th = Fall 2020 Commencement Ceremony

Student Responsibility and Attendance
Class attendance is necessary and required for successful and satisfactory completion of all course objectives; therefore, students must attend all course sessions, whether online or face-to-face. If a situation arises that prevents the student from attending, he or she should contact the instructor prior to the start of class. According to the undergraduate handbook, a week’s worth of cumulative absences in any one course will result in faculty evaluation of the student’s ability to meet course objectives and may result in failure of the course. Three tardies (over 5 minutes late for lecture, campus laboratory, or clinical) will equal 1 hour of absence. Failure to meet these requirements hinders the student’s ability to complete the course. Attendance will be checked for each lecture for both online or face-to-face.

Policy on Missed Exams/Quizzes/Assignments
There will be no makeup exams or assignments. For serious personal illness or serious immediate familial misfortune, inform the instructor. You must take the final exam on the assigned day; it is not possible to makeup. You will fail the class if you miss the final exam.

Student Absence for Observance of Religious Holy Days
A student who intends to observe a religious holy day should make that intention known in writing to the instructor prior to the absence. See ASU Operating Policy 10.19 Student Absence for Observance of Religious Holy Day for more information.

Academic Integrity
Students are expected to maintain complete honesty and integrity in all work. Any student found guilty of any form of dishonesty in academic work is subject of disciplinary action and possible expulsion from ASU.

The College of Health and Human Services adheres to the university’s Statement of Academic Integrity.

Plagiarism
Plagiarism is a serious topic covered in ASU’s Academic Integrity policy in the Student Handbook. 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. 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.

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.

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.

Papers are subject to be evaluated for originality. Resources to help you understand this policy better are available at the ASU Writing Center.

Social Media Policy

“The Angelo State University Nursing Program supports the use of social media in personal/non-academic or non-professional contexts.” Nursing students are expected to engage in professional behavior during didactic/lecture sessions. This professional behavior excludes engaging in social networking (blogs, Twitter, Facebook, texting, surfing the internet, etc.) during lecture time. Any student caught during lecture time engaging in social media, not otherwise authorized by the instructor, will be asked to leave the class and will receive an unexcused absence for that lecture time. It is acceptable to engage in social networking before class, during lecture time breaks and after class time. Please refer to the Department of Nursing Undergraduate Student Handbook, on the Nursing website, for further clarification of expected professional behavior related to social networking.

Nursing students are expected to behave professionally inside and outside of the classroom. Nursing students are not to display or engage in unprofessional behavior on social media that could negatively reflect upon the nursing program or Angelo State University.

Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

ASU 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 of 2008 (ADAAA) and subsequent legislation.
Student Disability Services is located in the Office of Student Affairs, and is the designated campus department charged with the responsibility of reviewing and authorizing requests for reasonable accommodations based on a disability. It is the student’s responsibility to initiate such a request by contacting an employee of the Office of Student Affairs, in the Houston Harte University Center, Room 112, or contacting the department via email at ADA@angelo.edu. For more information about the application process and requirements, visit the Student Disability Services website. The employee charged with the responsibility of reviewing and authorizing accommodation requests is:

Dallas Swafford  
Director of Student Disability Services  
Office of Student Affairs  
325-942-2047  
dallas.swafford@angelo.edu  
Houston Harte University Center, Room 112

**Incomplete Grade Policy**

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. See ASU Operating Policy 10.11 Grading Procedures for more information.

**Copyright Policy**

Students officially enrolled in this course should make only one printed copy of the given articles and/or chapters. You are expressly prohibited from distributing or reproducing any portion of course readings in printed or electronic form without written permission from the copyright holders or publishers.

**Syllabus Changes**

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.

**Nursing Weblinks**

- [Board of Nursing for the State of Texas](#)  
- [BSN Student Resources](#)
Title IX at Angelo State University

Angelo State University is committed to providing and strengthening an educational, working, and living environment where students, faculty, staff, and visitors are free from sex discrimination of any kind. In accordance with Title VII, Title IX, the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), the Campus Sexual Violence Elimination Act (SaVE), and other federal and state laws, the University prohibits discrimination based on sex, which includes pregnancy, and other types of Sexual Misconduct. Sexual Misconduct is a broad term encompassing all forms of gender-based harassment or discrimination and unwelcome behavior of a sexual nature. The term includes sexual harassment, nonconsensual sexual contact, nonconsensual sexual intercourse, sexual assault, sexual exploitation, stalking, public indecency, interpersonal violence (domestic violence or dating violence), sexual violence, and any other misconduct based on sex.

You are encouraged to report any incidents involving sexual misconduct to the Office of Title IX Compliance and the Director of Title IX Compliance/Title IX Coordinator, Michelle Boone, J.D. You may submit reports in the following manner:

Online: www.angelo.edu/incident-form
Face to face: Mayer Administration Building, Room 210
Phone: 325-942-2022
Email: michelle.boone@angelo.edu

Note, as a faculty member at Angelo State, I am a mandatory reporter and must report incidents involving sexual misconduct to the Title IX Coordinator. Should you wish to speak to someone in confidence about an issue, you may contact the University Counseling Center (325-942-2371), the 24-Hour Crisis Helpline (325-486-6345), or the University Health Clinic (325-942-2171).

For more information about resources related to sexual misconduct, Title IX, or Angelo State’s policy please visit: www.angelo.edu/title-ix.

Course Syllabus Statement on Required Use of Masks/Facial Coverings by Students in Class At Angelo State University

As a member of the Texas Tech University System, Angelo State University has adopted the mandatory Facial Covering Policy to ensure a safe and healthy classroom experience. Current research on the COVID-19 virus suggests there is a significant reduction in the potential for transmission of the virus from person to person by wearing a mask/facial covering that covers the nose and mouth areas. Therefore, in compliance with the university policy students in this
class are required to wear a mask/facial covering before, during, and after class. Faculty members may also ask you to display your daily screening badge as a prerequisite to enter the classroom. You are also asked to maintain safe distancing practices to the best of your ability. For the safety of everyone, any student not appropriately wearing a mask/facial covering will be asked to leave the classroom immediately. The student will be responsible to make up any missed class content or work. Continued non-compliance with the Texas Tech University System Policy may result in disciplinary action through the Office of Student Conduct. For NUR 3414, masks/facial coverings must be a solid black, blue, or white. The only verbiage, symbols, and/or images allowed on masks/facial coverings will be those that tribute to Angelo State University (Ex. The ASU logo). If a student’s mask/facial covering falls outside of this criteria, faculty reserve the right to ask the student to leave and return with an appropriate mask/facial covering. If asked to leave due to an inappropriate mask, this will count as an unexcused absence and the student will be responsible to make up any missed class content or work.

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August 18, 2020  
August 20, 2020  
Introduction to Nursing  
Evidence-Based Practice |
| WEEK 2          | Healthcare Delivery Systems  
August 25, 2020  
August 27, 2020  
Health Promotion, Wellness and Illness Prevention |
| WEEK 3          | Ethics and Values  
September 1, 2020  
September 3, 2020  
Legal Implications and Nursing Practice  
*NurseLogic 2.0 Assignment Due by 1700 (5:00 p.m.) September 3, 2020 |
| WEEK 4          | Documentation and Informatics  
September 8, 2020  
September 10, 2020 – Exam 1  
*Exam 1 – September 10, 2020 |
| WEEK 5          | Critical Thinking  
September 15, 2020  
September 17, 2020  
Nursing Process |
| WEEK 6          | Cultural Awareness  
September 22, 2020  
September 24, 2020  
Sexuality  
LGBTQ Competency in Healthcare |
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October 1, 2020  
Patient Education |
| WEEK 8         | Managing Patient Care and Delegation  
October 8, 2020 – Exam II  
*Exam II – October 8, 2020 |
| WEEK 9         | Infection Prevention and Control  
October 15, 2020  
Multidrug Resistant Infectious Disorders |
| WEEK 10        | Palliative Care and Comfort  
October 22, 2020  
Pain Management  
Musculoskeletal Trauma |
| WEEK 11        | Mobility and Immobility  
October 29, 2020  
Activity and Exercise |
| WEEK 12        | Sleep  
November 5 – Exam III  
*Exam III – November 5, 2020 |
| WEEK 13        | Patient Safety *(Online Recorded Lecture)*  
November 5, 2020  
Nutrition *(Online Recorded Lecture)*  
Skin Integrity and Wound care  
*ATI Proctored Critical Thinking Exam – HHS Testing Center |
| WEEK 14        | Oxygenation  
November 19, 2020  
Elimination  
November 20, 2020 (Optional Review)  
*November 20, 2020, at 1800-2000 - Optional Pre-Final Exam Review via Online Collaborate Session |
| WEEK 15        | *FINAL EXAM – Tuesday, November 24, 2020, at 0800-1000 |
Student Evaluation of Faculty and Course

Students in all programs are given the opportunity to evaluate their courses and the faculty who teach them. Evaluations are most helpful when they are honest, fair, constructive, and pertinent to the class, clinical experience, or course. Faculty value student evaluations, and use student suggestions in making modifications in courses, labs and clinical experiences.

Angelo State University uses the IDEA (Individual Development and Educational Assessment) system administered through Kansas State University for all course evaluations. The Office of Institutional Research and Assessment administers IDEA for the entire university, online and has established a policy whereby students can complete course evaluations free from coercion.

Areas of evaluation include:

1. Gain factual knowledge (terminology, classifications, methods, trends)
2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories
3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)
4. Developing skill in expressing oneself orally or in writing
5. Learning to find and use resources for answering questions or solving problems

*****End of Syllabus*****

1 https://blackboard.angelo.edu
2 https://www.angelo.edu/student-handbook/
3 https://www.angelo.edu/catalogs/
4 https://www.angelo.edu/dept/nursing/handbook/index.php
5 https://www.angelo.edu/content/files/14206-op-1019-student-absence-for-observance-of
6 https://www.angelo.edu/student-handbook/community-policies/academic-integrity.php
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8 https://www.angelo.edu/dept/writing_center/academic_honesty.php
9 https://www.angelo.edu/services/disability-services/
10 https://www.angelo.edu/content/files/14197-op-1011-grading-procedures
11 https://www.bon.texas.gov/
12 https://www.angelo.edu/dept/nursing/student_resources/undergrad_info.php