NorthWest Arkansas Community College
Division of Health Professions

Course Number and Title
NURS 9323 Nursing Care Of Childbearing Families

Catalog Description
Nursing Care of Childbearing Families applies nursing theory to the care of childbearing families. The course incorporates communication, collaboration, caring, and clinical reasoning/nursing judgment necessary for safe, patient-centered nursing care to women, newborns, and their families. Integrates evidence-based practice, quality improvement, professional standards, and legal and ethical responsibilities of the nurse. Application of knowledge and skills occurs in the nursing skills laboratory and a variety of healthcare settings.

Prerequisites
MATH 1204 College Algebra ***or*** MATH 1103 Survey of College Math
BIOL 2214 Anatomy and Physiology I
BIOL 2224 Anatomy and Physiology II
MBIO 2014 General Microbiology
ENGL 1013 English Composition I
PSYC 2003 General Psychology
PSYC 2103 Human Growth and Development
3 hours College Level Transferable Elective
NURS 9108 Fundamentals of Nursing
NURS 9206 Nursing Care of Adults I

Co-requisites
ENGL 1023 English Composition II
NURS 9305 Nursing Care of Adults II

Credit hours
Credit hours: 3
Theory: 2 hours
Clinical/Lab: 1 hour

Target Audience/Transferability
Students apply for and are selected for admission into the Nursing Program. While licensure as a Registered Nurse is an end-goal for some individuals, all AAS Nursing graduates are eligible to seek advanced placement towards a BSN degree at most colleges and universities.

COURSE OUTCOMES (CO)

1. Apply maternal-newborn and family nursing theory to provide safe, quality, evidence-based, patient-centered nursing care to women, newborns, and their families in a variety of healthcare settings.

2. Apply clinical reasoning/nursing judgment to make patient-centered care decisions and to function within the complex healthcare environment when caring for women, newborns, and their families.

3. Select quality improvement processes to use to improve care when caring for women, newborns, and their families.

4. Engage in collaboration and teamwork with members of the interprofessional team, the patient, and the patient's support persons when caring for women, newborns, and their families.

5. Apply information management principles, techniques, and systems, and patient care technology to communicate, manage knowledge, mitigate error, and support decision-making when caring for women, newborns, and their families.

6. Apply management, legal, and ethical guidelines in practice as a professional nurse when caring for women, newborns, and their families.

7. Promote a culture of caring to provide holistic, compassionate patient care.

The Course Outcomes (CO) for Fundamentals of Nursing are the basic level of expected achievement toward meeting the NorthWest Arkansas Community College Program Outcomes (PO).

Topics

Nursing Care of the Childbearing Family:

Basic Concepts of Maternity Nursing
Nursing Care in the Antepartal Period
Nursing Care in the Intrapartal Period
Nursing Care in the Postpartal Period
Nursing Care of the Normal Newborn
Nursing Care of the High Risk Pregnant Patient
Nursing Care of the High Risk Intrapartal and Postpartal Patient
Nursing Care of the High Risk Newborn

TEACHING METHODS:

This course will include the following methods/approaches to teaching: audio lecture,

class and blackboard discussion, audio-visuals, web-enhanced activities, active learning activities, clinical/simulation training, post-conferences, independent reading, and observational experiences.