



**Information Systems Life Cycle
NURS 5385
Fall 2025 (First Flex Session)**

Scheduled Class Days and Times: Online

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Course Description: This course is focused on preparing the students for all facets of information system procurement and implementation. A primary focus of the course is on the tactical skills and competencies required to implement information systems in various healthcare settings. This course prepares the student to function as a project team member during the implementation of a clinical information system and to participate in system evaluation and maintenance.

Prerequisites: None

Student Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Integrate scientific knowledge and theories from nursing and related disciplines into advanced nursing practice;
2. Apply organizational and systems leadership principles and methods for the promotion and evaluation of quality, ethical, and safe patient care;
3. Translate, integrate, and disseminate scientific evidence into practice;
4. Utilize technologies to deliver, enhance, integrate, and coordinate communication, education, and patient care;
5. Intervene at the systems level through the policy development process and employ advocacy strategies to influence health care;
6. Manage care through collaboration with other health care professional as a member and leader of health care teams; and

7. Integrate organizational client centered concepts to provide preventive and population-based care.

Required Textbooks and Readings:

McGonigle, D. & Mastrian, K. G. (2025) *Nursing informatics and the foundation of knowledge 6th edition*. Burlington, MA: Jones & Bartlett Learning

ISBN-10: 1284293432

ISBN-13: 978-1284293432

Used or Rental is acceptable – no requirement to use online resources

This text is used in NURS 5381, 5383, 5385, & 5387

American Nurses Association (2022). *Nursing Informatics: Scope and Standards of Practice, 3rd Edition*. Silver Springs, MD: American Nurses Association

ISBN-10: 1953985009

ISBN-13: 978-1953985002

Used is acceptable – no requirement to use online resources

This text is used in NURS 5381, 5383, 5385, & 5387

All students need to load and install Microsoft Office 365 desktop for PC/Mac. Instructions will be found in Canvas.

Other learning materials will be provided in the Canvas course.

Recommended Textbooks and Readings:

American Psychological Association. (2020). *Publication manual of the American Psychological Association* (7th ed.). Washington, D.C.: Author.

ISBN-13: 9781433832161

Note: the APA 7th edition Online Manual is now available to all students for **free!**

at <https://stylemanual.apa.org/dashboard>. Scroll to the bottom section “Open Athens” and select the University of Texas at Tyler from the drop-down menu. You will then be able to login with your UTT username and password. The e-book allows you to highlight and make bookmarks. There are even lessons available on how to do common tasks.

Assignments and Weights/Percentage/Point Values

Criteria for Evaluation	Percentage Weight of Grade
Discussions	25%
Module Quizzes	25%
Application Assignments	50%
Total	100%

Grading Scale:

Specific guidelines and grading criteria for all assignments are in the Modules. Final grades for the course will be determined based upon the following point assignments:

- A - 90-100
- B - 80-89
- C - 70-79
- D - 60-69
- F - Below 60

Grades will not be rounded when calculating the average (79.5 is not rounded to 80, and 89.5 is not rounded to 90). Students are required to achieve an average of 80% (B) to complete the course successfully.

Although the university policy allows 60 days for grade appeals, the School of Nursing follows a stricter timeline of 10 days to facilitate students' timely progression through the curriculum. In the case of extenuating circumstances, please consult the Associate Dean of Academic Affairs for guidance.

Academic Integrity: Cheating of any kind, as defined in Section 8 of the UT Tyler Manual of Policies and Procedures (MOPP) for Student Affairs (<https://www.uttyler.edu/mopp/>), will not be tolerated. Consequences may include:

- reprimand
- exam failure
- course failure
- expulsion from the Nursing program
- expulsion from the University
- other consequences as assigned

Exam and homework materials, questions, and problems are the intellectual property of faculty, UT Tyler, or publishers.

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- Distributing or uploading them to online resources destroys the integrity of the assignment and the course, allowing others an unfair advantage by letting them view the materials.
- Uploading these materials to online resources is a violation of UT Tyler's academic misconduct policies and may result in formal conduct charges.
- Sanctions for uploading or otherwise divulging the contents of these materials can include:
 - a reduced or failing grade on an assignment
 - a reduced or failing grade for the course
 - removal from the Nursing program
 - removal from UT Tyler

Late Policy: 5% will be deducted each day an assignment is past due unless prior arrangements have been made with your course faculty. Extenuating circumstances may apply.

Repeating a Course: Students repeating this course may not use previously submitted assignments nor utilize the same patients for an assignment. Submitting the same or slightly modified assignments from previous semesters is considered self-plagiarism and is subject to academic discipline, including failing the assignment or the course.

Attendance and Make-up Policy: Attendance/participation is expected. Make-up for exams, quizzes, assignments, and missed clinical time is at the instructor's discretion.

Graded Course Requirements Information:

The following is an overview of the major graded assignments.

Discussions: Discussion Board assignments cover topics of importance in nursing informatics related to course content. Responses to peers should be substantial. When discussion boards or peer responses must follow a certain format, the details are provided in the instructions and rubric.

Module Quizzes: Most modules will have quizzes addressing content covered in the required videos and readings. The module quizzes may be taken as many times as the student wishes (unless specified otherwise). There is no time limit to each attempt however, there is no save and return function. A minimum of 80 out of 100 possible points is expected for successful completion.

Application Assignments: Application assignments use computer or web-based applications used by informaticists. A scenario or set of instructions is provided for the student to get hands-on practice using the applications.

Please Note: Detailed information, along with grading rubrics for course assignments, will be provided in Canvas.

Important Course Dates:

Classes Begin: August 28, 2025

Census Date (withdraw without penalty): September 4, 2025

Last Date to Withdraw: October 1, 2025.

Students, please notify your course faculty and contact your advisor.

Final Exam: N/A

Course Topics

Assignments may be based on current events in nursing informatics and are subject to change by instructors. Go to the Syllabus Page in Canvas for links.

Module Information	Dates	Topics
Module 1 Welcome & Introductions	Week 1	Introductions, Overview, Objectives & Assessments
Module 2 Project Management	Week 2	Project management, project life cycles, project planning overview, project monitoring, and team management
Module 3 System Development Life Cycle: Planning & Analysis	Week 3	Components of Health IT systems, information exchange, and software development life cycle
Module 4 System Development Life Cycle: Design & Build	Week 4	Technology and engineering, human factors, usability, clinical decision support, safety, and information visualization
Module 5 System Development Life Cycle: Implement & Testing	Week 5	Privacy, security, and confidentiality, health IT in the future, system interfaces, pilot testing, and deployment
Module 6 System Development Life Cycle: Monitoring, Maintaining, Supporting & Evaluating	Week 6	Maintenance, troubleshooting, and upgrades
Module 7 Care Coordination	Week 7	Informaticist's impact on care coordination and interoperability.

School of Nursing Policies and Additional Information:

https://www.uttyler.edu/nursing/college/student_guide_and_policies.php

Student Resources and University Policies are provided in Canvas.

University Guidelines on the Use of Artificial Intelligence applications by faculty and students

UT Tyler is committed to exploring and using artificial intelligence (AI) tools as appropriate for the discipline and task undertaken. We encourage discussing AI tools' ethical, societal, philosophical, and disciplinary implications. All uses of AI should be acknowledged as this aligns with our commitment to honor and integrity, as noted in UT Tyler's Honor Code. Faculty and students must not use protected information, data, or copyrighted materials when using any AI tool. Additionally, users should be aware that AI tools rely on predictive models to generate content that may appear correct but is sometimes shown to be incomplete, inaccurate, taken without attribution from other sources, and/or biased. Consequently, an AI tool should not be considered a substitute for traditional approaches to research. You are ultimately responsible for the quality and content of the information you submit. Misusing AI tools that violate the guidelines specified for this course (see below) is considered a breach of academic integrity. The student will be subject to disciplinary actions as outlined in UT Tyler's Academic Integrity Policy.

For this course AI is encouraged during the course, and appropriate acknowledgment is expected. You are encouraged to explore using artificial intelligence (AI) tools, such as Copilot, for assignments and assessments. Any such use must be appropriately acknowledged and cited, following the guidelines established by the APA Style Guide, including the specific version of the tool used. The submitted work should include the exact prompt you used to generate the content and the AI's complete response as an appendix. Because AI-generated content is not necessarily accurate or appropriate, you must assess the validity and applicability of any submitted AI output. You will not earn full credit if inaccurate, invalid, or inappropriate information is found in your work.

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