**The University of Texas at Arlington**

**College of Nursing and Health Innovation**

**N5418-020--025 Advanced Assessment**

**Fall 2015**

**Instructor(s):**

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**Section Information: N5418 Section 020- 025**

**Time and Place of Class Meetings: Wednesdays, 0900-4:50**

**Pickard Hall, Room(s): 205 – Orientation / Lecture,**

**Labs will be held in the Smart Hospital.**

**Mandatory Lecture and Lab Meetings Dates:**

1. **9.2.15 PKH Room 205**
2. **9.9.15**
3. **9.16.15**
4. **9.23.15**
5. **9.30.15**
6. **10.7.15**
7. **10.14.15**
8. **10.21.15**
9. **11.11.15**
10. **11.18.15**
11. **12.02.15**

**Description of Course Content:** Apply theoretical foundations and clinical skills in comprehensive health assessment across the lifespan. Prerequisites: NURS 5301 and NURS 5334 or concurrent enrollment or Certificate Program Standing.

Interviewing and the Health History, Risk Factor Assessment, Advanced Health Assessment of the Life span, HEENT and Lymphatic Systems, Skin, Hair and Nails, Heart and Circulatory System, Chest and Lungs, Abdomen, Anus and Rectum, Musculoskeletal System, Neurological System, Female Reproductive System, Male Genitourinary System, Health Risk Appraisal and Screening Throughout the Life span, Diagnostic Tools, Laboratory Values, Psychological Assessment - Life span, Nutritional Assessment - Life span, Spiritual Assessment, Growth and Development Across the Life span, Functional Assessment Across the Life span, Health Promotion and Disease Prevention

**Student Learning Outcomes:** Upon completion of the course, the student will be able to:

1. Obtain comprehensive & problem-focused physical examination across the lifespan. (MPO 1)
2. Perform a comprehensive and problem-focused physical examination across the lifespan. (MPO 1)
3. Document findings from history and physical exam. (MPO 1)
4. Develop appropriate differential diagnoses. (MPO 1)
5. Differentiate among normal variations, normal and abnormal findings across the lifespan. (MPO 1, 3)
6. Incorporate socio/cultural beliefs, values and practices relevant to health into assessment. (MPO 1, 3)
7. Provide health promotion and disease prevention services based on age, developmental stage, family history and ethnicity. (MPO 1, 3)

Perform risk assessment of the patient including assessment of lifestyle and other risk factors. (MPO 1, 3)

**Required Textbooks and Other Course Materials:**

These books are offered as a bundle through the UTA Bookstore. ISBN: 9780323434003.

1. Dains: Adv Hlth Asmt Diag Primary Care 5th ed.
2. Seidel: Mosby's Phys Exam Video Series
3. Ball: PE & HAO Guide Phys Exm 8
4. Ball: Seidel Guide to Physical Exam 8e
5. Ball: Seidel Physical Exam Handbook 8

This book is **NOT** part of the bundle pricing and NOT REQUIRED though suggested.

1. Baxter, Richard E. (2004). *Pocket Guide to Musculoskeletal Assessment.* Saunders*.,* ISBN: 9781416065272
2. Assessment kit (Otoscope/Ophthalmoscope)– SKU# 016109482 (new) Can be rented for $155.00 at bookstore.
3. Assessment kit II (disposables) – SKU# 016156798 (only available new) available at bookstore

For ordering the Bundle textbooks:

Please visit: [www.utashop.com](http://www.utashop.com/)

Click on Books (Upper Left Hand Corner)

Term: Fall 2015

Academic Session: 15 wk

Dept: NURS

Course: 5418

Section: 001 for Saturday and 020 for Wednesday

Click on submit

Next screen will only display your required bundle for N5418. ISBN to the bundle is: 9780323434003.

This bundle is comprised of the following course materials:

Dains: Adv Hlth Asmt Diag Primary Care 5th ed.

Seidel: Mosby's Phys Exam Video Series

Ball: PE & HAO Guide Phys Exm 8

Ball: Seidel Guide to Physical Exam 8e

Ball: Seidel Physical Exam Handbook 8

We do not carry parts & pieces of this bundle; however, we would be more than happy to order them for you.

Any questions or concerns regarding course materials should be directed to me, please.

I may be reached at: 817-272-3526 or [shiva@uta.edu](mailto:shiva@uta.edu)

**Requirements:**

1. Multiple Choice Examinations
2. Lab Practice/Check offs
3. Blackboard Content/Case studies/Post-test
4. **The course grade includes attendance AND participation in mandatory laboratory experience**
5. **Attendance will be taken for each class/laboratory session. It is the student’s responsibility to sign in on time for each class session. Tardiness will result in the deduction of attendance points.**
6. **Attendance at every lab session is required; if a student cannot come to class, the student is expected to communicate with the Faculty concerning a reason for absence. Course faculty will determine if the reason for absence is excused or unexcused.**
7. **Active participation in course and mandatory labs is required. If faculty determines a student is not participating, attendance points will be deducted from the course grade**
8. **Each laboratory sessions accompanies supervised check-off requirements. The student cannot complete the course until all laboratory sessions are completed. In event of excused absence and incomplete laboratory sessions, the student will receive a grade of an “Incomplete” for the course and will be required to complete laboratory objectives in a future semester in order to resolve the Incomplete status and receive a final course grade.**
9. **All learning and evaluation activities must be completed for successful completion of NURS 5418.**

**Descriptions of major assignments and examinations with due dates:**

**Graded Activities:**

**All Lab graded activities are mandatory and required for successful completion of NURS 5418. Second attempt following remediation will be allowed if first attempt is below 83% required and the first attempt grade will be recorded in the gradebook. No additional attempts will be granted if the student fails on second attempt following remediation. Failure in lab activities will result in failure in the course.**

**Didactic Grade (40% requires 74% to pass the didactic component):**

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| **Test 1** | **20%** | **10.07.15** |
| **Test 2** | **20%** | **12.02.15** |

**Lab Grade (60% requires 83% to pass the clinical component and must be completed on or before the posted dates):**

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| **Audio Tape Interview Documentation** | **10%** | **9.23.15** |
| **Comprehensive Check off 1** | **10%** | **10.14.15** |
| **Problem Focused Exam Check off 1** | **10%** | **10.21.15** |
| **Comprehensive Check off 2** | **10%** | **11.11.15** |
| **Problem Focused Exam Check off 2** | **10%** | **11.18.15** |
| **OSCE Final** | **5%** | **12.0215** |
| **Mandatory Lab participation and check off** | **5%** | **Must attend all labs to receive this grade** |

**Please note that students must pass both didactic and lab component to receive a passing grade in the course. Student will receive F is both sections are not passed by the defined criteria for passing each section as listed above irrespective of course average due to failure to demonstrate lab/ clinical competence. First attempt grade is recorded as earned grade and will to change based on second attempt performance. Second attempt opportunity is provided to demonstrate lab/ clinical competence following remediation only and not for revision of grade. First attempt begins when the student the student has a scheduled time and the session time begins. If the student does not show up with required equipment for the scheduled check off they will be given zero (0) for first attempt grade. This will apply to second attempt scheduled check offs as well.**

**Grading Policy:**

### Course Grading Scale

#### A=92 to 100

B=83 to 91

C=74 to 82

D=68 to 73---- Cannot progress

F=below 73 --- Cannot progress

**GRADES ARE NOT ROUNDED IN NURS 5418 FOR ANY ASSIGNMENT OR FOR FINAL GRADE CALCULATION. EXTRA WORK TO IMPROVE THE EARNED GRADE IS NOT PROVIDED IN NURS 5418.**

**In order to pass a course containing both didactic and clinical requirements, the students must pass both the theoretical (with a 74%) and clinical (with an 83%) components of the course.**

Clinical requirements include mandatory lab experiences and breakout sessions provided during class time.

Examinations are to be taken the date scheduled.

**All graded submissions and assignments must be received by or before the posted due dates and times for credit towards the final grade. Assignments must be submitted via Blackboard drop box and directions provided before or by the posted deadline to receive credit. NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE TO THIS POLICY.**

Successful completion of the course requires completing all learning activities and participation in course and mandatory lab activities. Careful consideration has been given to the course design to ensure student success.

ALL ASSIGNMENTS AND SUBMISSIONS MUST BE COMPLETED FOR SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE COURSE REQUIREMENTS TO EARN A GRADE OF C OR ABOVE IN THE COURSE.

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY WILL NOT BE TOLERATED IN THE COURSE. IT IS THE STUDENT’S RESPONSIBILTY TO BE AWARE OF EXPECTATIONS OF THE UTA OFFICE OF STUDENT CONDUCT. ALL ASSIGNMENTS IN THE COURSE ARE DESIGNED TO BE COMPLETED BY INDIVIDUAL THE STUDENT. PLAGIARISM AND COLLUSION ARE NOT TOLERATED IN THE COURSE AND WILL RESULT IN FAILURE IN THE COURSE.

**Expectations of Out-of-Class Study:** Beyond the time required to attend each class meeting, students enrolled in this course should expect to spend at least an additional 12-16 hours per week on their own time in course-related activities, including reading required materials, completing assignments, preparing for exams, etc.

**Attendance Policy:** Regular class attendance and participation is expected of all students. **Attendance is mandatory and required for successful completion of N5418.**

**Grade Grievances:** Any appeal of a grade in this course must follow the procedures and deadlines for grade-related grievances as published in the current University Catalog <http://catalog.uta.edu/academicregulations/grades/#graduatetext>.

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**Drop Policy:** Graduate students who wish to change a schedule by either dropping or adding a course must first consult with their Graduate Advisor. Regulations pertaining to adding or dropping courses are described below. Adds and drops may be made through late registration either on the Web at MyMav or in person through the student’s academic department. Drops can continue through a point two-thirds of the way through the term or session. It is the student's responsibility to officially withdraw if they do not plan to attend after registering. **Students will not be automatically dropped for non-attendance**. Repayment of certain types of financial aid administered through the University may be required as the result of dropping classes or withdrawing. Contact the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships at <http://www.uta.edu/fao/>  .  The last day to drop a course is listed in the Academic Calendar available at <http://www.uta.edu/uta/acadcal.php?session=20146>

1.      A student may not add a course after the end of late registration.

2.      A student dropping a graduate course after the Census Date but on or before the last day to drop may, receive a grade of W. Students dropping a course must:

(a)  Contact your graduate advisor to obtain the drop form and further instructions before the last day to drop.

**Census Day: September 14, 2015**

**Last day to drop or withdraw November 4, 2015 by 4:00 p.m.**

**Americans with Disabilities Act:**  The University of Texas at Arlington is on record as being committed to both the spirit and letter of all federal equal opportunity legislation, including the *Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)*. All instructors at UT Arlington are required by law to provide "reasonable accommodations" to students with disabilities, so as not to discriminate on the basis of that disability. Any student requiring an accommodation for this course must provide the instructor with official documentation in the form of a letter certified by the staff in the Office for Students with Disabilities, University Hall 102. Only those students who have officially documented a need for an accommodation will have their request honored. Information regarding diagnostic criteria and policies for obtaining disability-based academic accommodations can be found at [www.uta.edu/disability](http://www.uta.edu/disability) or by calling the Office for Students with Disabilities at (817) 272-3364.

**Title IX:** **[REVISED - Required]** The University of Texas at Arlington does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, gender, sexual orientation, disabilities, genetic information, and/or veteran status in its educational programs or activities it operates. For more information, visit [uta.edu/eos](http://www.uta.edu/hr/eos/index.php). For information regarding Title IX, visit [uta.edu/titleix](http://www.uta.edu/titleix/).

**Academic Integrity:** All students enrolled in this course are expected to adhere to the UT Arlington Honor Code:

*I pledge, on my honor, to uphold UT Arlington’s tradition of academic integrity, a tradition that values hard work and honest effort in the pursuit of academic excellence.*

*I promise that I will submit only work that I personally create or contribute to group collaborations, and I will appropriately reference any work from other sources. I will follow the highest standards of integrity and uphold the spirit of the Honor Code.*

UT Arlington faculty members may employ the Honor Code as they see fit in their courses, including (but not limited to) having students acknowledge the honor code as part of an examination or requiring students to incorporate the honor code into any work submitted.

Per UT System Regents’ Rule 50101, §2.2, suspected violations of university’s standards for academic integrity (including the Honor Code) will be referred to the Office of Student Conduct. Violators will be disciplined in accordance with the University policy, which may result in the student’s suspension or expulsion from the University.

"Scholastic dishonesty includes but is not limited to cheating, plagiarism, collusion, the submission for credit of any work or materials that are attributable in whole or in part to another person, taking an examination for another person, any act designed to give unfair advantage to a student or the attempt to commit such acts."

As a licensed registered nurse, graduate students are expected to demonstrate professional conduct as set forth in the Texas Board of Nursing rule **§215.8. in the event that a graduate student holding an RN license is found to have engaged in academic dishonesty, the college may report the nurse to the Texas BON using rule §215.8 as a guide.**

**Plagiarism:** Copying another student’s paper or any portion of it is plagiarism. Copying a

portion of published material (e.g. books or journals) without adequately documenting the source is plagiarism. Consistent with APA format, if five or more words in sequence are taken from a source, those words must be placed in quotes and the source referenced with author’s name, date of publication, and page number of publication. If the author’s ideas are rephrased, by transposing words or expressing the same idea using different words, the idea must be attributed to the author by proper referencing giving the author’s name and date of publication. If a single author’s ideas are discussed in more than one paragraph, the author must be referenced, according to APA format. Authors whose words or ideas have been used in the preparation of a paper must be listed in the references cited at the end of the paper. Students are expected to review the plagiarism module from the UT Arlington Central Library via <http://library.uta.edu/tutorials/Plagiarism>

**Student Feedback Survey:** At the end of each term, students enrolled in classes categorized as lecture, seminar, or laboratory shall be directed to complete a Student Feedback Survey (SFS). Instructions on how to access the SFS for this course will be sent directly to each student through MavMail approximately 10 days before the end of the term. Each student’s feedback enters the SFS database anonymously and is aggregated with that of other students enrolled in the course. UT Arlington’s effort to solicit, gather, tabulate, and publish student feedback is required by state law; students are strongly urged to participate. For more information, visit <http://www.uta.edu/sfs>.

**Student Success Faculty:** **[REQUIRED]** In order to assist masters nursing students who are at academic risk or who need academic support, there are graduate faculty members available to you. The goal of the success faculty members is to support student achievement in masters-level coursework so students can reach their educational goals. Students may contact a success faculty member directly, or a course instructor may encourage you to contact a success faculty member.

The success faculty in the MSN Program:

Dr. Donelle Barnes is available as a writing coach to assist students in the MSN Core courses; theory, research, and evidence based practice. Since these courses are writing intensive, Dr. Barnes can help students improve the clarity and organization of their written papers. She can be reached via email: [donelle@uta.edu](mailto:donelle@uta.edu).

Dr. Mary Schira is available as a success faculty to assist with diverse resources that may include study skills, testing challenges/approaches, managing multiple responsibilities, and addressing personal issues impacting academic performance.   Course content challenges may also be addressed, with referral to additional resources as indicated.  Dr. Schira can be reached via email:  [schira@uta.edu](mailto:schira@uta.edu).

**Electronic Communication:** UT Arlington has adopted MavMail as its official means to communicate with students about important deadlines and events, as well as to transact university-related business regarding financial aid, tuition, grades, graduation, etc. **All students are assigned a MavMail account and are responsible for checking the inbox regularly.** There is no additional charge to students for using this account, which remains active even after graduation. Information about activating and using MavMail is available at <http://www.uta.edu/oit/cs/email/mavmail.php>.

If you are unable to resolve your issue contact the Helpdesk at [helpdesk@uta.edu](mailto:helpdesk@uta.edu).

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**Emergency Exit Procedures:** Should we experience an emergency event that requires us to vacate the building, students should exit the room and move toward the nearest exit. When exiting the building during an emergency, one should never take an elevator but should use the stairwells. Faculty members and instructional staff will assist students in selecting the safest route for evacuation and will make arrangements to assist individuals with disabilities.

**Librarian to Contact:**

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| Peace Williamson – 817-272-6208  [peace@uta.edu](mailto:peace@uta.edu) | Lydia Pyburn – 817-272-7593  [llpyburn@uta.edu](mailto:llpyburn@uta.edu) | Shawn Lee – 817-272-5352 |

Research Information on Nursing:

<http://libguides.uta.edu/nursing>

Library Home Page <http://www.uta.edu/library>

Subject Guides <http://libguides.uta.edu>

Subject Librarians <http://www.uta.edu/library/help/subject-librarians.php>

Database List <http://www.uta.edu/library/databases/index.php>

Course Reserves <http://pulse.uta.edu/vwebv/enterCourseReserve.do>

Library Catalog <http://uta.summon.serialssolutions.com/#!/>

E-Journals <http://pulse.uta.edu/vwebv/searchSubject>

Library Tutorials <http://www.uta.edu/library/help/tutorials.php>

Connecting from Off- Campus <http://libguides.uta.edu/offcampus>

Ask A Librarian [http://ask.uta.edu](http://ask.uta.edu/)

The following URL houses a page where we have gathered many commonly used resources needed by students in online courses: <http://www.uta.edu/library/services/distance.php>.

The subject librarian for your area can work with you to build a customized course page to support your class if you wish. For examples, visit <http://libguides.uta.edu/os> and <http://libguides.uta.edu/pols2311fm> .

**UTA College of Nursing and Health Innovation - Additional Information:**

**Clinical Evaluations:** Students must pass both the didactic and clinical portions of a clinical course in order to pass the course. In order to pass the clinical portion, the student must receive a passing grade (minimum of 83%) on the faculty evaluation of the student’s clinical performance (Nurse Practitioner Clinical Evaluation). If the student passes the clinical performance retake (minimum of 83%), the **maximum** grade the student can receive for the exam for purposes of grade calculation is 83%. If the student fails the retake, the student will receive a grade of “F” for the course.

**Clinical Clearance**: All students must have current clinical clearance to legally perform clinical hours each semester. If your clinical clearance is not current, you will be unable to do clinical hours that are required for this course and this would result in course failure.

For Students with the last name beginning A-M, your clinical coordinator is Janyth Mauricio. She can be reached at [janyth.mauricio@uta.edu](mailto:janyth.mauricio@uta.edu).

For Students with the last name beginning N-Z, your clinical coordinator is Angel Korenek. She can be reached at [Angel.Korenek@uta.edu](mailto:Angel.Korenek@uta.edu).

**Student Requirement for Preceptor Agreements/Packets:**

1. Clinical verification forms are to be sent to your clinical coordinator **PRIOR** to doing any clinical hours for approval of your preceptor and your clinical site.
2. Preceptor agreements must be signed and dated by the student and the preceptor either prior **OR** on your first clinical day but absolutely **no later** than three weeks after the start of the course. (If you are starting your hours later in the semester make arrangements to have the agreement signed/dated within the specified timeframe). They must contain your 1000 number and your course number. Incomplete forms will be returned to the student. Please submit these to your clinical coordinator ([janyth.mauricio@uta.edu](mailto:janyth.mauricio@uta.edu) for letters A-M or [Angel.korenek@uta.edu](mailto:Angel.korenek@uta.edu) for letters N-Z) for approval. You may also send the forms to [npclinicalclearance@uta.edu](mailto:npclinicalclearance@uta.edu).
3. Due to the implementation of the Typhon system, all preceptors who are precepting graduate nursing students for The University of Texas at Arlington will need to complete a current Preceptor Biographical Data Sheet as well as a preceptor agreement.
4. The signed/completed agreement is part of the clinical clearance process. Failure to submit in a timely fashion will result in inability to do your clinical hours and denied access to the E-Logs and Typhon system.

**Clinical Electronic Logs**:

Students are required to enter all patient encounters into the Typhon Group Healthcare Solutions (“Typhon”) electronic log system.  Typhon is both a student learning opportunity and an evaluation method for clinical courses.  Patient encounters include patients the student assesses, diagnoses, and manages as part of their clinical coursework.  Individual clinical courses may have additional guidelines/requirements related to their specific course and will be noted in the course syllabus (e.g. types of encounter required, number of patients required during course).

Students can access their Typhon account by entering their own unique username and password which will be accessible their first clinical semester. During the student’s first clinical semester they will be emailed a link to Typhon along with a unique login username and password once a Clinical Verification Form has been submitted by the student and the preceptor and site are approved.

The student’s electronic log data provides a description of the patients managed during the student’s clinical experience, including the number of patients, diagnoses of patients, and the type of interventions initiated.  As a result, the data is an essential requirement of the student’s clinical experience and is used to evaluate student clinical performance.  The data is also used to meet course requirements and to evaluate student clinical performance.  Upon completion of the Program, students will have access to an executive summary of their log entries through Typhon for their professional portfolio.

**Students are expected to enter information accurately so that (if needed) faculty may verify/validate the information provided.  Falsifying and/or misrepresenting patient encounter data is considered academic dishonesty.**

**Status of RN Licensure:** All graduate nursing students must have an unencumbered license as designated by the Texas Board of Nursing (BON) to participate in graduate clinical nursing courses. It is also imperative that any student whose license becomes encumbered by the BON must immediately notify the Associate Dean, Department of Graduate Nursing. The complete policy about encumbered licenses is available online at: [www.bon.state.tx.us](http://www.bon.state.tx.us)

**MSN Graduate Student Dress Code:** The University of Texas at Arlington College of Nursing and Health Innovation expects students to reflect professionalism and maintain high standards of appearance and grooming in the clinical setting. **Clinical faculty has final judgment on the appropriateness of student attire and corrective action for dress code infractions. Students not complying with this policy will not be allowed to participate in clinical.**

Please View the College of Nursing and Health Innovation Student Dress Code on the nursing website:<http://www.uta.edu/nursing/msn/msn-students> **.**

**UTA Student Identification: MSN Students MUST be clearly identified as UTA Graduate Students and wear a UTA College of Nursing and Health Innovation ID in the clinical environment.**

**Unsafe Clinical Behaviors:** Students deemed unsafe or incompetent will fail the course and receive a course grade of “F”. **Any of the following behaviors constitute a clinical failure**:

1. Fails to follow standards of professional practice as detailed by the Texas Nursing Practice Act \* (available at [www.bon.state.tx.us](http://www.bon.state.tx.us))

2. Unable to accept and/or act on constructive feedback.

3. Needs continuous, specific, and detailed supervision for the expected course performance.

4. Unable to implement advanced clinical behaviors required by the course.

5. Fails to complete required clinical assignments.

6. Falsifies clinical hours.

7. Violates student confidentiality agreement.

\*Students should also be aware that violation of the Nursing Practice Act is a “reportable offense” to the Texas Board of Nurse Examiners.

**Blood and Body Fluids Exposure:** A Health Verification form was signed by all MSN students at start of the program documenting personal health insurance coverage. All MSN students have mandatory health insurance and will need to manage exposure to blood and fluids. Current CDC guidelines can be found at:<http://www.cdc.gov/>

**Ebola exposure**: Please inform your faculty if you have been in contact with anyone who has Ebola/have traveled to a country that has Ebola virus.

**Confidentiality Agreement:** You signed a Confidentiality Form in orientation and were provided a copy of the form. Please take your copy of this Confidentiality Form with you to your clinical sites. **Please do not sign** other agency confidentiality forms. Contact your faculty if the agency requires you to sign their confidentiality form.

**Graduate Student Handbook:** Students are responsible for knowing and complying with all policies and information contained in the Graduate Student handbook online at: <http://www.uta.edu/nursing/msn/msn-students>

**Student Code of Ethics:** The University of Texas at Arlington College of Nursing and Health Innovation supports the Student Code of Ethics Policy. Students are responsible for knowing and complying with the Code. The Code can be found in the student handbook online: <http://www.uta.edu/nursing/msn/msn-students>

**No Gift Policy:** In accordance with Regent Rules and Regulations and the UTA Standards of Conduct, the College of Nursing and Health Innovation has a “no gift” policy. A donation to one of the UTA College of Nursing and Health Innovation Scholarship Funds, found at the following link: is <http://www.uta.edu/nursing/student-resources/scholarship> would be an appropriate way to recognize a faculty member’s contribution to your learning.  For information regarding Scholarship Funds, please contact the Dean’s office.

**Online Conduct:** The discussion board should be viewed as a public and professional forum for course-related discussions. Students are free to discuss academic matters and consult one another regarding academic resources. The tone of postings should be professional in nature.

It is not appropriate to post statements of a personal or political nature, or statements criticizing classmates or faculty. Inappropriate statements/language will be deleted by the course faculty and may result in denied access to the Discussion boards. Refer to UTA CONHI Student Handbook for more information.

***For this course Blackboard communication tools, discussion boards, and UTA MAV email will be used extensively and should be checked often.***

**Writing Center:** The Writing Center provides the workshops below to help guide graduate students through the demands of writing at the graduate level. In order to sign up for workshops, students must register with the Writing Center at <http://uta.mywconline.com/> . Workshops are listed on the regular appointment schedule. If you experience any difficulty signing up for any of these, please call (817) 272-2601 and one of our staff will be happy to assist.

All Workshops hosted by the Writing Center are held in 411 Central Library and are offered at 6 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays. These are not recorded and are not available online.

**Emergency Phone Numbers**: In case of an on-campus emergency, call the UT Arlington Police Department at 817-272-3003 (non-campus phone), 2-3003 (campus phone). You may also dial 911.

**Graduate Nursing Support Staff**

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| **Judy LeFlore, PhD, RN, NNP-BC, CPNP-PC & AC, ANEF, FAAN**  Interim Associate Dean  Graduate Nursing Programs  Director, PNP, ACPNP, NNP Programs  Pickard Hall Office #518  Email address:  [jleflore@uta.edu](mailto:jleflore@uta.edu) | **Kathy Daniel, PhD, RN, ANP/GNP-BC, AGSF**  Associate Chair, Graduate Nurse Practitioner Programs  Pickard Hall Office #615  817-272-0175  Email address: [kdaniel@uta.edu](mailto:kdaniel@uta.edu) |
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| **Janyth Mauricio (Arbeau),** Clinical Coordinator  Pickard Hall Office # 610  (817) 272-0788  Email address: [janyth.mauricio@uta.edu](mailto:janyth.mauricio@uta.edu) or  [npclinicalclearance@uta.edu](mailto:npclinicalclearance@uta.edu) | **Angel Trevino-Korenek,** Clinical Coordinator  Pickard Hall Office # 610  (817) 272-6344  Email address: [angel.korenek@uta.edu](mailto:angel.korenek@uta.edu) |

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**Fall 2015**

**8.27.15 thru 12.9.15**

**MyMav Mandatory Lab and Lecture Days: Wednesdays 0900-?**

**September 2, 19, 16, 23, 30; October 7, 14, ; November 4, 11, and 18, 2015** in **PKH 205**

**Census Date is 9.14.15 Last Day to drop with “W” is 11.4.15**

***“As the instructor for this course, I reserve the right to adjust this schedule in any way that serves the educational needs of the students enrolled in this course”. Sandra A. Laird, DNP,RN,ACNP-BC,AOCNP***

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| **Class/ Lab Schedule** | **Grades/ submission** | **Dates for class and labs on MyMav** | **Schedule of learning activities and topics** |
| Lecture PKH 205 |  | **9.2.15** | * Orientation to the course * Syllabus * Introduction of Faculty * SOAP and Diagnostic reasoning * Nutritional Assessment * Skin, Hair and Nails * Eyes * Ears, Nose and Throat * **Meet with Lab Faculty** TEAM * **Equipment Exhibitor** * **Mixed up SOAP DEMO** – TEAM * **IBW and BMI calculations** – TEAM * Head and Neck and **Thyroid, Lymph nodes DEMO** – TEAM |
| Lecture and **Lab 2 Smart Hospital** |  | **9.9.15** | * **Otoscope, Ophthalmoscope, practice** * Heart and Blood Vessels * Chest and Lungs * Abdomen * **Heart and Blood Vessels DEMO** * **Chest and Lungs DEMO** * **Abdomen DEMO** |
| Lecture and **Lab 3 Smart Hospital** |  | **9.16.15** | * Musculoskeletal * Mental Status * Neuro * **Sports Physical Exam DEMO MR** * **Special Tests and Techniques DEMO** |
| **Lab 4** | **Audio- 10%** | **9.23.15** | * **Submit via blackboard Digital Drop Box before 0800** * Assessment across the Lifespan – TEAM * Pregnancy Pearls – SAL * Breast and Axilla - SAL * Female Genitalia - SAL * Male Genitalia, Anus, Rectum and Prostate - SAL * **Breast DEMO** * **Pelvic DEMO** * **GU DEMO** |
| **Lab 5 PKH 205** |  | **9.30.15** | * **Comprehensive and Problem Focused Practice** |
| **Lab 6** | **Test 1- 20%** | **10.7.15** | * **Test 1 at 0900** * **Problem Focused Practice** * **OSCE DEMO** |
| **Lab 7 Smart Hospital** | **10%Comprehensive Check off 1- 10%** | **10.14.15** | * **Comprehensive- 1** |
| **Lab 8 Smart Hospital** | **Problem Focused Check off 1-** | **10.21.15** | * **Problem Focused - 1** |
| **Lab 9 Smart Hospital** | **10%Comprehensive Check off 2 - 10%** | **11.11.15** | * **Comprehensive- 2** |
| **Lab 10 Smart Hospital** | **Problem Focused Check off - 2-** | **11.18.15** | * **Problem Focused - 2** |
| **Lab 11** | **Test 2 - 20%**  **OSCE - 5%**  **Lab Attendance and Requirements Completion - 5%** | **12.02.15** | * **Test 2** * **OSCE Check offs** * **Comprehensive Remediation check offs** * **Problem focused Remediation check offs** * **Complete clinical requirements with faculty** * **OSCE Review** * **Course Wrap up and Clinical Grades** |
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