

Linfield College
Connecting Learning, Life and Community

Linfield Good Samaritan School of Nursing

We offer a visionary, innovative and holistic curriculum built on 107 years of nursing educational experience to prepare registered nurses for the twenty-first century. The curriculum is community-based and focuses on health promotion and wellness principles in addition to illness treatment.

Nursing Curriculum Outline
(NUR courses)

Level 1 Courses – Socialization into Nursing

NUR 103 Foundations for Reflective Practice (3 credits theory)

Prepares students for nursing practice by increasing self-awareness, examining nursing roles in the historical context and in a variety of practice settings and exploring professional values and ways of being.

NUR 106 Helping Role of the Nurse (2 credits theory, 2 credits clinical)

Students begin the process of mastering holistic nursing interventions basic to giving nursing care to clients of all ages. Through skills labs and clinical experience in a nursing care facility, students perform fundamental nursing skills including basic health assessment of individuals and communities. Competency testing point.

Clinical experience days: Thursdays and Fridays, latter half of the course.

Faculty contact: Diane Welch, 503-413-7935, Agency contact hours: 18

Level 2 Courses – Promoting Healthy Choices

NUR 206 Society and Mental Health (3 credits theory, 3 credits clinical)

Students develop nursing practices with clients across the life span in a variety of mental health settings. Explores societal concerns related to staying healthy, adapting to illness, developing and maintaining human relationships and addressing mental health problems. Clinical experiences in community mental health settings focus on communication, health teaching and political awareness/action.

Clinical experience days: Tuesdays and Wednesdays or Thursdays and Fridays, latter half of the course.

Faculty contact: Sue Butell, 503-413-7177, Agency contact hours: 76

NUR 213 Family Health (3 credits theory, 2 credits clinical)

Explores the nurse's role in fostering family health within a community. Includes identification of community resources. Clinical experiences in community settings focus on assessment of individuals, families and communities and related health promotion activities including prenatal care.

Clinical experience days: Tuesdays or Wednesdays or Fridays, latter half of the course.

Faculty contact: Sherry Archer, 503-413-7175, Agency contact hours: 56

Level 3 Courses – Illness Experience

NUR 311 Clinical Nursing Skills (2 credits clinical)

Skills laboratory course focuses on acquisition of theory-based nursing skills required for care of clients with health problems. Includes technical skills, client assessment and assessment practicum (see Skills Checklist). Competency testing point.

Clinical experience days: Tuesdays and Wednesdays, first half of the semester.

Faculty contact: Kathy Kinderman, 503-413-7169, Agency contact hours: 13.5

NUR 313 Adapting to Health Challenges (3 credits theory, 3 credits clinical)

Students explore nursing concepts related to chronic illness across the lifespan. Includes nutrition, pathophysiology, pharmacology and meaning of illness and health. Precepted clinical experiences in a community, outpatient or other non-acute setting focus on understanding of nursing problems of individuals and specific client populations.

Clinical experience days: Tuesdays and Wednesdays, Section A or Section B.

Section A: first half of the semester, Agency contact hours: 96

Section B: second half of the semester, Agency contact hours: 96

Faculty contact: (Fall) Jan Selliken, 503-413-7624, (Spring) Jana Taylor, 503-413-8121

NUR 316 Life Threatening Health Challenges (3 credits theory, 3 credits clinical)

Students learn about nursing care of clients across the lifespan with complex and multisystem health care needs. Focuses on acute illness and how it affects the continuum of care in the community. Includes nutrition, pathophysiology, pharmacology and meaning of illness and health related to selected concepts. Clinical experiences in acute care facilities.

Clinical experience days: Tuesdays and Wednesdays, Section A or Section B.

Section A: first half of the semester

Section B: second half of the semester

Faculty contact: Vivian Tong, 503-413-7052, Agency contact hours: 96

NUR 318 Maternal-Child Health Challenges (2 credits theory, 2 credits clinical)

Students study nursing care of maternal-child families and provide nursing care to families in a childbirth or pediatric hospital setting. Focuses on the concepts of development, safety, communication, pain, fever, oxygenation, homeostasis, loss and ethics as they relate to maternal-child health.

Clinical experience days: Tuesdays and Wednesdays, Section A or Section B.

Section A: first half of the semester

Section B: second half of the semester

Faculty contact: Lisa Aepfelbacher, 503-413-7190, Agency contact hours: 64

Level 4 Courses – Nursing in a Global Society

NUR 416 Stewardship of the Community (3 credits theory, 2 credits clinical)

Course focuses on professionalism, ethics, leadership and management, health care policy and finance in the care and service of populations. Includes preceptorship with a nurse leader/manager.

Clinical experience days: Tuesdays all day and Wednesday mornings only, first half of the semester.

Faculty contact: Pam Wheeler, 503-413-7165, Agency contact hours: 60

NUR 419 Senior Practicum (1 credit theory, 4 credits clinical)

Clinical practice experience in an area of interest to the individual student. 144 hours of precepted practicum experience with an RN preceptor. Includes competency testing and reflective seminars which assist students to integrate practice experiences into professional life. Competency testing occurs before students begin clinical experience.

Clinical experience days: Per preceptor schedule, any days or shifts except Sunday nights or Mondays, second half of the semester.

Faculty contact: (Fall) Cheryl Langford, 503-413-8442, or (Spring) Sue Butell, 503-413-7177. Agency contact hours: 144

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