**The University of Texas at Arlington**

**College of Nursing and Health Innovation**

**N5316 Advanced Physical Assessment Across the Life Span**

**FALL 2016**

**Instructors:**

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**Section Information:**

NURS 5316 Sections

Lab Sections: 020: (Adult/Geri)

030: (Pedi) Moore

**Time and Place of Class Meetings:**

This class meets online. Asynchronous content

Week 1: Starts August 25, 2015

Week 16: Finals Week December 11, 2016

On Campus: Students will be participating in a **Mandatory on campus 8-hour day on Saturday November 12 and Saturday November 19th. The dates are firm but depending on the number of instructors to students (which is currently unknown) the amount of time/days on campus may be flexible, I will make ever attempt to limit students to being on campus for the least amount of time possible. Easier to decrease your amount of time spent at UTA than to increase, so plan for both dates BUT do not make flights or hotel arrangements prior to the start of the course**

**Description of Course Content:**

2 Lecture Hours, 3 Lab Hours (online clinical content (shadow health) with two on campus clinical experiences)

Apply theoretical foundations and clinical skills in comprehensive health assessment across the lifespan. Interviewing and the Health History, Risk Factor Assessment, Advanced Health Assessment of the lifespan. 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

**Requirements:**

Prerequisite NURS 5301 and concurrent enrollment with NURS 5204.

These items must be cleared with the Clinical Coordinator: Unencumbered RN License: Current CPR (Cardio Resuscitation) card; Current Immunizations.

In addition to class, 25 hours of online clinical are required, this will be completed with online completion of discussion boards (clinical specifics provided on blackboard), completion of assigned capstone and case studies.

Computer/Internet Access: Testing will be done online through Blackboard. It is planned that we will be using Respondus Lock Down for testing. It is essential that you have access to high speed internet, such as DSL or Cable. You should also be comfortable with testing online.

Testing System. Additionally, you must download this at: <http://www.respondus.com/lockdown/download.php?id=163943837>

More information will be available on the course Blackboard site.

* Multiple Choice Examinations
* Online Clinical Experiences (completed thru completion of assigned capstones, advance practice case studies, and simulation opportunities and completion of assigned Shadow Health assignments)
* Blackboard Content
* The course grade includes attendance **AND** online clinical experience
* In the event that the student does not complete the online clinical experience, 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.
* All learning and evaluation activities must be completed for successful completion of NURS 5316.

**Student Learning Outcomes:**

Upon completion of the course, the student will be able to:

* Obtain comprehensive & problem-focused physical examination across the lifespan.
* Perform a comprehensive and problem-focused physical examination across the lifespan.
* Document findings from history and physical exam.
* Initiate Development of appropriate differential diagnoses.
* Differentiate among normal variations, normal and abnormal findings across the lifespan.
* Incorporate socio/cultural beliefs, values and practices relevant to health into assessment.
* Provide health promotion and disease prevention services based on age, developmental stage, family history and ethnicity.
* Perform risk assessment of the patient including assessment of lifestyle and other risk factors.

**Required Textbooks and Other Course Materials: Please read section completely:**

**Option 1—Hard copy BOOK and Shadow Health (purchase information provided below)**

**HARD COPY BOOK with ACCESS CODES**: These books are offered as a bundle through the UTA Bookstore: ***Hardcopy Only ISBN--* 9780323513210**

* Seidel guide to physical exam 8e
* Included in the purchase of the **hardcopy** ISBN will be 2 access codes (required to access the blackboard course)
* Mosby’s Physical Exam Videos
* Health Assessment Online

**Shadow Health Digital Clinical Experiences Program:**

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| **Course PIN:** | **August2016-2501-3031-9342-5279** |

* + - (Not included in the UTA Course Bundle/MUST be purchased separately from either the UTA bookstore or directly from the manufacturer/publisher as below:
    - **To Register as a Student in NURS 5316 in Shadow Health**
      * Please visit [app.shadowhealth.com](http://app.shadowhealth.com/) and click "Register for a Student Account." Then enter your Fall '16 course PIN: **August2016-2501-3031-9342-5279** to enroll. You may either purchase your software license from Shadow Health's website during this process or from your University bookstore. For Shadow Health support, visit [support.shadowhealth.com](http://support.shadowhealth.com/) or call 1-800-860-3241.

**Option 2—Electronic Copy of book with Shadow Health (purchased information below.**

**ELECTRONIC COPY with ACCESS CODES**: These books are offered as a bundle through the UTA Bookstore: ***eOnly ISBN--*9780323513227**

* Seidel guide to physical exam 8e
* Seidel physical exam handbook 8e – free eBook with bundle
* Included in the purchase of the **e copy** ISBNwill be a Single Sign On Access Code
* This is a new option available to package customers that allows for a single access code rather than multiple access codes that have to be scratched and redeemed. This single access code also will load all of the student resources to their evolve account when they redeem their single access code rather than them having to request each resource individually.
* Evolve resources and eBooks (required to access the blackboard course for the first time)
* Mosby’s Physical Exam Videos
* Health Assessment Online
* **Shadow Health Digital Clinical Experiences Program:**

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    - Please visit [app.shadowhealth.com](http://app.shadowhealth.com/) and click "Register for a Student Account." Then enter your Fall '16 course PIN: **August2016-2501-3031-9342-5279** to enroll. You may either purchase your software license from Shadow Health's website during this process or from your University bookstore. For Shadow Health support, visit [support.shadowhealth.com](http://support.shadowhealth.com/) or call 1-800-860-3241.

(**ONLINE Access codes** will be required to access blackboard for this course. **THE ABOVE OPTIONS** will give you the choice of obtaining an electronic book copy with the appropriate codes **or** a hard copy book option with the appropriate codes**. IF YOU CHOOSE** to use a **3rd party vendor** for your books and inadvertently purchase the wrong code there may be a 3-4-week delay in you accessing the course**. I WILL NOT** be available for support if you choose to purchase your books/codes from a 3rd party vendor. You can **NOT** use borrowed books/codes for this course, you will find that the codes are one-time access. The assignments are linked to your online access of the books and you will not be able to complete the assignments without the books/codes. If you have code access issues and you've purchased thru the bookstore, then Elsevier customer support will assist with troubleshooting issues.)

**Recommended Supplementary Textbooks and Other Course Materials:**

* Seidel physical exam handbook 8e
* Dains, J., Baumann, L., Scheibel, P., (2015). *Advanced Health Assessment & Clinical Diagnosis in Primary Care*. (5th ed.) Mosby ISBN**: 9780323266253**
* Fischbach, F., Dunning, M., (2015). *A Manual of Laboratory and Diagnostic Tests*. (9th ed.) Philadelphia, PA: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins. **ISBN: 9781451190892**
* Baxter, R., (2004). *Pocket Guide to Musculoskeletal Assessment*. (2nd ed.). Saunders. **ISBN: 9780721697796**

**Graded Activities:**

All online scenarios are mandatory and required for successful completion of NURS 5316

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

**Didactic Grade:**

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| **Test 1: Online** | **20%** | **Week 6: Online 9/30-10/2** |
| **Test 2: Online** | **20%** | **Week 15: Online 12/2-12/4** |

**Projects/simulation:**

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| **Genealogy** | **10%** | **Week 2: 9/2/16 at 11:59pm CST** |
| **Clinical Scenarios are provided in the form of specifically assigned Capstone project (required online access) or assigned Advanced Practice Case Study (required online access) (Friday at 11:59 pm CST)** | **30%** | **Week 4:** **HEENT Capstone project, 9/16/16 at 11:59pm CST**  **Week 8:** **Heart: Advanced Practice Case Study, 10/14/16 at 11:59pm CST** |
| **Problem focused Exam Write up (Patient and Diagnosis of your choice)** | **10%** | **Week 10: 10/28/16 at 11:59pm CST, see rubric, scenario/patient to be selected by the student** |
| **Comprehensive Simulation Experience Day’s: Mandatory ON CAMPUS (Saturday November 12 and Saturday November 19, 2016)** | **10%** | **Week 12: (November 12th) Mandatory on campus 8-hour day.**  **Week 13: (November 19) Mandatory on campus 8-hour day. The dates are firm but depending on the number of instructors to students (which is currently unknown) the amount of time/days on campus may be flexible. Easier to decrease your amount of time spent at UTA than to increase, so plan for both dates BUT do not make flights or hotel arrangements prior to the start of the course** |
| **Shadow Health Digital Clinical Experience, See page 15-18 of syllabus** | **P/F** | **A grade of 80 or better on all assessments and 100% on all concept labs**  **Week 15: 12/4/16 at 11:59pm (CST)** |

**Grading Policy:** Students are expected to keep track of their performance throughout the semester and seek guidance from available sources (including the instructor) if their performance drops below satisfactory levels.

Course Grading Scale

A = 90 to 100

B = 80-89

C = 70-79

D = 60 to 69 – cannot progress

F = below 59 – cannot progress

***\*Both the didactic and digital clinical experiences must be passed in order to pass the whole course*. *Both are combined into one course grade. See further information in syllabus.***

**--GRADES ARE ROUNDED TO THE NEXT WHOLE NUMBER IN NURS 5316 FOR FINAL GRADE CALCULATION.**

**--LATE WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL AND MAY RECEIVE A GRADE OF ZERO**

Examinations are to be taken on 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.

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.

**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 THE INDIVIDUAL STUDENT.**

**PLAGIARISM AND COLLUSION ARE NOT TOLERATED IN THE COURSE AND WILL RESULT IN FAILURE IN THE COURSE.**

Examinations will be taken on the assigned date(s) or may receive a grade of zero. Arrangements can be made for emergencies **IF** made in **ADVANCE**.

**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](http://catalog.uta.edu/academicregulations/grades/%23graduatetext).

**Make-up Exams:**

Please contact your faculty for make-up approval and instructions.

**Test Reviews:**

Contact your faculty for instructions.

**Expectations for 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 9 hours per week on their own time in course-related activities, including reading required materials, completing assignments, preparing for exams, etc.

**Attendance Policy:**

At the University of Texas at Arlington, taking attendance is not required. Rather, each faculty member is free to develop his or her own methods of evaluating students’ academic performance, which includes establishing course-specific policies on attendance. As the instructor of this course, I have decided that attendance is not taken into account.

**CONHI – language 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:

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

**Census Day: September 12, 2016**

**Last day to drop or withdraw November 2, 2016 by 4:00 p.m.**

**Disability Accommodations:** UTArlington 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), The Americans with Disabilities Amendments Act (ADAAA),* and *Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act.* 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 disability. Students are responsible for providing the instructor with official notification in the form of a letter certified by the **Office for Students with Disabilities (OSD).** Students experiencing a range of conditions (Physical, Learning, Chronic Health, Mental Health, and Sensory) that may cause diminished academic performance or other barriers to learning may seek services and/or accommodations by contacting:

**The Office for Students with Disabilities, (OSD)**  [www.uta.edu/disability](http://www.uta.edu/disability) or calling 817-272-3364.

**Counseling and Psychological Services, (CAPS)** [www.uta.edu/caps/](http://www.uta.edu/caps/) or calling 817-272-3671.

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:** *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. For information regarding Title IX, visit* [www.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/plagiarism/index.html>

**Student Support Services**:UT Arlington provides a variety of resources and programs designed to help students develop academic skills, deal with personal situations, and better understand concepts and information related to their courses. Resources include tutoring, major-based learning centers, developmental education, advising and mentoring, personal counseling, and federally funded programs. For individualized referrals, students may visit the reception desk at University College (Ransom Hall), call the Maverick Resource Hotline at 817-272-6107, send a message to [resources@uta.edu](mailto:resources@uta.edu), or view the information at [www.uta.edu/resources](http://www.uta.edu/resources).

**The English Writing Center (411LIBR)**: Hours are 9 am to 8 pm Mondays-Thursdays, 9 am to 3 pm Fridays and Noon to 5 pm Saturdays and Sundays. Walk In ***Quick Hits*** sessions during all open hours Mon-Thurs. Register and make appointments online at [http://uta.mywconline.com](http://uta.mywconline.com/). Classroom Visits, Workshops, and advanced services for graduate students and faculty are also available. Please see [www.uta.edu/owl](http://www.uta.edu/owl) for detailed information.

**Student Success Faculty:** 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).

**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>.

**Final Review Week:** A period of five class days prior to the first day of final examinations in the long sessions shall be designated as Final Review Week. The purpose of this week is to allow students sufficient time to prepare for final examinations. During this week, there shall be no scheduled activities such as required field trips or performances; and no instructor shall assign any themes, research problems or exercises of similar scope that have a completion date during or following this week *unless specified in the class syllabus*. During Final Review Week, an instructor shall not give any examinations constituting 10% or more of the final grade, except makeup tests and laboratory examinations. In addition, no instructor shall give any portion of the final examination during Final Review Week. During this week, classes are held as scheduled. In addition, instructors are not required to limit content to topics that have been previously covered; they may introduce new concepts as appropriate.

**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) | Heather Scalf  817-272-7436  [scalf@uta.edu](mailto:scalf@uta.edu) | Kaeli Vandertulip  817-272-5352  [Kaeli.vandertulip@uta.edu](mailto:Kaeli.vandertulip@uta.edu) |

Contact all nursing librarians:

[library-nursing@listserv.uta.edu](mailto:library-nursing@listserv.uta.edu)

**Helpful Direct Links to the UTA Libraries’ Resources**

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| **Research Information on Nursing** | <http://libguides.uta.edu/nursing> |
| **Library Home Page** | <http://library.uta.edu/> |
| **Subject Guides** | [http://libguides.uta.edu](http://libguides.uta.edu/) |
| **Chat with the Library** | [http://ask.uta.edu](http://ask.uta.edu/) |
| **Database List** | <http://libguides.uta.edu/az.php> |
| **Course Reserves** | <http://pulse.uta.edu/vwebv/enterCourseReserve.do> |
| **Library Catalog** | [http://uta.summon.serialssolutions.com/#!/](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> |

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>.

In addition to providing the general library guide for nursing (<http://libguides.uta.edu/nursing>), we can put together course specific guides for your students.  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> .

**Course Schedule:**

For a copy of the tentative course schedule, please see the end of the syllabus.

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

**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 College of Nursing and Health Innovation expects students to reflect professionalism and maintain high standards of appearance and grooming in the clinical setting. Students must adhere to the Dress Code Policy. [www.uta.edu/nursing/file\_download/234/BSNDressCode.pdf](http://www.uta.edu/nursing/file_download/234/BSNDressCode.pdf) **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.**

**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.**

**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 UTACON Graduate 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.***

**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. For non-emergencies, call 817-272-3381.

**Department of Graduate Nursing**

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| **Judy LeFlore, PhD, RN, NNP-BC, CPNP-PC & AC, ANEF, FAAN**  Interim Associate Dean  Chair, 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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***Shadow Health Digital Clinical Experiences and Virtual Assessment Assignments***

These assignments are designed to allow students an opportunity to practice advanced assessment techniques in a safe and fun format via simulated technology. For these assignments, students will interact virtually with various avatars (patients) to practice and demonstrate competency on a variety of assessment types and systems. The student will also be engaged in three digital concept labs to help sharpen assessment skills. These assignments will be graded on a pass/fail basis, but the student must generate a computer score of 80% or greater on each and every assignment in order to receive a grade of pass for the assignment. Assignments are due weekly, but students will have multiple/unlimited attempts to complete and pass the assignments in the week before the due date/time. The assignments will also remain open for the duration of the course so that students can review and practice various assessments and skills. Please see the detailed information on Shadow Health in subsequent pages of this syllabus for more information. Students are required to complete ALL post assessment activities for each assignment, including post-assessment questions and reflective journaling. Students’ activity and progress on these assignments will be monitored by clinical instructors and lead faculty. Students are required to download and save each certificate of completion for every assessment/assignment completed in Shadow Health.

***Shadow Health: Student Information Resource Pages***

*What is the Shadow Health Digital Clinical Experience™ (DCE)?*

Shadow Health provides a clinical simulation designed to improve your health assessment skills in a safe learning environment. You will examine digital patients throughout the course that are accessible online 24/7. Once you register, you will have lifetime access to the technology.

Shadow Health. (2016). Digital Clinical Experience (Version 4.0) [Software]. Available from http://www.shadowhealth.com

*For registration and purchase*

1. Registration directions: <https://shadow.desk.com/customer/portal/articles/980991-how-to-register-withshadow-health>

2. Enter Course PIN – (refer to your official syllabus for this PIN)

3. Cost is $99 paid with a credit card

4. Be sure to register for the appropriate section of the course in which you are enrolled (refer to your syllabus for section number)

*Login page*: http://app.shadowhealth.com

*Technical requirements*

1. Review requirements: https://shadow.desk.com/customer/portal/articles/963290-dce-recommendedsystem-specifications

2. Tablets and mobile devices are not currently supported.

3. Recommended web browser is Mozilla Firefox.

*Shadow Health Support:*

1. Contact Shadow Health with any questions or technical issues regarding Shadow Health **before** contacting your instructor.

2. Support is available 24/7 with senior technicians available from 6am - 3am ET (5am – 2am CST) at http://support.shadowhealth.com.

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| Assignment \*\*\*ALL post exam activities are to be completed for each module | Average/Estimated Activity Time (Clinical Credit Time for Activity) \*\*\*may be more or less depending on individual student’s needs Shadow |
| Shadow Health DCE Orientation | ½ hour |
| Health History | 1 ½ hour |
| HEENT | 1 hour |
| Respiratory Concept Lab | 1 ½ hour |
| Respiratory | 1 hour |
| Cardiovascular Concept Lab | 1 ½ hour |
| Cardiovascular | 1 hour |
| Abdominal/Gastrointestinal Concept Lab | 1 ½ hour |
| Gastrointestinal | 1 hour |
| Musculoskeletal | 1 hour |
| Neurological | 1 hour |
| Mental Health | 1 hour |
| Focused Exam: Cough: “Danny Rivera” – age 8 | 2 hours |
| Focused Exam: Chest Pain: “Brian Foster” – age 58 | 2 hours |
| Focused Exam: Abdominal Pain: “Esther Park” – age 78 | 2 hours |
| Comprehensive Assessment | 3 hours |

*Assignment Options*

The assignment options set up for NURS 5418 allows students to do either of the following:

* Flexible Turn In: Repeat the assignment as many times as desired and choose which attempt to turn in before the due date/time
  + Flexible Turn In
    - This option allows students to turn in an assignment attempt of their choosing. Here is a link about how to turn in an attempt of your choice: <https://shadow.desk.com/customer/portal/articles/1900898-assignment-options-turn-in-reopen>
* Allow Reopening: Reopen an assignment attempt multiple times and revise the assignment before the due date/time.
  + Alternative option: Allow Reopening
    - This option allows students to reopen an assignment attempt before the due date Here is a link about how to reopen an attempt: <https://shadow.desk.com/customer/portal/articles/1900898assignment-options-turn-in-reopen>

*Grading*

These digital/virtual clinical experiences are designed to provide students with a safe, fun, realistic, yet challenging virtual forum in which to learn and to practice advanced assessment and diagnostic reasoning skills.

While the grades on these individual activities will not be factored into the student’s overall course grade, students **must complete ALL** assignments/evaluations/concept labs (including post-assessment written activities) with **scores of 80% or above on assessments and 100% on concept labs**. Students who fail to meet the minimum threshold for these scores by the posted due date and time for each activity will not pass the clinical component of this course. Likewise, students who fail to complete ANY of these activities by the posted due date and time will NOT pass the clinical portion of this course. **Pass/Fail Digital Clinical Experience**

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| **Assignment** | **Graded Weight**  **(percentage of coursework)** | **Expectations for Credit** | **Assignment Options** |
| Health History | P/F | 80% or greater to Pass | Flexible Turn In &/or Allow Reopening |
| Body System Concept Labs (x3) | P/F | 100% to Pass | Flexible Turn In &/or Allow Reopening |
| Body Systems (x7) | P/F | 80% or greater to Pass | Flexible Turn In &/or Allow Reopening |
| Focused Exams (x3) | P/F | 80% or greater to Pass | Flexible Turn In &/or Allow Reopening |
| Comprehensive Assessment | P/F | 80% or greater to Pass | Flexible Turn In &/or Allow Reopening |

**N5316 Schedule**

FALL 2016

**See reading list on Blackboard for chapters associated with topics.**

**ALL Due Dates and Times are Central Standard Time.**

*“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”. – Sara E. Moore, MSN, PNP, PNP-BC, CPNP-AC, NNP.*

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| **Schedule** | **Activities** | **Topics** |
| Week 1 (8/25) | Syllabus  Schedule Review  Orientation to the course | * Growth/measurement * Partnership with Parents/Cultural Sensitivity * History taking * Shadow Health:   + Orientation   + Health History |
| Week 2 (8/29) | Genealogy Assignment | * Exam Techniques * Recording information and Medical Record formats * Nutrition * **Genealogy Project Due Friday, 11:59 PM CST** |
| Week 3 (9/5) |  | * Skin, hair and nails * Eyes * Ophthalmoscope |
| Week 4 (9/12) (Census date: 9/12) | **Capstone project:** HEENT: 85-year-old Caucasian female  (Due Friday MN) | * Ears, Nose and Throat * Otoscope * Head and Neck and Lymphatic * **Capstone HEENT Due Friday, 11:59 PM CST (see scenario/Capstone rubric)** * Shadow Health:   + HEENT |
| Week 5 (9/19) |  | * Chest and Lungs * Shadow Health:   + Respiratory Concept lab (100% required)   + Respiratory   + Focused Exam #1 |
| Week 6 (9/26) | Online Test | * **Test 1 Online (Test open 9/30-10/2)** |
| Week 7 (10/3) |  | * Heart * Blood vessels * Shadow Health   + Cardiovascular Concept (100% required)   + Cardiovascular   + Focused Exam #2 |
| Week 8 (10/10) | **Advanced Practice Case Study:** Scenario: Heart, 56-year-old Italian male  (Due Friday MN), | * Assessment across the lifespan * Mental status * Neuro * **Advanced Practice Case Study: Heart, Due Friday, 11:59 PM CST (see Scenario/Advanced Practice Case Study Rubric**) * Shadow Health:   + Neurological   + Mental health |
| Week 9 (10/17) |  | * Breast and Axilla * Abdomen * Shadow Health:   + Abdominal/Gastro Concept lab (100% required)   + Gastrointestinal   + Focused Exam #3 |
| Week 10 (10/24) | Problem Focused Exam | * Musculoskeletal * Female Genitalia * Male Genitalia * Anus, Rectum and Prostate * **Problem Focused Exam (subspecialty specific) Due Friday, 11:59 PM, CST** * Shadow Health:   + Musculoskeletal |
| Week 11  (10/31)  **Drop Date: November 2 by 4pm** |  | * Pregnancy Pearls * Sport physical * Focused Exam Comprehensive |
| Week 12  (11/7) | Simulation Experience | * Special Tests * **Comprehensive Simulation Experience Day’s: Mandatory ON CAMPUS (November 12th) The dates are firm but depending on the number of instructors to students (which is currently unknown) the amount of time/days on campus may be flexible, I will make ever attempt to limit students to being on campus for the least amount of time possible. Easier to decrease your amount of time spent at UTA than to increase, so plan for both dates BUT do not make flights or hotel arrangements prior to the start of the course** |
| Week 13  (11/14) | Simulation Experience | * Putting it all together * Critical thinking * Emergency Situations * **Comprehensive Simulation Experience Day’s: Mandatory ON CAMPUS (November 19th) The dates are firm but depending on the number of instructors to students (which is currently unknown) the amount of time/days on campus may be flexible, I will make ever attempt to limit students to being on campus for the least amount of time possible. Easier to decrease your amount of time spent at UTA than to increase, so plan for both dates BUT do not make flights or hotel arrangements prior to the start of the course** |
| Week 14  (11/21)  Thanksgiving |  | * EKG * ENT Tymanography * Radiology * Respiratory Spirometry |
| Week 15  (11/28) | * Online Test * Shadow Health Digital Clinical Experience | * **Test 2 Online (12/2-12/4)** * Shadow Health Module Completion by **12/4/16 at 11:59PM (CST) P/F**   + A grade of 80 or better on all assessments and 100% on concept labs   + Flexible turn in schedule   + May attempt scenarios multiple times to achieve an 80% or 100% (concepts)     - Health History     - Body Systems Concept Labs       * Respiratory       * Cardiovascular       * Gastrointestinal     - Body Systems       * HEENT       * Respiratory       * Cardiovascular       * Neurological       * Mental Health       * Gastrointestinal       * Musculoskeletal     - Focused Exam       * Focused Exam 1       * Focused Exam 2       * Focused Exam 3     - Comprehensive Exam |
| Week 16  (12/5) |  | No content |

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

**Didactic Grade:**

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| **Test 1: Online** | **20%** | **Week 6: Online 9/30-10/2** |
| **Test 2: Online** | **20%** | **Week 15: Online 12/2-12/4** |

**Projects/simulation:**

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| **Genealogy** | **10%** | **Week 2: 9/2/16 at 11:59pm CST** |
| **Clinical Scenarios are provided in the form of specifically assigned Capstone project (required online access) or assigned Advanced Practice Case Study (required online access) (Friday at 11:59 pm CST)** | **30%** | **Week 4:** **HEENT Capstone project, 9/16/16 at 11:59pm CST**  **Week 8:** **Heart: Advanced Practice Case Study, 10/14/16 at 11:59pm CST** |
| **Problem focused Exam Write up (Patient and Diagnosis of your choice)** | **10%** | **Week 10: 10/28/16 at 11:59pm CST, see rubric, scenario/patient to be selected by the student** |
| **Comprehensive Simulation Experience Day’s: Mandatory ON CAMPUS (Saturday November 12 and Saturday November 19, 2016)** | **10%** | **Week 12: (November 12th) Mandatory on campus 8-hour day.**  **Week 13: (November 19) Mandatory on campus 8-hour day. The dates are firm but depending on the number of instructors to students (which is currently unknown) the amount of time/days on campus may be flexible. Easier to decrease your amount of time spent at UTA than to increase, so plan for both dates BUT do not make flights or hotel arrangements prior to the start of the course** |
| **Shadow Health Digital Clinical Experience, See page 15-18 of syllabus** | **P/F** | **A grade of 80 or better on all assessments and 100% on all concept labs**  **Week 15: 12/4/16 at 11:59pm (CST)** |