A. Course Description

Credits: 3

Prerequisites: NURS 270 Health Promotion and the Role of the Professional Nurse AND NURS 275 Nutrition and the Role of the Professional Nurse OR NURS 272 Transition to the Role of the Professional Nurse

Lab Hours/ Weeks: Corequisites: None

Lecture Hours/ Week :

MnTC Goals: None

This course introduces theoretical concepts that enable students to provide safe and effective care related to pharmaceuticals and natural products to diverse clients across the lifespan. A framework is presented for approaching the study of pharmacotherapeutics including pharmaceutical research and regulation, quality and safety, major drug classifications, and clinical management.

B. Course Effective Dates: 12/18/2018 - Present

C. Outline of Major Content Areas:

See Course Description for major content areas.

D. Learning Outcomes (General)

1. Demonstrate knowledge of pharmacotherapeutics related to complex medication administration, safety and efficacy.
2. Identify the roles of the professional nurse as part of the interdisciplinary team in relation to medication administration.
3. Develop a framework of clinical decision making based on the nursing process to guide safe medication administration.
4. Utilize evidence-based resources to access pertinent information about pharmaceuticals and natural products.
5. Discuss the cultural and ethical aspects in pharmacology.
6. Describe the process of pharmaceutical approval and regulation.

E. Learning Outcomes (MN Transfer Curriculum)

This contains no goal areas.

G. Special Information

Corequisite: NURS 280 AND NURS 285.