

**J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College  
Course Content Summary**

**Course Prefix and Number: NUR112      Credits: 7**

**Course Title: Nursing II**

**Course Description:**

Focuses on the nursing care of individuals and/or families experiencing changes along the health/illness continuum that are common, well-defined, and have predictable outcomes. Includes math computational skills and basic computer instruction related to the delivery of nursing care. Provides supervised learning experiences in college nursing laboratories and/or cooperating agencies. Prerequisite: NUR 111. Prerequisite or co-requisite: NUR 226. Lecture 4 hours. Laboratory 9 hours. Total 13 hours per week.

**General Course Purpose**

This course is the introductory course to medical-surgical nursing. Care of the elderly population is integrated throughout the course.

**Course Prerequisites/Corequisites:**

Prerequisite: NUR 111; Corequisite: NUR 226

**Course Objectives**

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to:

1. use the nursing process to meet the common health needs of chronically ill adults and elderly persons in the acute care setting.
2. use the nursing process to meet the common health needs of adults and the elderly undergoing surgical intervention.
3. explore how theories of aging and concepts from the humanities and social sciences are used to plan and implement care for adults with chronic illness.
4. explore alterations in homeostatic mechanisms involved in delivering safe nursing care to adults with chronic illness.
5. implement caring interventions to meet the physiological and psychosocial needs of adults with chronic illness and those requiring surgical intervention.
6. explore priorities of nursing care for adults with chronic illness and those requiring surgical intervention.
7. explore legal and ethical dilemmas involved in caring for adults with chronic illnesses and those requiring surgical intervention.
8. use principles of teaching and learning to promote an optimum level of wellness for adults with chronic illness and those requiring surgical intervention.
9. use members of the interdisciplinary healthcare team to maintain or promote an optimum level of wellness for adults with chronic illness.
10. assume responsibility and accountability for improving performance in managing the nursing care of adults with chronic illness.

**Major Topics to be Included:**

- a. Chronic Illness, Aging concepts

- b. Nursing Care in surgery
- c. genitourinary health alterations,
- d. gastrointestinal health alterations,
- e. regulatory health alterations of the endocrine system (diabetes),
- f. perfusion health alterations,
- g. respiratory health alterations,
- h. cell regulatory health alterations-concepts of nursing care in cancer.

**Effective Date of Course Content Summary:** February 11, 2009