



SAN JUAN COLLEGE

NMNC 1135 Principles of Nursing Practice Section Name Section Credit Hours Credits
Syllabus

Section-specific Course Description:

Course Level Objectives

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to...

1. Describe the different types and characteristics of communication in professional nursing practice.
2. Utilize the concepts presented in Level One nursing courses in the application to the care of the patient.
3. Demonstrate the principles of safety during the implementation of nursing skills.
4. Demonstrate the learned skills in patient-based scenarios.
5. Utilize the nursing process to provide safe and effective care.

COURSE COMPETENCIES

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to...

1. Express one's own values, beliefs and attitudes in a respectful manner.
2. Identify potentially harmful situations.
3. Identify near misses and clinical errors.
4. Perform identified skills to promote patient safety.
5. Perform medication administration safely and accurately.

6. Perform medication calculations safely and accurately.
7. Verbalize awareness of patient/family preferences and values.
8. Identify and compare various communication styles.
9. Identify interpersonal communication styles for the situation.
10. Identify appropriate advocacy role related to patient safety using nursing interventions.
11. Demonstrate effective collaboration with peers in the learning environment.
12. Demonstrate effective communication with peers and faculty.
13. Identify own areas for personal and professional growth.
14. Identify or discuss the differences in the roles of health care team members.
15. Document interventions using available technology.
16. Select appropriate equipment for use in patient care.

Required Texts and/or Materials

Information about required textbook bundles will be provided by the nursing program each semester.

Required Technology and Software

- Canvas
- Chrome, Safari, or Firefox

Technical Support

Technical support is available through the San Juan College Help Desk 24/7/365. The help desk can be reached at 505-566-3266 or by creating a ticket at [San Juan College Help Desk](#).

For password reset and Canvas support, visit the [Student Technology Guide](#) website.

Accessibility/Privacy Policies for all Technology Tools Used

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Nursing Course Requirements

Students will do the following activities:

1. Required to purchase all textbooks, workbooks, and lab materials.
2. Expected to attend class per attendance policy in Nursing Student Handbook.
3. Expected to be prepared and participate in class discussions and activities.
4. Expected to take all tests and/or quizzes on the announced dates.
5. Required to complete and submit all written assignments by the scheduled due dates.
6. Required to review the San Juan College Department of Nursing Handbook and be familiar with all policies of the Nursing Department.
7. Expected to adhere to professional behaviors as outlined in the Nursing Student Handbook.
8. Expected to consistently meet all course outcomes and competencies.
9. Expected to check course Canvas email, San Juan College email, and announcements daily.
10. Required to respond to instructor emails within 2 business days.
11. Expected to demonstrate professional behaviors in any class/lab/simulation/clinical related activity, consistent with the ANA Code of Ethics and the Nursing Scope of Practice.
12. All required student professional documentation must be current with the Nursing Department. The SJC Department of Nursing requires that all student professional documentation must be current from the start of this term through the completion of this term. Professional documentation includes, but is not limited to, criminal background check, immunizations, drug screening, current CPR certification, proof of health insurance, etc. Individual clinical sites may have additional requirements for professional documentation that are subject to change without prior notice (can include mandatory training modules and/or courses) and these are considered part of student professional documentation. UNM co-enrolled students are required to submit UNM transcripts to the SJC nursing

advisor every semester. These are also considered part of professional documentation. Failure to complete documentation will result in a 5% course grade deduction in overall homework grade each week that the documentation is delinquent. In addition, a student with delinquent professional documentation may not be permitted to attend clinical which may compromise the ability to pass clinical.

Course Requirements

Students will do the following activities:

Student Support

At San Juan College, we are committed to supporting your academic success and overall well-being. We recognize that college life can be challenging and stressful, impacting both learning and personal health. We are here to help you succeed.

Academic Support and Resources

We provide a range of academic support services to help you stay on track on your educational journey. Free resources include tutoring, computer loans, life skills workshops, and so much more. Visit the [Academic Support and Resources](#) webpage to learn more about support and resources available through Academic Advising, the Tutoring Center, the Student Resource Center (formerly Student Achievement Center) and the Testing Center.

Student Support and Resources

If you or someone you know could benefit from counseling, accessibility services, career exploration, veteran transitional assistance, or any of our other support services, visit the [Student Support and Resources](#) webpage where you'll find detailed information about various resources available to you as an SJC student.

We encourage you to take advantage of these free resources to enhance your college experience and ensure your success.

Key Dates to Remember

[Full Academic Calendar](#)

College Policies and Resources for Current Students

The [Student Handbook](#) provides information on student support, student organizations, and student conduct policies at San Juan College.

The San Juan College catalog outlines the [Academic Policies](#) students need to know.

Program Handbook

The San Juan College Department of Nursing Handbook will be available in Canvas for all Nursing Courses.

Healthy and Safe Practices for Being on Campus

We want a healthy and safe campus for students, faculty, staff, and guests.

Contagious diseases and your responsibility:

If you have COVID-19 symptoms, fever, flu or even the common cold, you should stay home. Do not come to campus if you are feeling sick. Contact your instructor about missing class (and review your instructor's policies on missed or late work). Being sick does not necessarily excuse you from completing your work on time.

Safety on campus and your responsibility:

If you are on campus and experience or witness an emergency, call 9-1-1 first and then the Department of Public Safety at 505-566-3333 (or just 3333 if calling from a campus phone).

When you are on campus, be aware of your surroundings. If you need an escort to your vehicle, call 505-566-4444 (DPS non-emergency line) or 505-215-3091 (officer on duty line).

The College will send information for campus emergencies through SJC AlertAware, email and the webpage. Stay informed and stay safe.

Inclement Weather Information

Students will receive notification of class delays and cancellations due to inclement weather via the SJC AlertAware and SJC student email. Face-to-face classes will not meet in person; however, students are advised to check with instructors about alternative meeting options, as some may choose to meet via zoom. Hybrid classes will meet as scheduled via zoom. For questions regarding your class delay or cancelation, please contact your instructor.

Online Course Fee

Online Courses - San Juan College requires all online courses to include some form of assessment to demonstrate the mastery of course objectives. This could include exams, capstone projects, e-portfolios, presentations, final papers or other appropriate assessments. The use of a proctoring platform, plagiarism detection software or other method to ensure that assessments are completed by the enrolled student is required.

A course fee of \$5.00 is assessed for all online courses at San Juan College to cover the cost of the above services. Students who are required to take a proctored exam and choose to use a physical testing center outside the SJC Testing Center or SJC Disability Services will be responsible for the cost of using that center.