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# Course Syllabus

## NUR 430- Current Issues in Nursing

## College of Nursing

## 1437/1438-1st semester

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### *Course Identification*

**Course Title:** Current Issues in Nursing

**Course Number:** NUR 430

**Allotted Hours:** (2+0+0)

**Students’ Level:** 8th Level

**Course Description** : This course provides students with an overview of the current trends and issues in nursing education and practice. Students are challenged to examine how these issues and other current events shape nursing practice.

1. **Course Objectives :** Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:
2. Recognize the historical images that nursing profession passes through them throughout ages.
3. Explain the functions of national and international nurses associations.
4. Describe the nursing standards in clinical practice.
5. Explain common ethical, values, moral issues currently facing health care professionals.
6. Demonstrate an understanding for the cultural diversity concepts, and its influence in providing a congruent, comprehensive, caring, and sensitive nursing care.
7. **Course Requirements** :

-Passing the assessment methods (quizzes, major examinations, assignments/activities).

-The student is expected to identify an area of interest from the list of the current trends and issues in nursing through a project presentation.

1. **Course content:**

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| **Week** | **Day** | **Topic/s** |
| 1 | Sunday  | General Orientation of the Course |
| 2 | Sunday | Unit I- The Growth of a Profession |
| 3 | Sunday | Unit 2- The evolution of licensure, certification, and nursing organization |
| 4 | Sunday | Unit 3- Issues in Delivering Care Assignment |
| 5 | Sunday | Unit 4- The Process of Educating Nurses |
| 6 | Sunday | Unit 5- leading and managing recognizing the challenges of leadership and workplace issues |
| 7 | Sunday | **1st midterm exam** |
| 8 | Sunday | Unit 6- Critical Thinking |
| 9 | Sunday | Unit 7- Ethics in Nursing and Bioethical Issues |
| 10 | Sunday | Unit 8- Ethics in Nursing and Bioethical Issues |
| 11 | Sunday | **2nd Midterm Exam** |
| 12 | Sunday | Unit 9- The Health Care Delivery System |
| 13 | Sunday | Unit 10- Cultural Diversity |
| 14 | Sunday | Unit 11- Forensic Nursing: A Specialty for the Twenty-first Century |
| 15 | Sunday | Revision |
| 16 |  | Final Exam |

**Evaluation:**

 Student's evaluation is based on the participation and involvement throughout the work sessions and group discussion, and on the quality of, and efficiency in, utilizing management tools, as well as the observation, discussion, and utilization of data related to the clinical activities.

**Assessment Tools:**

Total Marks = 100 Marks; distributed as follows:

* Participation 10 Marks
* Quizzes 10 Marks
* 1st Midterm 20 Marks
* 2nd Midterm 20 Marks
* Final exam 40 Marks

**References :**

**Required Textbook:**

Catalano, J. (2015, 2008). Nursing Now : Today's Issues, Tomorrows Trends. FA Davis Co. 2008. ISBN-13 9780803618565.

Ellis JR, Hartley CL. Nursing in today's world.(9th ed). Lippincott Williams and Wilkins. 2007. ISBN-13 978 0781765251

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Cherry B, Jacob SR. ( 2013, 2007 ). Contemporary Nursing: Issues, Trends and Management.(4th ed.) Mosby. ISBN-13 978032305217.

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