Nursing 102: Introduction to Nursing

Course Syllabus: Fall 2021

*Syllabus can be updated at any time per faculty, notification will be sent to students as updates occur.

Course Credit: 3 hours
Prerequisites: ENG 100 or with permission of instructor or advisor
Location: **This is an online course.**

Course Description: Introduction to the nursing experience. Topics include nursing history, current trends, nursing in the health care delivery system, professional responsibilities, education options, professional organizations, certification and licensure needs.

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Colonnade Explorations Learning Outcomes:

Upon completion of this course, you will be able to:

1. Demonstrate knowledge of at least one area of the social and behavioral sciences.

2. Apply knowledge, theories, and research methods, including ethical conduct, to analyze problems pertinent to at least one area of the social and behavioral sciences.
3. Understand and demonstrate how at least one area of the social and behavioral sciences conceptualizes diversity and the way it shapes the human experience.
4. Integrate knowledge of at least one area of the social and behavioral sciences into issues of personal and public importance:
5. Communication effectively using the language and terminology germane to at least one area of the social and behavioral sciences.

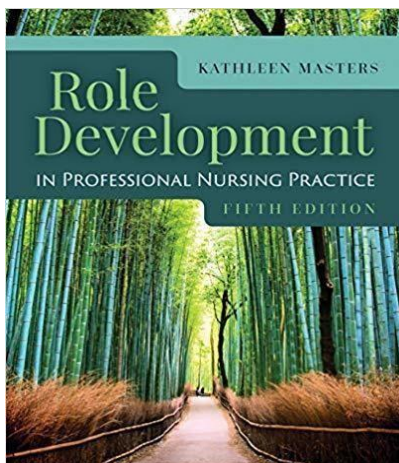**NURS 102 Course Objectives:**

Upon completion of this course, you will be able to:
1. Discuss the historical foundations and scope of nursing practice.
2. Identify current trends and issues related to the profession of nursing.
3. Analyze the differences in educational levels and roles in nursing practice.
4. Examine the US health care and nursing education systems.
5. Discuss the nursing code of ethics and standards of care of professional nursing.
6. Describe expectations of entry into the Bachelor of Science nursing program.
7. Identify the roles of the nursing student in the Bachelor of Science nursing program.
8. Understand study skills, necessary for success in a nursing program.

Course Materials:

Required Text: *Role Development in Professional Nursing Practice*- 5th Edition.
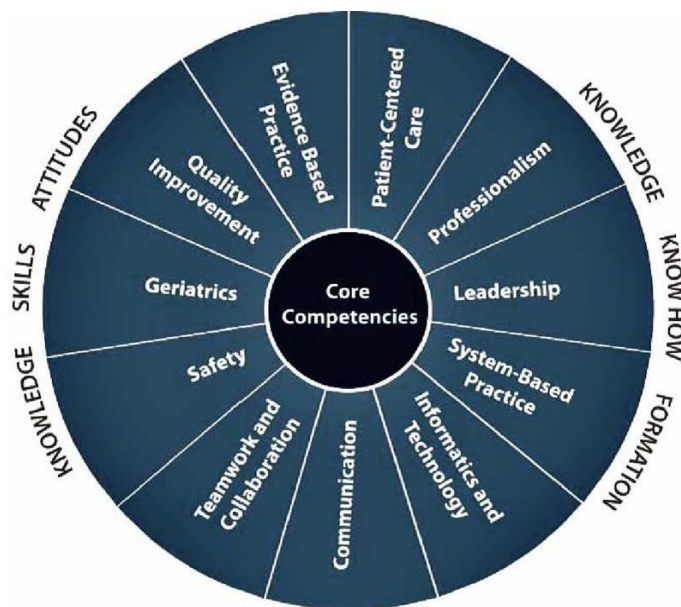Author: Masters, K. ISBN: 9781284152913

The course is divided into four specific modules. Each module is centered on four concepts of the nursing paradigm: the person, the nurse, the environment,

and the health component. Each module will interrelate the nursing core competencies from *The Nurse of the Future Nursing Core Competencies Model* as seen below. These competencies are built upon the American Association of College of Nursing (AACN) Essentials of Baccalaureate Education for Professional Nursing Practice, National League for Nursing (NLN) Council, Institute of Medicine (IOM) recommendations, Quality and Safety Education for Nurses Competencies (QSEN), and American Nursing Association (ANA) standards.

Additional information and details on these ten competencies can be found in your textbook in Chapter 4 *"Competencies for Professional Nursing Practice".* Each competency will be discussed and reviewed in their relation to the role of the future nurse. Each module will specifically highlight these concepts and reinforce the student's understanding of significance in nursing.

Required Technology:
All technology requirements should be reviewed and completed **prior to first day of class**.

1. Student is responsible for securing a fully functioning desktop computer, laptop, or tablet. WKU offers technology support and items can be checked out through Hilltopper Tech:
 https://www.wku.edu/citl/resources/zoom-backgrounds/index.php
2. ZOOM App - please review to assist in downloading
https://www.wku.edu/citl/how-do-i/zoom.php
3. WKU Blackboard app and use of Firefox or Chrome browser.

4. YouTube channel/account. Please make sure you have created prior to first class.

5. The latest version of Microsoft Word, Power point, and Publisher is available to all WKU students without cost. Use this link to download https://www.wku.edu/its/sms/microsoft_sa.php