Metropolitan State University

NURS 751 : Health Policy and Advocacy

A. Course Description

Credits: 3

Prerequisites:
   HSCI 648 Designing for Quality in Health Care AND
   NURS 607 Family Health Nursing AND
   NURS 703 Evidence-Based Practice

Lab Hours/ Weeks: Corequisites: None

Lecture Hours/ Week :

MnTC Goals: None

This course focuses on the analysis of regulations and policies that impact health and health care. Students analyze health issues and the social, economic, and political implications of current and proposed policies. Students compare health policies and health outcomes within a global context to evaluate alternative approaches to advancing health equity. Students learn to develop and pursue appropriate strategies to influence policy makers and educate others.

B. Course Effective Dates: 12/15/2013 - Present

C. Outline of Major Content Areas:

See Course Description for major content areas.

D. Learning Outcomes (General)

1. Demonstrate an understanding of the interdependence of policy and practice.
2. Analyze the ethical, legal, social, cultural, economic and political implications of addressing a health issue with a policy strategy.
3. Analyze a health issue, health regulation, health policy proposal and/or current health law from multiple perspectives.
4. Develop plans for implementing a collaborative policy campaign which reduces health disparities, advances cultural sensitivity, access to care, or equity in the delivery of health care.
5. Advocate for a policy change related to a specific health issue of interest by presenting accurate demographic, statistical, programmatic, and scientific information to policy makers.

E. Learning Outcomes (MN Transfer Curriculum)

This contains no goal areas.

G. Special Information

None