



## RNSG 2138 Professional Nursing Concepts IV - Hybrid

Course Syllabus: Spring 2026 Nights

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*(hours may vary and will be posted)*

***This syllabus serves as the documentation for all course policies and requirements, assignments, and instructor/student responsibilities.***

*Information relative to the delivery of the content contained in this syllabus is subject to change. Should that happen, the student will be notified.*

**Course Description:** Integration of professional nursing concepts and exemplars within the professional nursing roles. Synthesizes concepts of clinical judgment, ethical-legal, evidenced-based practice, leadership and management, patient-centered care, professionalism, safety, and team/collaboration through exemplars presented in the HCC course. Emphasizes the concept of quality improvement and introduces health policy. Incorporates concepts into role development of the professional nurse. This course lends itself to a concept-based approach.

**Credit hours:** 1 credit hour.

**Lecture/Lab/Clinical:**

Prerequisite(s): RNSG 2363, RNSG 1137, RNSG 1538

Co-requisite(s): RNSG 2361, RNSG 2539

### **Student Learning Outcomes/Course Level Outcomes:**

Upon completion of this course, the student will:

1. Integrate the attributes and roles of the professional nurse into practice. (DEC I.A, I.B, I.C)
2. Use clinical reasoning and evidence-based practice outcomes as the basis for decision-making and comprehensive, safe patient-centered care. (DEC II.A, II.B, II.C, III.C)
3. Integrate principles of quality improvement and safety into nursing practice. (DEC III.A, III.B, III.C)
4. Justify decisions based on legal-ethical parameters for professional nursing practice. (DEC I.A, I. B, II.E, III.A, III.E)
5. Demonstrate professional comportment. (DEC I.D, IV.A)
6. Engage in effective professional collaboration in the delivery of healthcare for quality patient outcomes. (DEC II.C, II.H, III.F, IV.A, IV.B, IV.E, IV.F, IV.G)

### **Evaluation/Grading Policy:**

A minimum overall grade of "C" is required in all Academic and Nursing courses before using that course as a prerequisite for the next course in sequence. Academic courses (English, Ethics, etc.)

typically work from a grade of 70 or higher for “C”. In preparation for the State Board examination, the letter grade assigned to all Nursing courses shall be determined as follows:

A = 90 – 100

B = 80 – 89

C = 78 – 79

F = 77.9 and below

The average of the exam grades, including the final exam, must be 78% or above to pass the course. Grades will not be rounded when calculating the average (77.5 – 77.9 is not rounded to 78).

**Posting of grades:** Exam grades will be posted within 72 hours after sitting for the exam and assignments within 7 calendar days from when the student turned in the assignment. Extensive or time-intensive assignments may require additional time for grading (e. g. Head-to-Toe videos). In such cases, the instructor may extend the grade posting deadline and will notify students of the timeframe.

Late work will be graded, then ten points will be deducted for each day the assignment is late, up to three days. After the third day, the grade will remain a zero; however, all assignments are required to be completed in order to proceed to the next level of the program, or to graduate.

The grade earned in this course will be based on the following criteria:

Course Module Quizzes x 6.....	20%
Self-Care Reflections x 4.....	10%
Virtual ATI/Capstone.....	10%
UWorld Completion.....	10%
SIM assignments x 2.....	20%
Chart Review Assignment (Final).....	20%
<u>Other assignments.....</u>	<u>10%</u>
Total.....	100%

### **ATI Capstone and Virtual ATI:**

A course requirement for RNSG 2138 is the ATI Capstone and Virtual ATI which will constitute 10% of the total grade for this course. This content is accessed through [www.atitesting.com](http://www.atitesting.com) and is led by a masters-prepared nurse educator provided by ATI. Please refer to the posted policy in Blackboard for these products regarding grading policy and required modules, which involves completing all modules *through* the Leadership Module.

### **UWorld:**

UWorld testing platform is designed to give the student maximum NCLEX preparation. UWorld is a required component of this course. Students are required to complete 2600 questions from the UWorld Qbank prior to graduation. Failure to do so will result in an “incomplete” for the course until completed. The student will also receive a grade on a UWorld comprehensive predictor exam at the end of the course.

### **UWorld recommendations:**

The greatest predictor of NCLEX success is a 57% or higher overall score for the QBank and a Comprehensive Predictor score of High or Very High chance of passing NCLEX the first try.

### **Required Instructional Materials:**

- ADN Nursing Faculty. (2026). *Syllabus*. Northeast Texas Community College.

- Nurse Tim. (2024). *Lippincott Client Cases for Clinical Judgment* [Digital access]. Wolters Kluwer Health / Lippincott Williams & Wilkins.
- Nursing: *A Concept-based Approach to Learning* (4rd edition, Volume 1), (2022). Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson.
- Nursing: *A Concept-based Approach to Learning* (4rd edition, Volume 2), (2022). Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson.
- Nursing: *A Concept-based Approach to Learning* (4rd edition, Volume 3), (2022). Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson.
- Ogden, S. J. & Fluharty, L. K. (2016). *Calculation of Drug Dosages*. (11th ed.). St. Louis: Mosby Elsevier.
- Publication Manual American Psychological Association. (2020). 7th Edition
- Yoder-Wise, P (2019). *Leading and Managing in Nursing*. (7th Edition). St Louis, MO: Elsevier
- Yoost, B.L., & Crawford L.R. (2020). *Fundamentals of Nursing, Active Learning for Collaborative Practice*. (2nd ed.). St. Louis, MO: Elsevier.
- UWorld, ATI and Pearson MyLab Nursing are required

#### **Recommended Textbooks:**

- Hargrove-Huttel, R. A. & Cadenhead Colgrove, K. (2014). *Prioritization Delegation & Management of Care for NCLEX RN Exam*. Philadelphia, PA: F.A. Davis.
- Hinkle, J., Bruner, & Sudarth's (2018). *Textbook of Medical-Surgical Nursing* (14th ed.). Philadelphia, PA: Wolters Kluwer.
- Jarvis, C. (2019). *Physical Examination & Health Assessment* (8<sup>th</sup> ed.). Saint Louis, Missouri: Elsevier.
- Jarvis, C. (2019). *Physical Examination & Health Assessment Pocket Companion* (8th ed.). St. Louis, Missouri: Elsevier.
- Silvestri, L. A. (2017). *Saunders comprehensive review for NCLEX-RN*. (7th ed.). London: W.B. Saunders.
- Leeuwen, A.V; Bladh, M.L. (2017). *Davis's Comprehensive Handbook of Laboratory & Diagnostic Tests with Nursing Implications*. (7th ed.). Philadelphia, PA: F.A. Davis Company.

#### **Optional Instructional Materials:**

- Karch, A.M. (2017). *Focus on Nursing Pharmacology* (7th ed.). Philadelphia, PA: Wolters Kluwer.
- Marquis, B., & Huston, C. (2018).
- *Leadership Roles and Management Functions in Nursing* (9th ed.). Philadelphia, PA: Wolters Kluwer.
- Videbeck, L. (2017). *Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing* (7th ed.). Philadelphia, PA: Wolters Kluwer.

#### **Recommended Reading(s):**

- NCSBN
- Texas Board of Nursing website
- Current Nursing Dictionary/Encyclopedia
- Texas Nurse Practice Act
- *Healthy People 2030*
- American Nurse Association Code of Ethics

#### **Minimum Technology Requirements:**

- Daily high-speed internet access
- Microsoft Word
- Power point

**Required Computer Literacy Skills:**

- Word Processing skills
- Email skills

**Institutional/Course Policy:** For any other institutional or course policy, refer to the student handbook.

**Classroom Expectations:** Please see student handbook.

**Alternate Operations During Campus Closure and/or Alternate Course Delivery Requirements**

In the event of an emergency or announced campus closure due to a natural disaster or pandemic, it is necessary for Northeast Texas Community College to move to altered operations. During this time, Northeast Texas Community College may opt to continue delivery of instruction through methods that include, but are not limited to, online through the Blackboard Learning Management System, online conferencing, email messaging, and/or an alternate schedule. It is the responsibility of the student to monitor NTCC's website (<http://www.ntcc.edu/>) for instructions about continuing courses remotely, Blackboard for each class for course-specific communication, and NTCC email for important general information.

Additionally, there may be instances where a course may not be able to be continued in the same delivery format as it originates (face-to-face, fully online, live remote, or hybrid). Should this be the case, every effort will be made to continue instruction in an alternative delivery format. Students will be informed of any changes of this nature through email messaging and/or the Blackboard course site.

**Statement Regarding the Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) Technology:**

Absent a clear statement from a course instructor, use of or consultation with generative AI shall be treated analogously to assistance from another person (collusion). Generative AI is a subset of AI that utilizes machine learning models to create new, original content, such as images, text, or music, based on patterns and structures learned from existing data (Cornell, Center for Teaching Innovation). Unauthorized use of generative AI tools to complete an assignment or exam is not permitted. Students should acknowledge the use of generative AI and default to disclosing such assistance when in doubt. Individual course instructors may set their own policies regulating the use of generative AI tools in their courses, including allowing or disallowing some or all uses of such tools. Students who are unsure of policies regarding generative AI tools are encouraged to ask their instructors for clarification. **(Adapted from the Stanford University Office of Community Standards-- accessed August 31, 2023)**

**NTCC Academic Honesty/Ethics Statement:**

NTCC upholds the highest standards of academic integrity. The college expects all students to engage in their academic pursuits in an honest manner that is beyond reproach using their intellect and resources designated as allowable by the course instructor. Students are responsible for addressing questions about allowable resources with the course instructor. Academic dishonesty such as cheating, plagiarism, and collusion is unacceptable and may result in disciplinary action. This course will follow the NTCC Academic Honesty and Academic Ethics policies stated in the Student Handbook. Refer to the student handbook for more information on these subjects.

**ADA Statement:**

It is the policy of NTCC to provide reasonable accommodations for qualified individuals who are students with disabilities. This College will adhere to all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and guidelines with respect to providing reasonable accommodations as required to afford

equal educational opportunity. It is the student's responsibility to request accommodations. An appointment can be made with the Academic Advisor/Coordinator of Special Populations located in Student Services and can be reached at 903-434-8264. For more information and to obtain a copy of the Request for Accommodations, please refer to the special populations page on the NTCC website.

**Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA):**

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. The law applies to all schools that receive funds under an applicable program of the U.S. Department of Education. FERPA gives parents certain rights with respect to their children's educational records. These rights transfer to the student when he or she attends a school beyond the high school level. Students to whom the rights have transferred are considered "eligible students." In essence, a parent has no legal right to obtain information concerning the child's college records without the written consent of the student. In compliance with FERPA, information classified as "directory information" may be released to the general public without the written consent of the student unless the student makes a request in writing. Directory information is defined as: the student's name, permanent address and/or local address, telephone listing, dates of attendance, most recent previous education institution attended, other information including major, field of study, degrees, awards received, and participation in officially recognized activities/sports.