

McLennan C O M M U N I T Y C O L L E G E

WACO, TEXAS

COURSE SYLLABUS AND INSTRUCTOR PLAN

RNSG 2161.01

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NOTE: This is a Minimester course.

COVID 19 Notice:

McLennan Community College is committed to providing you with every resource you need to reach your academic goals including your safety. We will continue to monitor the evolving situation with COVID 19 and adjust our safety guidelines to make sure we offer a safe environment for you and our faculty. Please make sure to consult your faculty and the MCC website at <https://www.mclennan.edu/crisis-management/coronavirus-updates/index.html> on any changes to these guidelines.

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Course Description:

A health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional. The student must pass both RNSG 2173, 2573 and 2363 concurrently in order for the student to progress to the Level IV courses.

Prerequisites and/or Corequisites:

All associate degree nursing courses and clinicals for levels 1, 2, and 3. Semester Hours: 1

Course Notes and Instructor Recommendations:

Students will be required to be ready for report on the unit at 0645 on all clinical days.

Instructor Information:

Instructor Name: Angela Mathis, MSN, RN

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Office Phone Number: 254-299-8405

Office Location: HPN 229

Contact instructor for office hours

Instructor Name: Tamara Rutherford, MSN, RN

MCC E-mail: trutherford@mclennan.edu

Office Phone Number: 254-299-8479

Office Location: HPN 119

Contact instructor for office hours

Required Text & Materials:

ADN Student Handbook.

The required clinical uniform and clinical supplies.

Saunders Comprehensive Review for the NCLEX-PN (w/Access Code)

HESI Evolve

<https://evolve.elsevier.com/cs/store?role=student>

MCC Highlander Guide

<http://www.mclennan.edu/highlander-guide/>

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Texas Board of Nursing – Nursing Practice Act
<http://www.bon.state.tx.us/nursinglaw/npa.html>

MCC Bookstore Website: <http://www.mclennan.edu/bookstore/>

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Backup Plan for Technology:

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Click on the link above for information on the minimum system requirements needed to reliably access your courses in MCC's D2L|Brightspace learning management system.

Methods of Teaching and Learning:

The acute care clinical setting will be utilized. Discussion and NCLEX-style questions will also be utilized.

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This course builds on competencies learned in Clinical II and III. Specific learning objectives guide the student's integrated clinical experiences, focusing on application of concepts and skills learned in Levels I, II, and III. Clinical rotations through the acute care setting gives students an opportunity to provide patient-centered care to clients of varying ages with complex health care needs.

Course Objectives and/or Competencies:

Upon completion of this course the student will:

1. Use clinical reasoning and knowledge based on the nursing program of study, evidence-based practice outcomes, and research-based policies and procedures as the basis for decision-making and comprehensive, safe patient-centered care.
2. Demonstrate skills in using patient care technologies and information systems that support safe nursing practice.
3. Promote safety and quality improvement as an advocate and manager of nursing care.
4. Coordinate, collaborate, and communicate with diverse patients, families, and the interdisciplinary health care team to plan, deliver, and evaluate care that promotes quality of life.
5. Adhere to standards of practice within legal, ethical, and regulatory frameworks of the professional nurse.
6. Demonstrate knowledge of delegation, management, and leadership skills.
7. Demonstrate behavior that reflects the values and ethics of the nursing profession, including a spirit of inquiry.

Course Outline or Schedule:

This clinical course consists of **72 clinical hours**

Thursday	5/12/2022	0645-1915
Monday	5/16/2022	0645-1915
Tuesday	5/17/2022	0645-1915
Thursday	5/19/2022	0645-1915
Monday	5/24/2022	0645-1915
HESI Exam	5/26/2022	0900 in HP 219

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Direct Patient Care:

60 clinical hours will take place with clinical instructor in a direct patient care setting. The remaining clinical hours will be credited upon completion of required NCLEX-style study questions.

NCLEX-Style questions:

The student receives clinical hours for NCLEX-style questions answered, which includes reading the rationale. The questions are valued at 1.5 minutes per question. The student will need to answer and review rationales for 480 questions. See student schedule for due dates.

Course Grading Information:

Credit (CR) will be given for successful completion of the course.

Late Work and Attendance Policies:

Late Work

All clinical assignments must be completed in order to receive credit (CR) for the course. Late work will result in the student filling out a Plan for Success form.

Attendance

All clinical time must be completed. If a student is late to clinical (past 0645) and not on their assigned unit, a clinical absence will be given and the student will be sent home. Due to the limited number of clinical days in this course, there is no make-up of any kind. If a student misses any clinical hours, or assigned work is not completed when specified, non-credit will be given for the course grade.

Student Behavioral Expectations or Conduct Policy:

Students are expected to maintain classroom decorum that includes respect for other students and the instructor, prompt and regular attendance, and an attitude that seeks to take full advantage of the education opportunity.

Students are responsible for materials placed on Bright space (not the app). Students **are expected to check Brightspace regularly for announcements/postings**. Many announcements are also sent out per students' MCC email. Students are expected to check their MCC email daily, as well as Brightspace for announcements.

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Communication with the advisor and other faculty members must be done in a professional manner. The clinical instructor should **NOT** be contacted via telephone or text message **before 0545 or after 1930** on class days. Emails may be sent at any time.

No form of photography, including cellular telephone cameras, may be used in the clinical setting. Electronic devices can only be used in the specified areas designated by the hospital. Students who are found to be using social media sites, offensive sites, etc. while in the clinical setting will be asked to turn the device off and may be asked to leave the clinical setting. **There will be no use of personal cell phones in any patient care area.**

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Assignments:

- A. In an acute care setting, the student is required to satisfactorily complete:
 - 1. Orientation to assigned acute care setting
 - 2. All clinical assignments
 - 3. Patient physical assessments on selected patients.
 - 4. Assigned NCLEX questions
- B. Utilize Brightspace for course enhancement. The student must check the postings on Brightspace for: announcements, interactive assignments, and email communication.

Clinical Performance

In the clinical settings, the student will be required to satisfactorily demonstrate clinical competency according to the criteria on the clinical evaluation tool.

The Clinical Setting

A. Critical Events in the Clinical Setting

Note to students: A critical event will result in the student receiving zero credit for the day which will result in a course failure. This includes any written work done during pre-clinical and during the clinical day, regardless of performance in other areas. Examples of critical events:

- a. Unprofessional behavior towards instructor or others
- b. Violation of patient confidentiality
- c. Causing injury to patient
- d. Leaving clinical area without reporting to instructor
- e. Putting the patient at risk for injury

B. Skills

- o Physical Assessment (Blood Pressure, Pulse: Radial and Apical),
Respirations, Temperature)
- o Medication administration

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- ☐ Oral medications
- ☐ Intramuscular injection
- ☐ Subcutaneous injection
- ☐ Insulin
- ☐ IV Piggyback
- ☐ IV Push (Saline lock or existing line)
- ☐ Priming IV Tubing
- o Venipuncture
- o Foley Catheter insertion

These skills must be performed correctly as often as possible in the clinical area before completion of this clinical rotation. The student will be responsible for seeking out learning opportunities for completion of these skills and making the proper entry into the electronic medical record. Any student unable to perform these skills correctly will be assigned remedial work that must be completed in order to be successful in this course.

MEEP Licensure Policy

Effective May 2019, all students who complete the MEEP optional courses for VN will be required to pass an exit exam. If a passing grade is not accomplished on the exit exam, the student will be required to complete approved remediation prior to release of the AOG.

HESI –PN Exit Exam Policy

The goals of the HESI exit exam are to:

- Predict licensure success with a computerized comprehensive nursing exam.
- Assist the nursing student with identifying strengths and weaknesses of content necessary to successfully complete the NCLEX-PN exam.
- Develop a plan to improve any weakness thus enabling the likelihood of success on the graduate's initial NCLEX-PN exam.
- Assist the student to enter the health field as a safe practitioner.

Students who receives a HESI score below 900 must complete remediation before the AOG (Affidavit of Graduation) will be released to the Texas Board of Nursing.

POLICY:

All nursing students who plan to take the NCLEX-PN are required to take the HESI-PN exit exam during the semester of completion of the required course. Only students who have a HESI score of 900 and above on the HESI-PN Exit Exam or complete all required remediation and receive credit for VNSG 1119 and RNSG 2161 will be eligible to take the NCLEX-PN licensure exam. Affidavits of Graduation (AOG) will be released to the Texas BON by the Program Director after all scores are submitted by faculty.

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REMEDIATION

Students who receive a HESI score below 900 must complete remediation before the Affidavit of Graduation (AOG) will be released to the Texas Board of Nursing.

The remediation will consist of the following steps:

- 1) Must complete the HESI remediation:
 - Log on to Evolve Account
 - Add topics/categories to the remediation study packet.
 - Required: 4 hours of remediation a week for 6 weeks. Minimum of 24 hours of HESI remediation.
 - Program Director or designee will monitor remediation progress via faculty access through Evolve.
- 2) Student will answer 3000 NCLEX –PN questions.
 - Student must make 75% on each exam in exam mode
 - Student must submit a print out of their results to the Program Director or designated person.
 - **Student should attempt to answer 500-600 questions per week.**

Complete remediation within 4-6 weeks.

To Reiterate:

- Suggest answering 85-100 NCLEX-PN questions per day
- Review ALL RATIONALES
- Complete 24 hours of remediation in the HESI system
- All of the 3000 NCLEX-PN Questions – Must pass with 75% on each exam in exam mode.

REMEDIATION DUE: AUGUST 3, 2022, BY 5:00 PM, to Dr. Shelley Blackwood, Program Director

Contact Program Director:

- Email: sblackwood@mclennan.edu
- Phone: 254-299-8354
- Fax: 254-299-6232

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ACADEMIC RESOURCES/POLICIES

Accommodations/ADA Statement:

Any student who is a qualified individual with a disability may request reasonable accommodations to assist with providing equal access to educational opportunities. Students should contact the Accommodations Coordinator as soon as possible to provide documentation and make necessary arrangements. Once that process is completed, appropriate verification will be provided to the student and instructor. Please note that instructors are not required to provide classroom accommodations to students until appropriate verification has been provided by the Accommodations Coordinator. For additional information, please visit www.mclennan.edu/disability.

Students with questions or who require assistance with disabilities involving physical, classroom, or testing accommodations should contact:

disabilities@mclennan.edu

254-299-8122

Room 319, Student Services Center

Title IX:

We care about your safety, and value an environment where students and instructors can successfully teach and learn together. If you or someone you know experiences unwelcomed behavior, we are here to help. Individuals who would like to report an incident of sexual misconduct are encouraged to immediately contact the Title IX Coordinator at titleix@mclennan.edu or by calling Dr. Drew Canham (Chief of Staff for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion/Title IX) at (254) 299-8645. Individuals also may contact the MCC Police Department at 299-8911 or the MCC Student Counseling Center at MCC at (254) 299-8210. The MCC Student Counseling Center is a confidential resource for students. Any student or employee may report sexual harassment anonymously by visiting <http://www.lighthouse-services.com/mclennan/>.

Go to McLennan's Title IX webpage at www.mclennan.edu/titleix/. It contains more information about definitions, reporting, confidentiality, resources, and what to do if you or someone you know is a victim of sexual misconduct, gender-based violence or the crimes of rape, acquaintance rape, sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, dating violence, or domestic violence.

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MCC Foundation Emergency Grant Fund:

Unanticipated expenses, such as car repairs, medical bills, housing, or job loss can affect us all. Should an unexpected expense arise, the MCC Foundation has an emergency grant fund that may be able to assist you. Please go to <https://www.mclennan.edu/foundation/scholarships-and-resources/emergencygrant.html> to find out more about the emergency grant. The application can be found at https://www.mclennan.edu/foundation/docs/Emergency_Grant_Application.pdf.

MCC Academic Integrity Statement:

Go to www.mclennan.edu/academic-integrity for information about academic integrity, dishonesty, and cheating.

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Email Policy:

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A student's McLennan email address is the preferred email address that college employees should use for official college information or business. Students are expected to read and, if needed, respond in a timely manner to college emails.

Instructional Uses of Email:

Faculty members can determine classroom use of email or electronic communications. Faculty should expect and encourage students to check the college email on a regular basis. Faculty should inform students in the course syllabus if another communication method is to be used and of any special or unusual expectations for electronic communications.

If a faculty member prefers not to communicate by email with their students, it should be reflected in the course syllabus and information should be provided for the preferred form of communication.

Email on Mobile Devices:

The College recommends that you set up your mobile device to receive McLennan emails. If you need assistance with set-up, you may email Helpdesk@mclennan.edu for help.

Forwarding Emails:

You may forward emails that come to your McLennan address to alternate email addresses; however, the College will not be held responsible for emails forwarded to an alternate address that may be lost or placed in junk or spam filters.

Disclaimer:

The resources and policies listed above are merely for informational purposes and are subject to change without notice or obligation. The College reserves the right to change policies and other requirements in compliance with State and Federal laws. The provisions of this document do not constitute a contract.