COURSE TITLE: Legal and Ethical Issues in Nursing Practice

COURSE NUMBER: NUR 3826

COURSE DESCRIPTION (with prerequisites):
This course is an introduction to contemporary ethical and legal issues encountered by health care providers in a wide array of settings. It will identify legal and ethical principles that create the underpinnings of decision-making in nursing and health care practice. 3-semester hours’ credit.

NAME(S) OF INSTRUCTORS:
Dr. Trilla A. Mays, Dean, School of Health Sciences

EFFECTIVE ACADEMIC YEAR:
2019-2020

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:
Grading Scale for Nursing Courses:
A – 90 – 100
B – 80 – 89
C – 75 - 79
D – 60 – 74
F – 59 or less

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 for all instructors to 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 effect the absence
or tardy may have on the grade. Refer to the Nursing Department Handbook for specifics on repeating nursing courses in the BSN program.

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, which 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 in regards 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.

Wendy Pippen, Associate Vice President of Human Resources, Equity Officer and Title IX Coordinator, 3094 Indian Circle, Marianna, FL 32446, Building A, Room 183C, 850-718-2269, pippenw@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 through the Library Resources link within your course in Canvas or by using the **Search** icon on the Chipola Library website at [www.chipola.edu/library](http://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 Learning Resources. The Canvas support hotline is available online in live chat and on the phone, toll-free, at 855-308-2812 for any issues 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 effective interpersonal relationship and leadership skills in the management concepts, decision making, delegation, and provision of high-quality nursing care in a variety of settings.
N2 Critically evaluate evidences-based findings from various sources, determine relevance and application to improve patient outcomes.
N3 Evaluate needs within various practices including acute care, long term care, and community settings and formulate teaching plans based on identified issues, and improved 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 Apply the nursing professional role and foundation, to promote effective team building in the delivery of health teaching and counseling skills throughout the lifespan of the client.
N6 Identify and deliver culturally sensitive care to diverse populations served within various practice settings.

Healthy People 2020
National Patient Safety Goals
ACEN Standards
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<td>• Describe scopes of practice and roles of health care team members.</td>
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<td>• Delineate general categories of errors and hazards in care.</td>
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Notes: **Assessment Codes**
- **BO** - Behavioral Observation
- **Cap Proj** - Capstone Course
- **CF** - Cumulative Final
- **Clin** - Clinicals
- **CP** - Case Plan
- **CS** - Case Study
- **DB** - Discussion Board
- **DE** - Documented Essays
- **E** - Essays
- **EX** - Dept Exam
- **Exp** - Experiments
- **F** - Final Exam
- **H** - Homework
- **Intern** - Internship
- **J** - Jury
- **JP** - Judged Perf/Exh
- **Obs** - Teacher Observ
- **OT** - Objective Tests
- **Port** - Portfolio
- **Prc** - Practicum
- **Pre/Post** - Pre-/Post-Tests
- **Proj** - Projects
- **PS** - Problem Solving
- **Q** - Quizzes
- **R** - Recital
- **RP** - Research Papers
- **RPT** - Report/Presentation
- **SD** - Skills Demonstration
- **SE** - Natl or State Standardized
- **Sk** - Ck Skills Check-Off
- **SP** - Skills Performance
- **T** - Tests
- **UT** - Unit Tests
- **W** - Writing Assignments

**MEANS OF ACCOMPLISHING STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

Assigned readings, discussion boards, scholarly papers, projects, presentations, and homework.
*Discussion Boards – 30%*
Power Point Presentation – 20% RN-BSN Portfolio Assignment
Scholarly Paper – 20%
Video Interview – 30% Proctored Assignment

**ASSIGNMENT AND/OR COURSE OUTLINE**

Late assignments are not accepted in this course. See your Instructor First Day Handout for individual instructor assignment schedule.