

The University Of Texas at Arlington
College of Nursing

N 3352

LEGACY OF THE FAMILY

Syllabus

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Course Section Faculty as assigned

**THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON COLLEGE OF NURSING
UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM**

**N3352 Legacy of the
Family**

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Explore and enhance understanding and application of principles of family science knowledge in therapeutic relationships with families across the lifespan.

**CREDIT HOURS AND
CLOCK HOURS:**

3 Credit hours (45 Clock hours)

Class: Course is taught on line using Blackboard. Please contact UTA's computer Help Desk (<http://oit.uta.edu>) or Blackboard (support@distance.uta.edu) if you need assistance.

PLACEMENT IN CURRICULUM:

Junior and Senior Level Elective

PREREQUISITES:

For those taking the course online: Computer Technology Skills CE course or permission from the instructor. Blackboard experience is highly recommended. Completion of Blackboard on line orientation module highly recommended.

FACULTY:

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COURSE OUTCOMES:

1. Explore the newest concepts and definitions related to families.
2. Examine theoretical foundations and approaches to therapeutic interactions with family.
3. Discuss the impact of functional patterns and role structure on the family.
4. Examine family relationships and communication patterns.
5. Explore developmental characteristics of the family as a unit across the lifespan.
6. Examine health patterns and practices transmitted across generations.
7. Explore cultural differences among families.
8. Identify influences on family health promotion.

BASIC COURSE OUTLINE:

Introduction to course

Overview of definitions & concepts of family

History of the family and Family theories

Family Processes: Sociocultural influences, Environment, Communication, Power, Roles, Values, Socialization, Health care, Adaptation, Interventions, and Culture

STUDENT FEEDBACK SURVEY:

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N3352 Grading Plan:

On-Line Quiz #1	15 %
Participation in on-line discussion questions	20 %
Assignment #1 - Written movie family analysis	15 %
Assignment #2 - Written family cultural analysis	20 %
Assignment #3 - Written family assessment project	30 %

UTA College of Nursing Grading Criteria:

In order to successfully complete an undergraduate nursing course at UTA, the following minimum criteria must be met:

- 70.00 % weighted average on proctored exams (if applicable).
- 70.00 % weighted average on major written assignments.
- 90.00 % on math test (if applicable).
- 90.00 % on practicum skills check offs (if applicable).

In undergraduate nursing courses, all grade calculations will be carried out to two decimal places and there will be **no rounding of final grades**. Letter grades for tests, written assignments and end-of-course grades, etc. shall be:

90.00-100	= A
80.00-89.99	= B
70.00-79.99	= C
60.00-69.99	= D
<60.00	= F

The existing rule of C or better to progress remains in effect; therefore, to successfully complete a nursing course a student must have a course grade of 70.00 or greater. Students are expected to keep track of their performance throughout the semester and seek guidance from available sources (including the faculty) if their performance drops below satisfactory levels.

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 undergraduate handbook.

<http://www.uta.edu/nursing/bsn-program/>

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS & COURSE MATERIALS

Friedman, M. M., Bowden, V. R., & Jones, E. G. (2003). *Family nursing: Research, theory, & practice* (5th ed.). Upper Saddle River, NJ: Prentice Hall.

Houghton, P.M., Houghton, T.J., & Pratt, M.M. (2009). *APA: The easy way!* [Updated for the APA 6th edition] (2nd ed.). Flint, MI: Baker College, ISBN 978-0923568962

American Psychological Association (2001). *Publication of the American Psychological Association* (6th ed.). Washington, D.C

LATE ASSIGNMENTS/QUIZZES/PAPERS:

5 Points will be deducted for EACH DAY that an assignment/paper/project is electronically submitted after the designated due date and time.

50% will be deducted for each day that on-line quizzes are submitted after the due date and time.

Late initial discussion responses will be penalized 5 points for every day late.

There will be no credit given for late peer responses.

No assignments will be accepted after the course has closed.

There is no extra credit available for this class.

ATTENDANCE:

As an online course, attendance is not required but timely completion of all assignments and activities is required. However, while UT Arlington does not require instructors to take attendance in their courses, the U.S. Department of Education requires that the University have a mechanism in place to mark when Federal Student Aid recipients “begin attendance in a course.” UT Arlington instructors will report when students begin attendance in a course as part of the final grading process. Specifically, when assigning a student a grade of F, faculty report the last date a student attended their class based on evidence such as a test, participation in a class project or presentation, or an engagement online via Blackboard. This date is reported to the Department of Education for federal financial aid recipients.

DROP POLICY:

Students may drop or swap (adding and dropping a class concurrently) classes through self-service in MyMav from the beginning of the registration period through the late registration period. After the late registration period, students must see their academic advisor to drop a class or withdraw. Undeclared students must see an advisor in the University Advising Center. 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. For more information, contact the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships (<http://www.uta.edu/aao/fao/>).

BLACKBOARD:

Students are required to check Blackboard several times each week. Course materials such as the syllabus, course schedule, lecture/class notes, reading assignments, assignment guidelines, quizzes, grading sheets, graded papers, weekly discussion questions, and the course evaluation will be posted or transmitted via Blackboard. In addition, announcements and other important information may be posted for students.

Blackboard affords students and faculty members the opportunity for effective and detailed communication. It is also a powerful educational tool. The Blackboard discussion board should be viewed as a public and professional forum for discussion. Students are free to discuss academic matters and consult one another regarding academic resources. The tone of postings on Blackboard discussion board must remain professional in nature. It is not appropriate to post statements of a personal or political nature, or statements criticizing classmates or faculty. Inappropriate statements will be deleted by the course faculty. Announcements from student organizations may be posted with faculty permission. Failure to comply may result in further action including removal from the discussion board.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Students are responsible for any information presented on-line related to the class and for reading assigned materials, completing assigned work on time (papers, quiz, on line discussion question responses), and reviewing other materials as necessary to support comprehension and understanding of course content. **Student** responses/comments to on-line class oriented discussions should reflect academic preparation. Written assignments should exemplify professional appearance and communication skills.

All written presentations should be typed and readable, follow APA format guidelines, and use correct grammar, spelling, and punctuation.

Students are responsible for communicating needs/concerns related to the course to the Academic Coach Blackboard private email. **Students** have the option to make an appointment with the faculty regarding personal progress. Telephone conferences can be scheduled if needed.

The **faculty** will provide learning experiences designed to meet essential course content. The **faculty** is responsible to facilitate the student's learning process; support creative, individual learning; and provide guidance in the pursuit of professional development. The **faculty** will provide support and counsel to students with concerns regarding the course as requested.

SUPPORT STAFF: **Pamela Smith, *Administrative Assistant II***
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PLAGIARISM:

Copying another student's paper or any portion of it is plagiarism. Additionally, copying a portion of published material (e.g., books or journals) without adequately documenting the source is plagiarism. 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 at the end of each paragraph. 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 encouraged to review the plagiarism module from the UT Arlington Central Library via <http://library.uta.edu/tutorials/Plagiarism>

UTA INFORMATION

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT:

Disability Accommodations: UT 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)*, *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). Only those students who have officially documented a need for an accommodation will have their request honored. 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 or calling 817-272-3364. Information regarding diagnostic criteria and policies for obtaining disability-based academic accommodations can be found at www.uta.edu/disability.

Counseling and Psychological Services, (CAPS) www.uta.edu/caps/ or calling 817-272-3671 is also available to all students to help increase their understanding of personal issues, address mental and behavioral health problems and make positive changes in their lives.

Non-Discrimination Policy: *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.*

Title IX Policy: The University of Texas at Arlington (“University”) is committed to maintaining a learning and working environment that is free from discrimination based on sex in accordance with Title IX of the Higher Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in educational programs or activities; Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VII), which prohibits sex discrimination in employment; and the Campus Sexual Violence Elimination Act (SaVE Act). Sexual misconduct is a form of sex discrimination and will not be tolerated. *For information regarding Title IX, visit www.uta.edu/titleIX or contact Ms. Jean Hood, Vice President and Title IX Coordinator at (817) 272-7091 or jmhood@uta.edu.*

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY:

Students enrolled all UT Arlington courses 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 in their courses by 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 University policy, which may result in the student’s suspension or expulsion from the University. Additional information is available at <https://www.uta.edu/conduct/>.

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 and personal counseling. 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, or view the information at www.uta.edu/universitycollege/resources/index.php.

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>.

CAMPUS CARRY:

Effective August 1, 2016, the Campus Carry law (Senate Bill 11) allows those licensed individuals to carry a concealed handgun in buildings on public university campuses, except in locations the University establishes as prohibited. Under the new law, openly carrying handguns is not allowed on college campuses. For more information, visit <http://www.uta.edu/news/info/campus-carry/>

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COLLEGE OF NURSING INFORMATION**UTA College of Nursing Policy**

Effective for students entering the nursing program Fall 2009 and forward, the following policy applies:

Students within the program, enrolled in an upper division NURS course are permitted to drop the course one time. Upon attempting the course for the second time, the earned grade is retained. Students may drop no more than three upper division NURS courses during their undergraduate career. Elective and pre-nursing courses are exempt from this policy.

APA FORMAT

APA style manual will be used by the UTACON with some specific requirements for the undergraduate courses. The sample title page & instructions, as well as a Manuscript Preparation document can be found in the Student Handbook which can be found by going to the following link and clicking on BSN Student Handbook: <http://www.uta.edu/nursing/bsn-program/>

PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT ON BLACKBOARD AND SOCIAL MEDIA SITES

The Blackboard Discussion Board is to be viewed as a professional forum for student discussions. Students are free to discuss academic matters and consult one another regarding academic resources. The tone of postings on the Blackboard Discussion Board is to remain professional in nature at all times. It is not appropriate to post statements of a personal or political nature, or statements criticizing classmates or faculty. Statements considered inappropriate will be deleted by course faculty.

Announcements from student organizations may be posted to the designated level discussion board (not associated with this course).

Students are to refrain from discussing this course, including clinical situations, written assignments, peers, or faculty on all social networking sites such as Facebook, Twitter, etc. Failure to comply with these expectations may result in further action including but not limited to removal from the discussion board.

COMPUTER REQUIREMENTS:

All computers on campus will access Blackboard. If you choose to access from home you must have a computer and a quality Internet provider such as DSL, Cable, or Satellite (regular telephone is not adequate). Questions about adequate computer hardware should be directed to the UTA help desk at 817-272-2208 or www.helpdesk@uta.edu. They are open the same hours as the Library.

Your home computer's compatibility with Blackboard is your responsibility. Neither the helpdesk nor your instructor is responsible for the functionality of your home computer's configuration. If you have doubts about your own equipment you may wish to work at the many UTA Computer Labs on campus. **Please do not bring your technical problems to class. Your instructors are not available for technical support please call or contact the helpdesk.**

Word of caution:

Do not rely on employer's computer system to access Blackboard. Students have encountered various problems (such as dropping them in the middle of an on-line quiz) due to the special filters, fire walls, program blocking programs, and barriers they put on their systems. It is advised to not take any on-line quizzes on a wireless system as students have also been dropped and used up their time trying to reconnect. Use a more stable system.

Software:

Your software (WORD, POWERPOINT, EXCEL and WINDOWS) should be up to date. As a student you may purchase the latest WINDOWS and OFFICE from the Computer Store in UTA Book Store for a very nominal fee. Please take advantage of this opportunity.

NO GIFT POLICY:

In accordance with Regents Rules and Regulations and the UTA Standards of Conduct, the College of Nursing has a “no gift” policy. A donation to the UTA College of Nursing Scholarship Fund would be an appropriate way to recognize a faculty member’s contribution to our learning. For information regarding the Scholarship Fund, please contact the Dean’s office.

OBSERVANCE OF RELIGIOUS HOLY DAYS:

Undergraduate Nursing faculty and students shall follow the University policy regarding Observance of Religious Holy Days:

(http://www.uta.edu/catalog/content/general/academic_regulations.aspx#6)

The Student Handbook can be found by going to the following link:

<http://www.uta.edu/nursing/bsn-program/> and clicking on the link titled BSN Student Handbook.