

Prairie View A&M University
College of Nursing – Graduate Program

Course Syllabus – Spring 2024

- Course Number and Title:** NURS 5204 – Role Theory & Ethics in Advanced Practice Nursing
- Number of Credits:** Two (2) Semester Hours
- Pre-requisites:** Permission of the Instructor
- Catalog Description:** Role theory is utilized for analyzing the dimensions of the role of the APN. Competencies of the APN are examined. Ethical decision-making models are explored to promote role transition and integration. The legal bases of the role are also presented.
- Faculty:** Emilia Cordero MS, RN, ANP-c EdD-c
- Course Outcomes:** Upon completion of the course the student will be able to:
1. Compare and contrast the APN role with other models of advanced nursing practice within the primary health care framework.
 2. Discuss ethical-legal issues associated with health care delivery in underserved clients in urban and rural settings.
 3. Evaluate legal and ethical aspects of decision making from both a personal and professional perspective.
 4. Develop and integrate a personal philosophy regarding the role of the family nurse practitioner in various health care settings, including ethical and legal implications of the APN role.
- Methods of Instruction:** Group discussions, debates, presentations, and quizzes

Evaluation:	Ethics Case Study Group Presentation	30%
	FNP shadowing activity/presentation	15%
	TBA	15%
	Discussion Postings	40%
	TOTAL	100%

Grading: Course work for graduate is reported as follows:

A=	90-100
B=	81-89
C=	75-80
D=	65-74
F=	below 65
I=	Incomplete
W=	Withdrew officially or withdrew passing

Required References: Joel, L.A. (2018). *Advanced practice nursing essentials for role development. (4th ed.)*. Philadelphia: F. A. Davis Company. ISBN: 9780803627857

American Psychological Association. (2010). *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (6th Ed.)*. Washington, D.C.: APA. ISBN: 9781433805615

University Rules and Procedures

Disability statement (See Student Handbook):

Students with disabilities, including learning disabilities, who wish to request accommodations in class should register with the Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) early in the semester so that appropriate arrangements may be made. In accordance with federal laws, a student requesting special accommodations must provide documentation of their disability to the SSD coordinator.

Academic misconduct (See Student Handbook):

You are expected to practice academic honesty in every aspect of this course and all other courses. Make sure you are familiar with your Student Handbook, especially the section on academic misconduct. Students who engage in academic misconduct are subject to university disciplinary procedures.

Forms of academic dishonesty:

1. Cheating: deception in which a student misrepresents that he/she has mastered information on an academic exercise that he/she has not mastered; giving or receiving aid unauthorized by the instructor on assignments or examinations.

2. Academic misconduct: tampering with grades or taking part in obtaining or distributing any part of a scheduled test.
3. Fabrication: use of invented information or falsified research.
4. Plagiarism: unacknowledged quotation and/or paraphrase of someone else's words, ideas, or data as one's own in work submitted for credit. Failure to identify information or essays from the Internet and submitting them as one's own work also constitutes plagiarism.

Nonacademic misconduct (See Student Handbook)

The university respects the rights of instructors to teach and students to learn. Maintenance of these rights requires campus conditions that do not impede their exercise. Campus behavior that interferes with either (1) the instructor's ability to conduct the class, (2) the inability of other students to profit from the instructional program, or (3) campus behavior that interferes with the rights of others will not be tolerated. An individual engaging in such disruptive behavior may be subject to disciplinary action. Such incidents will be adjudicated by the Dean of Students under nonacademic procedures.

Sexual misconduct (See Student Handbook):

Sexual harassment of students and employers at Prairie View A&M University is unacceptable and will not be tolerated. Any member of the university community violating this policy will be subject to disciplinary action.

Attendance Policy:

Prairie View A&M University requires regular class attendance. Excessive absences will result in lowered grades. Excessive absenteeism, whether excused or unexcused, may result in a student's course grade being reduced or in assignment of a grade of "F". Absences are accumulated beginning with the first day of class.

Student Academic Appeals Process

Authority and responsibility for assigning grades to students rests with the faculty. However, in those instances where students believe that miscommunication, errors, or unfairness of any kind may have adversely affected the instructor's assessment of their academic performance, the student has a right to appeal by the procedure listed in the Undergraduate Catalog and by doing so within thirty days of receiving the grade or experiencing any other problematic academic event that prompted the complaint.

Pregnancy

No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

Any pregnant students, or students planning to become pregnant, should consult with their health care provider to determine what, if any, additional precautions are needed

based on their individual situation. It is the responsibility of the student to communicate their needs to the Dean of the College of Nursing, Academic Programs as soon as possible in order for risk-reduction to begin when it can be most effective, and to determine if additional steps are necessary. While the college cannot mandate the student notify the college she is pregnant or planning to become pregnant, the college strongly recommends students provide notification so appropriate steps can be taken to insure the health of both parent and child. To communicate health circumstances or to request additional information, please contact the course instructor.

Technical Considerations for Online and Web-Assist Courses

Minimum Hardware and Software Requirements:

- Pentium with Windows XP or PowerMac with OS 9
- 56K modem or network access
- Internet provider with SLIP or PPP
- 8X or greater CD-ROM
- 64MB RAM
- Hard drive with 40MB available space
- 15" monitor, 800x600, color or 16 bit
- Sound card w/speakers
- Microphone and recording software
- Keyboard & mouse
- Netscape Communicator ver. 4.61 or Microsoft Internet Explorer ver. 5.0 /plug-ins
- Participants should have a basic proficiency of the following computer skills:
 - Sending and receiving email
 - A working knowledge of the Internet
 - Proficiency in Microsoft Word
 - Proficiency in the Acrobat PDF Reader
 - Basic knowledge of Windows or Mac O.S.

NOTE: You will need access to a webcam and microphone if your computer/laptop does not presently have one as an accessory.

Netiquette (online etiquette): students are expected to participate in all discussions and virtual classroom chats when directed to do so. Students are to be respectful and courteous to others in the discussions. Foul or abusive language will not be tolerated. When referring to information from books, websites or articles, please use APA standards to reference sources.

Technical Support: Students should call the Prairie View A&M University Helpdesk at 936-261-2525 for technical issues with accessing your online course. The helpdesk is available 24 hours a day/7 days a week. For other technical questions regarding your online course, call the Office of Distance Learning at 936-261-3290 or 936-261-3282

Communication Expectations and Standards:

All emails or discussion postings will receive a response from the instructor within 48 hours (Monday through Friday).

You can send email anytime that is convenient to you, but I check my email messages continuously during the day throughout the work-week (Monday through Friday). I will respond to email messages during the work-week by the close of business (5:00 pm) on the day following my receipt of them. Emails that I receive on Friday will be responded to by the close of business on the following Monday.

Submission of Assignments:

Assignments, Papers, Exercises, and Projects will distributed and submitted through your online course. Directions for accessing your online course will be provided. Additional assistance can be obtained from the Office of Distance Learning.

Discussion Requirement:

We will participate in conversations about the readings, lectures, materials, and other aspects of the course in a true seminar fashion. We will accomplish this by use of the discussion board.

Students are required to log-on to the course website often to participate in discussion. It is strongly advised that you check the discussion area daily to keep abreast of discussions. When a topic is posted, everyone is required to participate. The exact use of discussion will be determined by the instructor.

It is strongly suggested that students type their discussion postings in a word processing application and save it to their PC or a removable drive before posting to the discussion board. This is important for two reasons: 1) If for some reason your discussion responses are lost in your online course, you will have another copy; 2) Grammatical errors can be greatly minimized by the use of the spell-and-grammar check functions in word processing applications. Once the post(s) have been typed and corrected in the word processing application, it should be copied and pasted to the discussion board.

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