NURS 1001 APPROACHES TO PROFESSIONAL NURSING PRACTICE

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 401007

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Description Approaches to Professional Nursing Practice explores the nature and professional context of nursing. The roles and functions of the nurse and their relationship to others are considered in terms of expected competence, responsibilities, accountabilities, and scope of practice. Students will gain an understanding of information enabled care, which is central to modern practice.

School Nursing & Midwifery

Discipline General Nursing

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 1 10cp

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Level Undergraduate Level 1 subject

Incompatible Subjects NURS 1002 - Becoming a Nurse NURS 1008 - Knowing Nursing

Restrictions

Students must be enrolled in 4691 Bachelor of Nursing or 4780 Bachelor of Nursing – WSU Online or 4693 Bachelor of Nursing (Advanced) or 4692 Bachelor of Nursing (Graduate Entry)

Assumed Knowledge

Foundational knowledge of primary health care, professional communication and nursing skills.

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Identify the principles of and processes for supporting evidence-based practice
2. Conduct the techniques to conduct literature searches from a wide range of sources to support safe and appropriate nursing care
3. Explain professional responsibility and accountability when adhering to digital health legislation, policy, ethics, and professional conduct
4. Describe the responsibilities of the registered nurse related to scope of practice, delegation, and the supervision framework
5. Explain a lifelong learning approach for continuing professional development of self and others, including ongoing resilience and self-reflexivity in a professional context
6. Explain the role of registered nurses to ensure accessibility, reliability, privacy, security, and timeliness of data within healthcare environments

Subject Content

1. The discipline of nursing, perceptions of nursing and professional identity
2. Nursing roles, functions and required competencies
3. Professional responsibility and accountability when adhering to digital health legislation, policy, ethics, and professional conduct.
4. Boundaries of practice
5. Open Disclosure
6. Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) decision-making framework (DMF) – nursing
7. Ethical and legal nursing practice
8. Collaborative health care and nursing practice
9. Evidence-based practice including literature searching, describing different sources of evidence and accessing different evidence to inform and improve patient care
10. Lifelong learning approach for continuing professional development of self and others, including ongoing resilience and self-reflexivity in a professional context.
11. Scope of practice, delegation, and the supervision frameworks
12. National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards

Special Requirements

Essential equipment

Access to an internet enabled device is essential in order to be able to: access course materials; to participate in discussion groups; and to access additional resources provided by the lecturer during the session. See http://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/services_and_facilities/uwsonline_student_support (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/services_and_facilities/uwsonline_student_support/) for further information.

Assessment

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Participatio	All teaching weeks	S/U	Y	Individual	Y

WSU Online

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Prescribed Texts

- Savage P. (2015). Legal Issues for Nursing Students: Applied Principles (3rd ed.). Frenchs Forest, N.S.W: Pearson Australia.
- Daly, J., Speedy, S., & Jackson, D. (2017). Contexts of Nursing: An Introduction (5th ed.). Chatswood, N.S.W: Elsevier Australia. http://ezproxy.uws.edu.au/login?url=https://www.clinicalkey.com.au/nursing/dura/browse/bookChapter/3-s2.0-C20150045737

Teaching Periods

WSU Online TRI-1 (2025)
Wsu Online
Online
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WSU Online TRI-2 (2025)
Wsu Online
Online
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Spring (2025)
Campbelltown
On-site
Subject Contact Toni Azzopardi (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/name/Toni Azzopardi/)

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Hawkesbury
On-site
Subject Contact Toni Azzopardi (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/name/Toni Azzopardi/)

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Liverpool
On-site
Subject Contact Toni Azzopardi (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/name/Toni Azzopardi/)

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Parramatta - Victoria Rd
On-site
Subject Contact Toni Azzopardi (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/name/Toni Azzopardi/)

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WSU Online TRI-3 (2025)
Wsu Online
Online
Subject Contact Fleur Vanderheld (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/name/Fleur Vanderheld/)

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