

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

**NURS 4334
ISSUES IN PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE
SYLLABUS**

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WEB Based

**NURS 4334 - Issues in Professional Practice
CLASS SCHEDULE
SUMMER 2009**

| DATE | UNIT | TOPIC |
|-----------------|---------------------|---|
| 5/18/09 | Unit 1 | Concepts of Human Caring Values Clarification and Development |
| 5/25/09 | Unit 2 | Ethical Principles and Theories |
| 6/1/09 | Unit 3 | Legal Issues |
| 6/8/09 | Unit 4 | Ethical Decision Making |
| 6/15/09 | EXAM 1 @ 9AM | |
| 6/15/09 | Unit 5 | Economic Issues Issues Related to Technology |
| 6/22/09 | Unit 6 | Self-Determination Issues Scholarship Issues |
| 6/29/09 | Unit 7 | ETHICS PAPER DUE BY 5PM Trans-cultural and Spiritual Issues Social and Gender Related Issues |
| 7/6/09 | EXAM 2 @ 9AM | |
| 7/6/09 | Unit 8 | Professional & Relationship Issues Empowerment for Patients and Nurses |
| 7/13/09 | Unit 9 | Global Consciousness in the 21 st Century Health Policy Issues |
| 7/20/09 | Unit 10 | Nurse Practice Act |
| 7/27/09 or 7/28 | QUIZ 3 @ 9AM | |

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TITLE

NURS 4334: Issues in Professional Practice

SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS

Three (3) hours didactic

PREREQUISITES

Successful completion of all courses through Semester III for generic and LVN students.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The student will analyze theoretical and pragmatic legal-ethical issues regarding professional nursing and health care. Emphasis is on an understanding of the nurse as a professional who embraces lifelong learning, incorporates professionalism into practice and internalizes the values of the profession.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon successful completion of the course, students will have demonstrated the ability to:

1. Appraise health care issues through utilization of the processes of critical thinking and interpersonal caring.
2. Utilize nursing knowledge and decision-making process to address contemporary issues and problems in health care.
3. Analyze the level of self-knowledge needed to carry out the professional role and leadership skills necessary to delivery of care in a complex society.
4. Apply the skills of self-directed negotiation, planning, goal setting, and implementation in leading and participation in a professional seminar.
5. Synthesize professional standards that support moral/ethical/legal principles.
6. Debate moral/ethical/legal/regulatory issues that impact nursing practice and the health care delivery system.
7. Assume responsibility for continuing professional development.

REQUIRED TEXTS

SYLLABUS: NURS 4334: Summer 2009-- Issues in Professional Practice- will be in Blackboard

TEXTBOOK: Burkhardt, M. A., & Nathaniel, A. K. (2008). *Ethics & issue in contemporary nursing* (3rd ed.). United States: Delmar Thompson Learning.

American Psychological Association. (2008). *Publication manual of the American psychological association* (5th ed.). Washington DC: Author.

American Nurses Association. (2004). *Nursing scope & standards of practice*. Washington DC: Author.

SCANTRONS: The correct scantron for nursing is Form **F-17355-PAR-L** (there are 2 of the same color so make sure you get this one)

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