

**THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT TYLER  
COLLEGE OF NURSING**

**CONCEPTS AND THEORIES  
NURS 3205**

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**MASTER SCHEDULE**

All the Weeks Start on Tuesday at 9 am & end on Monday at 5 pm

Date	Unit	Topic	Assignments	Quizzes
09/01/09 (4-6 pm) Each campus instructor	1	IN CLASS Course Orientation; Blackboard Orientation; & Library Resources	Bring textbook and syllabus to class.  <b>Electronically Sign and Submit Affirmation and Recording Devices forms to Assignment Link.</b>  Begin Literature Search for Scholarly Nursing Journal – let your instructor know if you are having problems	Unit 1 Quiz Available 9am today until 5pm on 09/07/09
09/08/09 Hakim	2	Becoming a Nurse	Unit 1/2 GDB Assignment Your response due by 5pm on 09/14/09. Respond to two of your peers by 5pm on 09/21/09	Unit 2 Quiz Available 9am today until 5pm on 09/14/09
09/15/09 Hakim	3	Professional Writing Using APA Format - Use APA Manual as you listen to this week's lecture & Introduction of how to complete Scholarly Nursing Paper	<b>*Scholarly Nursing Journal Article due by 5pm on 09/14/09.</b> May be submitted earlier. (Submission after 5pm today results in 5 point deducted from Scholarly Nursing Paper) May submit article to <u>assignment link</u> under the Assignment Folder under Course Documents, email or hardcopy. <u>Save in PDF format if possible.</u>	APA Exam Available Until 5pm on 09/28/09 Counts as 5% of the grade; Can retake as often as needed until due date
09/22/09 Kraft	4	History & Social Context Educational Patterns	Remember to work on Scholarly Nursing Paper Due in 2 weeks	Unit 4 Quiz Available 9 am today until 5pm on 09/29/09
09/29/09 Kraft	5	Nursing Today Professionalization	Remember to work on Scholarly Nursing Paper Due in 1 week	Unit 5 Quiz Available 9 am today until 5pm on 10/05/09
10/06/09 Hakim	6	Critical Thinking Scope & Standards of Practice	<b>*Scholarly Nursing Paper Due by 5pm on 10/06/09</b> May be submitted earlier. Submission after 5pm today results in 10 points deducted for each day late. May submit paper to <u>assignment link</u> under the Assignment Folder in Course Documents, email or hardcopy. Save as RTF file.  Unit 5/6 GDB Assignment Your response due by 5pm on 10/12/09. Respond to two of your peers by 5pm on 10/19/09	Unit 6 Quiz Available 9 am today until 5pm on 10/12/09
10/13/09 Deardorff	7	Ethical Aspects of Nursing		Unit 7 Quiz Available 9am today until 5pm 10/19/09
10/20/09 Hakim	8	Legal Issues in Nursing		Legal/Jurisprudence Exam Available Until 5pm on 11/02/09. Counts as 5% of the course grade; can retake as often as needed until due date.
10/27/09 Hakim	9	Conceptual & Philosophical Bases	Start working on <b>Personal Nursing Philosophy</b> will be due in 2 weeks	Unit 9 Quiz. Available 9am today until 5pm on 11/02/09
<b>10/30/09</b>			<b>LAST DAY TO DROP WITH A "W"</b> recorded on your transcript	
11/03/09 Deardorff	10	Caring and Therapeutic use of Self	Remember to work on <b>Personal Nursing Philosophy</b> will be due in 1 week	Unit 10 Quiz Available 9am today until 5pm on 11/09/09
11/10/09 Kraft	11	Illness & Culture	<b>Personal Nursing Philosophy due by 5pm on 11/10/09.</b> May be submitted earlier. Submission after 5 pm today results in 5 points deducted for each day late. May submit paper to assignment link under Assignment Folder in Course Documents, email or hardcopy. Save as RTF file.  Unit 10/11 GDG Assignment Your answer due by 5pm on 11/16/09. Respond to two of your peers by 5pm on 11/23/09	Unit 11 Quiz Available 9am today until 5pm 11/16/09
11/17/09 Deardorff	12	Nursing Theory		Unit 12 Quiz Available 9am today until 5pm on 11/23/09
11/24/09			<b>HAPPY THANKSGIVING</b>	
12/01/09 Deardorff	13	Science of Nursing & Evidence Based Practice.		Unit 13 Quiz Available 9am today until 5pm 12/07/09
12/08/09 Hakim	14	Political Activism Future Challenges		Unit 14 Quiz Available 9am today until 5pm 12/14/09
12/15/09	15	Complete Faculty & Course Evaluations		

NURS 3205 - Concepts and Theories in Nursing

### **SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS**

Two (2) hours didactic

### **PREREQUISITES**

Permission from Pre-Nursing Advisor.

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Theories and concepts related to nursing as a discipline are presented. Emphasis is on the four main concepts of person, environment, health, and nursing. Course assignments facilitate development of critical thinking skills, written communication skills, self-awareness, and the professional values that are fundamental to the profession.

### **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

Upon successful completion of the course, students will:

1. Analyze the elements of reasoning that involve critical thinking as it applies to the nursing care of the patient.
2. Explore transcultural communication in nursing.
3. Integrate indicators of professionalism into personal behaviors.
4. Discuss the role of research in nursing practice.
5. Identify the major concepts in nursing.
6. Define and differentiate nursing and non-nursing theories useful in nursing practice.
7. Describe the functions of the nurse in a variety of professional roles.
8. Relate the philosophical components of interpersonal caring to the practice of professional nursing.
9. Relate the historical, moral, bioethical, and legal aspects of professional nursing to the changing health needs of society.

### **REQUIRED TEXTS**

American Psychological Association. (2001). *Publication manual of the American Psychological Association* (5<sup>th</sup> ed.). Washington, DC: Author. (ISBN: 1-555798-810-2)

American Nurses Association. (2004). *Nursing: Scope & standards of practice*. Washington, DC: Author. (ISBN: 1-55810-215-9)

Chitty, K. K., & Black, B.P. (2007). *Professional nursing: Concepts and challenges* (5<sup>th</sup> ed.). St. Louis, MO: Elsevier Saunders. (978-1-4160-4473-4)

College of Nursing and Health Sciences. (Current edition). *Guide for baccalaureate students*. The University of Texas at Tyler. (The *Guide* can be accessed online at

<http://www.uttyler.edu/nursing/undergrad/documents/BaccalaureateStudentGuideF08.pdf>.