HEALTH ASSESSMENT FOR FAMILY
NUR 820 section 741 and 737

3 Credits
Hybrid Class
Fall 2011

Catalog Course Description: Advanced assessment component of the nursing process to analyze the health status of children and adults across the lifespan.

Additional Course Description: Advanced assessment involves the collection of comprehensive subjective and objective data for practice as an Advanced Practice Nurse (APN) and eventually, after passing national certification, an Adult Nurse Practitioner (ANP). The student’s use of interviewing techniques, communication, interpersonal skills and psychomotor skills will be enhanced and refined.

Emphasis is placed on interpretation of data for the purpose of differentiating normal findings from variations from normal and recognizing actual and potential health problems. The problem-oriented system of organizing and recording data is covered. Course content includes discussion of the impact of the cultural diversity of patients and ethical issues related to the assessment process.

Course Objectives: At the end of this course, students will:
1. Apply advanced therapeutic communication skills to data collection across the lifespan.
2. Utilize comprehensive health history and physical assessment skills for individuals across the lifespan.
3. Apply knowledge of cultural variations when collecting health assessment data.
4. Synthesize subjective and objective health assessment data into concise documentation.
5. Utilized advanced assessment skills in simulation and community-based environments.

Prerequisites: None

Co-requisites: None

Professional Standards & Guidelines: The curriculum is guided by the following documents:


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For questions at any time regarding the online portion of this course or on-campus workshops, please contact the course coordinator, Mary Jane Cook

For questions relating to clinical assignments, contact your assigned clinical faculty member

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**Instruction:**

a. **Methodology:** This hybrid course is built on modules, which includes:
   1) Agenda for guidance on the week’s content
   2) Objectives
   3) Assigned textbook readings
   4) Additional required readings from journal or web pages (periodic)
   5) Discussion Boards
   6) Quizzes
   7) Clinical Documentation

b. On-campus clinical group workshops with mentoring and instruction by clinical faculty prior to performance on physical examination skills per criteria

c. Clinical Case recording and Clinical Skills Log via Typhon System

d. On-campus Learning Assessment Center (LAC) experience for Gender sensitive examinations and Final Evaluation

e. 40 hours of a precepted clinical experience (arranged though the College of Nursing Clinical Placement Office)

This hybrid course is taught utilizing online modules via the ANGEL, assigned readings, on-campus workshops, and 40 hours of a precepted clinical experience. As adult learners, it is expected that students will do relevant reading and practice prior to the on-campus workshops and clinical experiences. Faculty directed readings and web links will be provided for specific content areas.
The on-campus workshops are mandatory. If you are unable to attend a session due to an emergency situation, you must notify the course coordinator and your clinical faculty. Make-up for this time will be arranged at the discretion of your clinical faculty in collaboration with the course coordinator.

Clinical days are also mandatory. You will arrange the specific day and hours for your experience with your clinical preceptor. If you need to miss a day due to an illness or emergency situation, you need to notify your clinical preceptor and clinical faculty and arrange for a time to make up the hours with your clinical preceptor.

**Required Texts:**


**Recommended Text:**


**Required Resources, References, Supplies:**

ANGEL Help Line
1.800.500.1554 (24 hrs, 7 days/week)
517.355.2345 (24 hrs, 7 days/week)
[www.angel.msu.edu](http://www.angel.msu.edu) (ANGEL Help link in upper right corner)
Always check with the ANGEL Help Line first!

**Required Equipment**

- Stethoscope
- Otoscope and ophthalmoscope (with disposable specula)
- Insufflator bulb for otoscope
- Reflex hammer
- Tuning fork (128 and 512 Hz)
- Flexible nylon tape measure
- Monofilament instrument (neurologic testing)
- Lab coat
- MSU student name badge
Evaluation:

a. Learning Assessments and Grading:

The overall grading system in this course is Pass/Fail
All components of the course are mandatory
All components of the course must be completed & passed at the indicated levels in order to pass the course & progress through the program

Components of the course include:
--Module check-offs & appropriate documentation
--Health History and Documentation
--Clinical hours (40) with appropriate documentation
--Quizzes
--Final Performance Evaluation (4 components explained below)
--A minimum of 80% is passing for the majority of course components with the exception of the Final Performance Evaluation where passing is 90%

Final Performance Evaluation - four components, each requiring a minimum of 90% to pass
--Healthy History (performance) = 90% pass
--Health History (documentation) = 90% pass
--Physical Examination (performance) = 90% pass
--Physical Examination (documentation) = 90% pass

Failure to pass any component of the course will result in a failure for the course

Evaluation components:

1. Module Check-Offs & Documentation: Pass/Fail
   --At every on campus workshop, students are required to demonstrate (check off) on skills that have been learned from assigned readings & online modules
   --Written documentation of the performed assessment will also be submitted

2. Initial Health History: Pass/Fail
   --Each student will practice an initial health history on a student partner while on campus for the 1st workshop day.
   --Students will complete a simulated health history on a standardized patient at the learning and assessment center during the second workshop day. Documentation will be submitted to their clinical faculty per the course schedule.

3. Clinical Experience & Documentation: Pass/Fail
   --Clinical practice experiences to start after the 2nd on-campus workshop
   --40 hours of clinical are required in order to pass this course
   --Written documentation is required for each clinical experience (3 clinical documentations required)
   --A completed clinical log with preceptor evaluation is required to be submitted at the end of the clinical experience

4. Quizzes: 80% required to pass
   --Students will take 6 online quizzes worth 20 points each
   --Quizzes are based on information from assigned readings (textbook), journal articles & online resources
5. Final Performance Evaluation: A score of 90% or better is required for each individual component in order to pass the course.

The simulated patient or “hands on” assessment may not be repeated.

A complete health history and physical examination will be conducted, following completion of the course requirements, on a standardized patient utilizing the Learning Assessment Center.

The final performance evaluation consists of four components:

a. Obtaining a complete health history
b. Performing a head to toe physical exam
c. Documentation of the history
d. Documentation of the physical

This is a timed exam

a. 30 minutes to complete the history portion
b. 45 minutes to complete the physical exam
c. 60 minutes total to complete the history and physical documentation
d. Components of each exam not completed during the allotted time will not be considered in grading

b. Course Grading Scale: The course is graded as either Pass or No – Grade. In order to Pass the course, the student must achieve a grade of 80% or higher on assignments as described above in order to pass the course. Failure to meet 80% will constitute a failing grade and the student will not be allowed to continue on to the next clinical practicum. The MSN student handbook discusses the procedures in the event of a failure of a course.

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c. Writing Requirements: None

University & College Policies:

The College of Nursing expects that students will demonstrate professional behavior in all situations. Specific expectations for clinical and other professional venues can be found in the appropriate handbook. You are responsible for reviewing and acting in accordance with the policies and procedures found in the following sources, including the following topics: Professionalism, Academic Integrity, Accommodations for Students with Disabilities, Disruptive Behavior, Attendance, Compliance, and Progression.

- CON Student handbook [http://nursing.msu.edu/handbooks.asp](http://nursing.msu.edu/handbooks.asp)
- Information for Current Students—including Rights, Responsibilities and Regulations for Students [http://www.msu.edu/current/index.html](http://www.msu.edu/current/index.html)
- Academic Programs [http://www.reg.msu.edu/UCC/AcademicPrograms.asp](http://www.reg.msu.edu/UCC/AcademicPrograms.asp)
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## Course Calendar Fall Semester 2010

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<td>August 31-Sept 9</td>
<td><strong>Module 1</strong></td>
<td>On campus: Thursday, Sept 8, 2011</td>
<td>Workshop Documentation of HEENT exam and Cultural competency assignment due to clinical faculty dropbox by Monday Sept. 12 before 11:30pm</td>
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<td>• History</td>
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<td><strong>Module 2</strong></td>
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<td>Workshop Documentation of LAC History and Cardiovascular documentation due to clinical faculty by Monday, October 3 before 11:30pm</td>
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<td>• The Thorax and Lungs</td>
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<td>• The Cardiovascular System</td>
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<td>• The Peripheral Vascular System</td>
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<td><strong>Module 3</strong></td>
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<td>Workshop Documentation of sexual histories, male and female physical examinations due to clinical faculty by Monday, October 24th before 11:30pm</td>
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<td>• Male Genitalia and Hernias</td>
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<td>• Female Genitalia</td>
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<td>Module 4</td>
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<td>Clinical documentation #2 due by Monday, November 7th before 11:30pm to your clinical faculty dropbox</td>
<td>Quiz 4 Completion by Wednesday, November 9, 2011 before 11:30 pm</td>
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<td>Nervous System • Musculoskeletal System</td>
<td>B109 Life Sciences Building 9am to 4pm Nervous System, and Musculoskeletal check off</td>
<td>Workshop Documentation of neurological and musculoskeletal HPI and examination due to clinical faculty by Monday, November 14th before 11:30pm</td>
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<td>Module 5</td>
<td>Clinical documentation #3 due by Monday, November 21st before 11:30pm to your clinical faculty dropbox</td>
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<td>November 26- December 2</td>
<td>Putting It All Together</td>
<td>December 1, 2011 On Campus Event Complete History and Physical Examination Learning Assessment Center, 6th floor East Fee Hall, Arrival times assigned</td>
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<td>Preceptor and Clinical Self Evaluation due to clinical faculty members Time Logs signed by preceptor and due to clinical faculty</td>
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<td>December 3-10</td>
<td>Module 6 Physical Examination for Providers • Annual Examination • Sports Physical • Department of Transportation Physical • Surgical Clearance • Occupational Physical</td>
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<td>Quiz 6 Completion by Saturday, December 10, 2011 before 11:30 pm.</td>
<td>Final Clinical Evaluation by phone or in-person with clinical faculty week of December 12th-16th.</td>
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