

Nursing: Unlimited Possibilities and Unlimited Potential

Course Overview and Syllabus

Grade level: 9–12

Prerequisite Courses: None

Credits: 0.5

Course Description

Nursing: Unlimited Possibilities and Unlimited Potential provides high school students opportunities to compare and contrast the various academic and clinical training pathways to an entry-level position in nursing and to explore the growing number of opportunities for professional advancement given the proper preparation and experience. In this semester-long course, students have several opportunities to learn about the expanding scope of professional practice for registered nurses and better understand the important changes proposed in the education and ongoing professional development of nurses.

Course Objectives

Throughout the course, you will meet the following goals:

- Learn about the history of nursing, types and educational requirements of different types of nurses, and ethics and professionalism in nursing
- Discover the different types of primary nursing positions
- Examine specialized nursing fields such as operating room, pediatrics, psychiatric, correctional, oncology, and orthopedic
- Explore additional fields such as AIDS care, cardiac rehabilitation, infection control, occupational health, and gastroenterology/endoscopy
- Review unique careers including flight nurse, forensic nurse, and travel nurse

Student Expectations

This course requires the same level of commitment from you as a traditional classroom course. Throughout the course, you are expected to spend approximately 5–7 hours per week online on:

- Interactive lessons that include a mixture of videos, readings, and tasks
- Assignments in which you apply and extend learning in each lesson
- Assessments, including quizzes, tests, and cumulative exams

Communication

Your teacher will communicate with you regularly through discussions, email, chat, and system announcements. You will also communicate with classmates, either via online tools or face to face, as you collaborate on projects, ask and answer questions in your peer group, and develop your speaking and listening skills.

Grading Policy

You will be graded on the work you do online and the work you submit electronically to your teacher. The weighting for each category of graded activity is listed below.

| Grading Category | Weight |
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| Lesson Quizzes | 20% |
| Unit Tests | 20% |
| Cumulative Exams | 20% |
| Assignments | 10% |
| Projects | 30% |
| Additional | 0% |

Scope and Sequence

When you log into Edgenuity, you can view the entire course map—an interactive scope and sequence of all topics you will study. The units of study are summarized below:

- Unit 1:** The Nursing Profession
- Unit 2:** Primary Nursing Positions
- Unit 3:** Nursing Specialties
- Unit 4:** More Nursing Specialties
- Unit 5:** Nursing Career Alternatives