COURSE TITLE: Research Process for Professional Nursing
COURSE NUMBER: NUR 3165

COURSE DESCRIPTION (with prerequisites):
This introductory course will assist students in conceptualizing both the basic research process and the importance of research to nursing, and will enable students to understand and use published healthcare research. 3 semester hours credit. [A]

NAME(S) OF INSTRUCTORS:
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EFFECTIVE ACADEMIC YEAR:
2017-2018

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS AND INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS:

GRADING POLICY:
The standing of a student in each course is expressed by one of the following letters and corresponding grading system:
A = 90 - 100
B = 80-89
C = 75 - 79
D = 60 - 74
F = 0 – 59
The Chipola Catalog provides policies and procedures regarding the grading system. A student’s Grade Point Average is derived from the grading system/quality point scale.

ATTENDANCE AND WITHDRAWAL POLICIES:
Chipola College expects regular attendance of all students, and all instructors record attendance daily. Students who are absent from classes for any reason other than official college activities must satisfy the instructor concerned that the absence was due to illness or other clearly unavoidable reasons. Otherwise, the student may suffer grade loss at the discretion of the instructor. Chipola policy allows each instructor to specify in the Instructor First Day Handout whether or not an absence is excusable and what affect the absence or tardy may have on the grade.

A student is allowed to repeat a course a maximum of three (3) times. On the third attempt a student (1) must bear the full cost of instruction (unless waived by Student Services), (2) cannot withdraw, and (3) must receive a grade.
MAKE-UP POLICY:
Chipola allows each instructor to specify in the Instructor First Day Handout the makeup policy.

ACADEMIC HONOR CODE POLICY:
Students are expected to uphold the Academic Honor Code. Chipola College’s Honor Code is based on the premise that each student has the responsibility to (1) uphold the highest standards of academic honesty in his/her own work; (2) refuse to tolerate academic dishonesty in the college community; and (3) foster a high sense of honor and social responsibility on the part of students. Further information regarding the Academic Honor Code may be found in the Chipola Catalog, Student Governance section.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES POLICY:
Chipola College is committed to making all programs and facilities accessible to anyone with a disability. Chipola's goal is for students to obtain maximum benefit from their educational experience and to effectively transition into the college environment. Students with disabilities are requested to voluntarily contact the Office of Students with Disabilities to complete the intake process and determine their eligibility for reasonable accommodations.

NOTICE OF EQUAL ACCESS/EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AND NONDISCRIMINATION:
Chipola College does not discriminate against any persons, employees, students, applicants or others affiliated with the college with regard to race, color, religion, ethnicity, national origin, age, veteran’s status, disability, gender, genetic information, marital status, pregnancy or any other protected class under applicable federal and state laws, in any college program, activity or employment.

Karan Davis, Associate Vice President of Human Resources, Equity Officer and Title IX Coordinator, 3094 Indian Circle, Marianna, FL 32446, Building A, Room 183A, 850-718-2205, davisk@chipola.edu.

LIBRARY AND ON-LINE REFERENCE MATERIALS:
The library is a comprehensive learning resource center providing information in print, electronic, and multimedia format to support the educational objectives of the College. On-line catalogs, e-books and electronic databases can be accessed by using the LINCCWeb icon on the Chipola Library website at www.chipola.edu/library. If you have questions about database usage consult the “How to Use the Chipola Databases” on the Library website or call the Library at 850/718-2274 during regular hours. Library hours are posted each semester at the building entrance and on the Library website. See your Instructor First Day Handout for individual instructor recommendations and resources.

TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES:
The college’s learning management system is Canvas. Classes become available on Canvas on the first day of the semester. It is the student’s responsibility to log onto the
Canvas system the first day of class to establish the first day of attendance and to check announcements. All official class communication must be through Canvas. For further information, contact your instructor or the Director of eLearning. The Canvas support hotline is available online in live chat and on the phone, toll-free, at 855-308-2812 for any issues in accessing or utilizing Canvas. The Technology Center, located in the library, is equipped with computer workstations. Lab hours are posted each semester at the building entrance and on the Library website.

FREE TUTORING RESOURCES:
The Academic Center for Excellence (ACE) Lab, located in Building L, offers free tutoring from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is equipped with computer workstations. ACE lab hours are posted each semester at the room entrance and on the website. Additionally, Chipola College has contracted Smarthinking, a Pearson Company, for online tutoring services, accessible especially from 5 p.m. to 8 a.m. and weekends. Smarthinking can be accessed through Canvas.

ELECTRONIC DEVICE USAGE STATEMENT:
Classrooms should be free of all unnecessary distractions from the task of learning. Therefore, as a general rule, students should silence and avoid use of all electronic devices (laptops, phones, tablets, etc.) not being used for coursework. Consult first-day handouts for any specific policies related to the use of electronic devices in the classroom, as they may vary depending upon the nature of the course or the guidelines of the instructor. Faculty reserve the right to regulate the use of electronic devices and their accessories in class.

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC COMPETENCIES / LEARNING OUTCOMES:
N1. Apply current leadership and management concepts, skills, and decision making in the provision of high quality nursing care in a variety of settings.
N2. Critically evaluate evidence-based findings from various sources, determine relevance and application to improve patient outcomes.
N3. Evaluate needs within various practice settings and formulate teaching plans based on any identified needs to improve health care delivery.
N4. Serve as a change agent and client advocate in the practice of professional nursing with individuals, families, groups, and communities.
N5. Utilize effective communication techniques in professional relationships, promote teambuilding and effective client care.
N6. Identify, deliver culturally sensitive care to diverse populations served within various practice settings.

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LINKING COURSE-LEVEL STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES WITH DISCIPLINE-SPECIFIC COMPETENCIES, ASSESSMENT METHODS, AND ARTIFACTS
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**Assessment Codes**
MEANS OF ACCOMPLISHING STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:
This is primarily an online course. Outcomes will be achieved through student assignments, participation in discussion boards and group activities, review and analysis of written research articles and completion of a course project.

Discussion Boards – 30%
Quantitative Critique – 15%
Qualitative Critique – 15%
Evidence Based Research Paper/Video Presentation – 40% (Proctored Assignment)

ASSIGNMENT AND/OR COURSE OUTLINE
See your Instructor First Day Handout for individual instructor assignment schedule.