Carol and Odis Peavy School of Nursing at the University of St. Thomas

COURSE INFORMATION
Course Title: Holistic Nursing: Care of Adults and Older Adults
Course number: NURS 3651
Semester: Fall 2017

Course Description:
This six-credit course focuses on the care of the adults and older adults experiencing health alterations from a holistic nursing perspective and is grounded in the university philosophy that nursing is a healing ministry focused on body, mind and spirit. A conceptual framework derived from nursing science, life, behavioral and social sciences, humanities, theology and philosophy provides a foundation for clinical reasoning in providing nursing care and supporting the healing process for adults and their families experiencing a range of alterations along the wellness-illness continuum.

Placement: Undergraduate

Prerequisites: NURS 2542 Foundations of Holistic Nursing Practice and NURS 2342 Health Assessment; all previous pre-nursing courses

Credit Hours: 6 credits (Theory 3 credits (45 hrs.); Lab 1.3 credits (58.5 hrs.); Clinical 1.7 credits (80 hrs.)

Course Schedule: T, Th class; W lab/simulation; November-Clinical (see class schedule for specifics)

Course Withdrawal “W” Date: The last day to drop course with a “W” is November 3, 2017.

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She has 6 chickens, 5 kids, 3 cats, 2 dogs, 2 crested geckos, 2 lizards, 1 rooster and a partridge in a pear tree. In her spare time she runs crossroads cultural center with a friend. She loves art and everything that has to do with beauty. She is a self-proclaimed apothecarist, retrieving herbs from...
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REQUIRED COURSE RESOURCES

Course Text and Resource Materials:


Text from previous nursing courses.

All of the following documents are on Blackboard, you will not have to purchase them (in order of when you will access them according to module/week):


Leyden, K. L. (2012). Activity-rest circadian rhythms in persons living at home with moderate to severe chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston School of Nursing. (Blackboard)


Kilik, J., Kennedy, K. (Producers) & Schnabel, J. (Director). (2007) *The Diving Bell and the Butterfly* [Motion Picture]. France: Canal+ (Film)

Resources:
http://www.houstontx.gov/housing/support.html
http://www.homelesshouston.org/hh/default.asp
http://homeless-healthcare.org/


Optional:


LEARNING OUTCOMES

Course Goals & Objectives
Using the application of course content, participation in the learning activities, and the related assessment techniques, you will be able to demonstrate measurable skills for the following objectives:

1. Integrate theoretical knowledge from arts and sciences to reason through priority nursing interventions for adults and their families.
2. Analyze assessment data to formulate the optimal nursing plan of care.
3. Integrate concepts of holistic care, family-centered care, and evidence-based practice into the nursing care of adults and families.
4. Apply reflective thinking as a habit within adult nursing practice.
5. Develop beginning clinical skills to efficiently provide safe care to adults and families.
6. Provide current and appropriate health education to adults and their families.
7. Apply normal physiological concepts related to wellness and illness throughout the adult life cycle.
8. Identify risk factors and prevention strategies for priority adult health conditions.
9. Integrate ethical standards, professional role, and culturally competent care in the nursing care of adults and families.
10. Demonstrate teamwork with students, faculty, and clinical staff in the shared learning and discovery process.
11. Collaborate with adults, their families, and health care providers toward mutually desired health related goals.
12. Recognize one’s own attitudes, values, and expectations about aging and their impact on the care of older adults and their families.
13. Integrate concepts related to physical, psychological, social and spiritual changes associated with aging into the holistic nursing process for older adults.
14. Identify strategies for health promotion and disease prevention to maximize the potential for healthy aging.
15. Learn to effectively communicate necessary patient information for care continuity.

**Clinical Course Goals & Objectives**
The goals of clinical nursing education are to enable the students to apply theoretical learning, develop communication skills, perform safe therapeutic intervention, exhibit caring behaviors, apply ethical perspectives and develop critical thinking skills. In the clinical setting the student will accomplish this by working directly with assigned preceptors in a nursing unit to directly administer care to adult patients. Clinical rotations are a required activity for all students. Clinical failure will directly result in course failure regardless of theory component.

1. Demonstrates therapeutic communication skills to moderately complex clients and families.
2. Identify roles and functions of interdisciplinary team members.
3. Practice holistic health history and health assessment in the adult care setting.
4. Implement holistic and evidenced-based nursing plans of care and interventions utilizing the nursing process and principles of adult heath care to moderately complex clients and families.
5. Utilize clinical reasoning skills to provide a safe and therapeutic care environment for moderately complex clients and families.
6. Demonstrates beginning proficiency in psychomotor skills.
7. Able to deliver care to 1-2 moderately complex clients in an organized, efficient, safe, manner.
8. With assistance of preceptor, uses information technology to deliver and document care and is able to communicate nursing care in a prompt, concise, and orderly way.
10. Demonstrate teamwork and recognition of Texas Board of Nursing Practice Standards as they apply to clinical practice.
11. Incorporates values of the profession in the delivery of care.
12. Actively participates in clinical conferences and/or one-on-one discussions with clinical faculty and identify areas of self-growth through reflective practice.

Students will follow a RN assigned to them by their clinical instructor. Students will participate in care and assist in developing opportunities for routine nursing care.

**PRINCIPAL UNITS OF THE COURSE (Topical Course Outline)**

I. Problems related to movement and coordination: Musculoskeletal system; Older adults population and disability
II. Problems of oxygenation: Ventilation
III. Problems of oxygenation: Perfusion
IV. Problems of oxygenation: Transport
V. Pathophysiologic mechanisms of disease: Immune system (allergies/cancer/HIV/AIDS)
VI. Problems related to altered sensory input; Problems related to movement and coordination: Nervous system
VII. Problems of ingestion, digestion, absorption; Elimination: Gastrointestinal system
VIII. Problems related to reproductive mechanisms; Problems of urinary function
IX. Problems related to regulatory mechanisms; Problems of ingestion, digestion, absorption, elimination: Nutrition
X. Chronic illness in the older adult; Concepts on nursing practice: Sleep, chronobiology, stress; Holistic Nursing

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

Successful completion of a Nursing Clinical Course
1. Weighted 75% test average. Student must achieve a 75% weighted course average on tests for other evaluative components to be added for final course grade. Students who do not achieve 75% weighted average will be awarded his/her exam average grade as a course grade.
2. Completion of all course assignments and tests.
3. Completion and submission of clinical assignments and written work.
4. Achievement of a final course grade of C or higher (> 75).
5. A satisfactory clinical evaluation.
6. Grades at 0.5 or higher will be rounded up.

Methods of Instruction
This is a blended course including:
• Blackboard online instruction
  o Pre-class interactive preparation for the course is posted at UST’s Blackboard which can be accessed through the UST website at http://www.stthom.edu (right column has the Blackboard link).
• Class discussion
• Small group work
• Adaptive quizzing
• Community Assessment
• Skills lab
• Simulation, simulation check off
• Clinical Experience

HESI Evolve Case Studies
Each student may complete up to three medical-surgical case studies by the exam date covering the topics in that exam for one extra credit point for each case study completed scoring 85% or better with an average of 3 attempts. Students must send proof of completion by midnight prior to exam via screenshot and email or may bring document in prior to taking exam.

HESI Specialty Exams
A HESI Specialty exam will be administered twice in this course. HESI Specialty Exam #1 will be administered on Thursday, November 30, 2017. All students are required to complete the online HESI
remediation for HESI Specialty Exam #1 before finals week. HESI Specialty Exam #2 will be administered on Thursday, December 14, 2017. The higher raw score will be used for readiness and progression assessment. The higher conversion score of the two HESI exams will be recorded in the grade book as the final exam grade. This exam is 25% of the course grade.

**Dosage and Solutions Exam**

Students will have 3 dosage and solutions exams, each following the scheduled didactic multiple choice exam. These math exams are P/F. However, for dosage and solution exam 1 and 2 each score of 100% will earn 1 extra credit points to that correlating Exam. Students must score 100% on the 3rd dosage and solution exam to begin clinical the following week.

**Evaluation**

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*Failure to pass P/F evaluation components may result in overall failure of the class or reflect on your professional behavior grade component.

**HESI Course Grading Rules**

Students are responsible for monitoring their own grades in Bb under the My Grades tab. Any discrepancies must be reported to the Course Coordinator in a timely fashion.

Grades are awarded based on the following scale:

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**Testing Average**
Students must receive a **75% weighted average or above on all testing items** in order to receive a passing score for the course.

Students who receive a test grade below a “C” will be referred to the Faculty Academic Coach (FAC). Students may review their course exams during a 2-week period following exams by scheduling an appointment with the Course Coordinator or Faculty Academic Coach (FAC).

**UNIVERSITY-PEAVY SCHOOL OF NURSING (UST-PSON) COURSE POLICIES**

1. **Attendance/Tardiness/Participation**

   (a) **Attendance:** Class attendance is required and the student is responsible for all material covered. If the student is not able to attend class, the student is to notify the instructor before the missed session. Failure to notify the instructor could constitute an unexcused absence as determined by the Course Coordinator.

   (b) **Absence and Tardiness Policies:** Absences and tardiness are recorded beginning from the first class session after the student has enrolled in the course. Course Coordinators are not obligated to allow students to make up work they miss due to unexcused absences. Students who have excessive absences will be at risk for failing the course, might not be allowed to take the final exam, or might receive an Incomplete. (Course Coordinators may apply additional attendance policies as deemed appropriate to individual courses). Refer to the **UST-PSON Student Handbook**.

   (c) **Dropping a Class:** **YOU MUST OFFICIALLY DROP OR WITHDRAW FROM A COURSE.** Once a student registers for a course, the student will receive a grade for the course unless the drop or withdrawal process is completed through the Registrar’s Office. This includes students who may have **never** actually attended class or who may never have completed payment of tuition and fees for each course.

   (d) **Computer Use Policy:** Students may use their own personal electronic devices to take notes or refer to class materials in class but **NOT** during quizzes or exams. Students will be told to turn off electronic **devices** if they are being used in ways that are not permitted in the classroom and during exams/quizzes.

   (e) **Mobile Electronic Devices:** All personal electronic mobile devices will be kept on vibrate or silent mode. **No** texting or talking on phones is permitted during class time. Any personal recording during class requires the instructor’s permission. All emergency situations must be handled outside of the classroom environment.

   (f) **Netiquette:** Refers to the generally accepted rules of behavior for communicating in an online environment.

   **Please follow these guidelines in all your online responses and discussion groups.**

   **RESPECT.** We would like to suggest respectful exchanges as a basic ground rule. We feel that informational errors should be pointed out respectfully (even if stated
strongly). Disagreements that honor the viewpoints of the various contributors are productive and can lead to new learning and understanding. If you use abusive or offensive language, you will be blocked from the discussion area and potentially removed from this course. If that is the case, you will not receive a refund of your tuition or fees.

**PRIVACY.** Keep in mind not only your own privacy rights but others' as well. Do not reveal any information that you deem private.

**BE CONSIDERATE** of grammatical/spelling errors.

**REMEMBER** that humor and satire are often misinterpreted online. Communication is more than words. So be prepared for some misunderstanding and requests for clarification.

**BE SUPPORTIVE.** We are all still learning. Our job is not to judge or condemn or even praise, although genuine encouragement is a necessary ingredient. We are here to provide information, to address topics in a discussion forum, and to provide assistance in helping each participant use her/his own unique learning style. Reflection generally precedes growth. So reflect upon what is said, provide sincere comments, and hopefully, we will all grow.

One good way to avoid problems is to reread your postings before sending them. Something written in haste may be misread.

2. **Missed Assignments/Exams and Late Assignments**
   
   (a) **Missed Tests/Quizzes:** Students who are not able to take a test when it is scheduled must notify the faculty member as soon as possible before the test period begins. The Course Coordinator will determine the make-up process, if any.

   (b) **Late Work:** Assignments are due at the beginning of the class period unless otherwise indicated. All late papers/assignments will have five (5) points deducted per day, this includes weekend days. Due dates will be provided in the course calendar. Assignment guidelines and grading rubrics will be provided in Bb.

   (c) **Incomplete Grades:** The faculty may grant an incomplete if a student has not met all of the criteria for passing the course. Such situations may include students who have a documented emergency in the last few days of a semester.

3. **Testing Policies**

   **Exam Regulations**

   (a) **UST-PSON Classroom Exam Agreements**
   
   - All bags are placed outside of classroom on cart.
   - All personal items (including phones) are placed outside classroom.
   - All phones MUST be off or silenced.
   - No bottles or food on desks at any time.
   - Test items should never be copied/pasted/forwarded/photographed or reproduced in any form.
   - Scrap paper will be provided by faculty.
• Scrap paper must be returned to faculty with the student’s name on it when the student completes the exam.
• Concerns about specific test questions should be written on scrap paper and personally handed to faculty at the end of the exam.
• Students cannot leave the classroom for any reason during the exam (except for exams lasting more than 2.5 hours and only one student may leave at a time).
• Students must exit the classroom quietly immediately after completing the exam.

(b) Students must direct all questions and concerns to the exam facilitator by raising their hand. Failure to comply may lead to student being asked to leave the classroom.

(c) Students will not be allowed into the classroom to take the exam after the scheduled start time. The Course Coordinator will determine the consequences of missing the exam(s).

4. Academic Integrity of Student Work

UST students should demonstrate integrity in all of their activities, both personal and professional. Any unprofessional behavior or failure to adhere to the honor system is a serious violation of integrity and may result in failure of the course. The current UST Student Handbook is located in Bb under My Organizations, then SON Student Resources.

The UST-PSON Student Handbook contains detailed information on plagiarism and related policies. The UST-PSON Student Handbook is located in Bb under My Organizations, then SON Student Resources. Students are held accountable for knowing and adhering to these policies.

5. Policy on Written Assignments

The Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (most current edition) is the required style manual that must be used in writing papers in the UST-PSON.

6. ADA Student Accommodations

In accordance with Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, and the ADA Amendments Act of 2008, the University of St. Thomas will make all possible and reasonable adjustments in policies, practices, services, and facilities to ensure equal and optimal educational programs and activities for students who need accommodations. The University must balance the individual’s right to receive equal access and the University’s right to ensure the integrity of its programs. Students should be aware of and take into consideration if their accommodations conflict with the AACN (2001) Nursing Essential Functions as identified in the SON Student Handbook.

Students seeking academic accommodations must schedule an intake appointment in the Office of Counseling and Disability Services (CDS) on the 2nd floor of Crooker Center. This office is open Monday through Friday, 9 am – 5 pm. To receive accommodations, students must provide information that validates that a disability exists. This may include professional documentation that identifies the disability and indicates substantial limitations in daily activities as they relate to the academic environment. Each student’s situation is individually assessed and reviewed. Once approved, letters of accommodation (LOAs) are issued and the student should distribute them to
their Course Coordinator and Academic Advisor. Academic accommodations are not applied retroactively; it is best to request new LOAs early each semester.

Students should contact the Course Coordinator immediately if new needs arise. Students can see the instructor before or after class or request another time to discuss such matters. Confidential information regarding accommodations is only shared with faculty, staff, or administration on a need-to-know basis with the student’s written permission.

For more information about Disability Services, contact CDS at 713-525-6953 or 713-525-2169.

7. **Course and Instructor Evaluations**

There is an end of semester evaluation for this course and the Course Coordinator. This evaluation is confidential. Students are strongly encouraged to complete the evaluations because input is very valuable. Instructions on how to access evaluations will be provided two to three weeks before the end of each semester.

**METHODS OF BLENDED LEARNING**

Blended learning is an educational approach that assesses and integrates the strengths of face-to-face, mobile, and online learning to address a course’s educational goals. The use of multiple interactive learning environments outside the classroom makes interaction inside the classroom more effective and productive. All SON courses are offered in a blended learning or completely online format. These formats incorporate teaching and learning activities using online and/or face-to-face methods of instruction. Blackboard (Bb), a web-based management system, houses the main components of the courses. Course content, assignments, due dates, and quizzes will be provided through Bb. Students must use UST email to respond to the course instructors and peers about assigned topics. Students must participate in all online (graded or ungraded) activities.

This course has content/activities delivered from multiple directions and multiple dimensions both synchronous and asynchronous. This course has three main components:

- The **Syllabus** which has key information for the course along with course guidelines and expectations.
- **Grading Rubrics** which communicates grading guidelines. It can also provide the student with a basis for self-evaluation, reflection, and peer review.
- **Course Content Outline /Calendar** which communicates class date, time, and location; assignments and exams that are due in both environments, in and out of class; and clinical rotation times, depending on type of course.

**Some Helpful Information**

- **Access to internet** – You must have daily access to the internet and use Bb site regularly between classes to keep up with announcements and to complete assigned activities.
- **Learning is not a spectator sport** – You are expected to take responsibility to actively use the online materials and manage your time so that you complete assigned readings and online activities in between face-to-face sessions.

- **Use of new technologies** – Online tutorials on the use of Bb tools are located at [http://www.stthom.edu/Offices_and_Services/Information_Technology/Services/Training/Student_Tutorials.aqf?Page_ID=5512](http://www.stthom.edu/Offices_and_Services/Information_Technology/Services/Training/Student_Tutorials.aqf?Page_ID=5512). Training on how to use other required technologies will be provided to students by the faculty as needed.

- **Student resources**: Students are encouraged to access the UST library as well as other appropriate internet sources as needed.

- **Library Link** – Nursing Section [http://libguides.stthom.edu/Nursing](http://libguides.stthom.edu/Nursing)

- **Student computing services** – **Call the UST Help Desk at 713-525-6900** or email [lthelp@stthom.edu](mailto:lthelp@stthom.edu). Available services are detailed on their website.

- **Nursing Success Center (NSC)** – Provides academic advising, peer mentoring, state board licensing preparation, study skills tutorials, and time management tutorials for nursing and pre-nursing students.

**CLINICAL EXPECTATIONS AND GUIDELINES**

Clinical objectives for this course are listed above in this syllabus under Clinical Course Goals & Objectives. The clinical component of this course is graded as Pass or Fail. This clinical experience meets the requirement for the Texas Board of Nurses. The student will demonstrate skills and knowledge learned in the classroom and simulation laboratory during supervised clinical experiences.

**Clinical Failing Behaviors**: Clinical failing behaviors are based on the Texas Board of Nursing Standards of Professional Practice §217.11 and Unprofessional Conduct rules §217.12 ([http://www.bon.state.tx.us/nursinglaw/pdfs/bon-rr-0910.pdf](http://www.bon.state.tx.us/nursinglaw/pdfs/bon-rr-0910.pdf)). A list of clinical failing behaviors is in the **UST-PSON Student Handbook**. Some examples include but are not limited to:

- Performance is unsafe.
- Questionable decisions are often made.
- Lacks insight into own behaviors and that of others.
- Significant difficulty in adapting to new ideas/functions.
- Continues to need additional guidance and direction beyond a reasonable period of time.
- Demonstrates professional misconduct.

**Criteria for Clinical Grading**: Criteria for each clinical competency on clinical evaluation forms is rated as meets, exceeds, or does not meet expectations. Critical items require a rating of at least “meets expectations” on the final evaluation.
**Clinical Attendance:** Students are expected to attend all of the clinical hours for this course in order to meet required learning outcomes. The Course Coordinator or Clinical Instructor will contact students in the event that clinical is cancelled due to inclement weather or emergency situations. Attempts will be made to schedule clinical make-up days. Failure to arrive at the clinical site during a scheduled assignment without at least two hours prior notification to the clinical instructor may result in failure of a clinical course, as determined by the faculty.

Students who are unable to complete required clinical hours due to excused clinical absences may receive an Incomplete in the course. An Incomplete may result in delayed progression in the academic program.

**Clinical Preparedness:** Students are expected to arrive at the clinical agency prepared to care for assigned client(s). Students who are not prepared to care for assigned clients may be sent home and will receive a written warning for that clinical day. Students may be required to submit an assignment (e.g., written paper, formal presentation) to the clinical faculty following established criteria in addition to completing all of the clinical hours for this course. This includes professional appearance and uniform requirements. Refer to the most current *UST-PSON Student Handbook*.

**Clinical Dress Policy:** Uniforms and name badges are worn when on duty in the hospital and in the community during the clinical nursing experience. Attire must be neat and appropriate. Students not following the dress code may be sent home and will receive a written warning for that clinical day. Review the *UST-PSON Student Handbook* for detailed information regarding the dress policy.

**Clinical Evaluations:** The purpose of clinical evaluations is to provide feedback to the student and faculty. Students will be asked to complete clinical evaluation forms about self-evaluations, faculty evaluations, and clinical site evaluations. Formative feedback is provided during each clinical experience. Clinical warnings may be issued any time during the clinical rotation. Failure to pass clinical will result in overall course failure regardless of overall theoretical grade.

**LAB EXPECTATION AND GUIDELINES**

**Lab Description**
Skills labs are conducted to provide the student with opportunities to practice application of theory to simulated clinical situations. Content for each lab is based on theory topics from the classroom portion of the course. Labs are a required activity for all students. Skill lab failure will directly result in course failure.

**Lab Objectives**
1. Develop beginning clinical skills to efficiently provide safe care to adults and families.
2. Utilize patient simulation laboratory to learn necessary skills in a controlled setting.
3. Learn techniques to safely implement or maintain therapies in adults.

**Lab Simulation**
Each of you will participate in a 3-Tiered Model Simulation.

1st Tier: Sim-Skills
This lab consists of psychomotor skills necessary to perform in the clinical setting.

2nd Tier: Sim-Shift
This lab consists of psychomotor skills, psychosocial skills, and beginning clinical judgment. You will be working in the simulation lab as if you were working on a hospital unit.

3rd Tier: Sim-Care
This lab consists of small group work taking care of one simulated patient with an acute or critical problem. This learning environment will help you develop your clinical judgment.

Simulation Evaluation
The Sim-Skill evaluation is the portion of the course in which you earn a letter grade for learned psychomotor, psychosocial skills, and clinical judgment. You will arrive at the simulation and be given a case scenario in which you are expected to utilize the nursing process holistically to care for a simulated patient. Any material covered in class, be it theoretical or psychomotor, may be included in the simulation evaluation. Any retakes will be completed on a case-by-case basis and will be a maximum of 2 retakes with required remediation. Should retake be necessary, and passing occurs on retake, minimum passing grade of 75% will be recorded for letter grade. Sim-Shift and Sim-Care evaluation is the portion of the course in which there is a pass/fail component for learned, psychosocial skills, and clinical judgment. In ability to pass Sim-Shift or Sim-Care will result in remediation and retake allotment. Simulation failure, including retake allotment, may directly result in course failure regardless of theory component.

Lab Dress Policy
Same as Clinical Dress Policy above.

In-Class Quizzes/Adaptive Quizzing
In-class quizzes are administered prior to lecture to ensure activity preparation for the week. Adaptive quizzing corresponds to module content. Adaptive quizzing is the method used for this course. Quizzes will be assigned on a weekly basis. Quizzes on content areas prior to the exam covering that content are due prior to that exam. Students will receive credit based on times of completion. It is strongly suggested you completely them weekly.

CLASS SCHEDULE
See schedule in Blackboard

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NURS 3651 Holistic Nursing: Care of Adults/Older Adults

Acknowledgement of Receipt of Course Syllabus

Course faculty will review the syllabus on the first day of class. I understand that it is my responsibility to read the syllabus which is available on Blackboard. If I am unclear about any portion of the syllabus, I will ask for clarification from the Course Coordinator, as well as, refer to the SON and UST Student Handbooks.

This form must be signed on or before the 2nd week of class.

Initial the following statement and sign below. This form will be placed in your SON student file.

_______ I acknowledge that I have access to the online NURS 3651

_______ I acknowledge that I have read the syllabus and that I have been given an opportunity to ask questions about the details of the course.

_______ I acknowledge that I understand the methods of evaluation and course grading rules.

_______ I acknowledge that I have sufficient information to sign this form. I understand its contents.

Print Name __________________________________________________________

Student Signature ___________________________________ Date: ________________

Revised and Approved by SON Faculty – December 2014
**HIPAA/CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT**

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Protected Health Information (PHI) is individually-identifiable information that includes, but is not limited to, patient’s name, account number, birth date, admission and discharge dates, photographs, and health plan beneficiary numbers. PHI includes patient information based on examination, test results, diagnoses, response to treatments, observations, or conversations with patients. This information is protected and patients have a right to the confidentiality of their patient care information whether this information is in written, electronic, or verbal format.

Faculty and students enrolled in the Peavy School of Nursing (PSON) program have access to patient information. Students are exposed to PHI during their clinical rotations in healthcare facilities. Medical records, case histories, medical reports, images, raw test results, and medical dictations from healthcare facilities are used for student learning activities. Students and responsible faculty may also be issued computer passwords to access PHI. Therefore, all patient identification must be removed from all submitted assignments and all healthcare information must be protected and treated confidentially.

**Directions:** Initial each row to accept responsibility for upholding the PSON Policy on Confidentiality of Personal Health Information.

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<td>1.</td>
<td>It is the policy of the PSON to keep PHI confidential and secure.</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>Any or all PHI, regardless of medium (paper, verbal, electronic, image or any other), is not to be disclosed or removed from the clinical agency.</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>Whether at the school or at a clinical site, students are not to discuss PHI, in general or in detail, in public areas under any circumstances, including hallways, cafeterias, elevators, or any other area where unauthorized people or those who do not have a need-to-know may overhear.</td>
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<td>4.</td>
<td>Unauthorized removal of any part of original medical records is prohibited. Students and faculty may not release or display copies of PHI. Case presentation material will be used in accordance with healthcare facility policies.</td>
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<td>5.</td>
<td>Students and faculty shall not access data on patients for whom they have no responsibilities or “need-to-know” the content of PHI concerning those patients.</td>
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<td>6.</td>
<td>When computer IDs and passwords are assigned to individual students and faculty, students and faculty are responsible and accountable for all work done under the associated access.</td>
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<td>7.</td>
<td>Computer ID or passwords may not be disclosed to anyone. Students and faculty are prohibited from attempting to learn or use another person’s computer ID or password.</td>
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<td>8.</td>
<td>Students and faculty agree to follow the agency’s privacy policies.</td>
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<td>9.</td>
<td>Breach of patient confidentiality, by disregarding PHI policies, may be grounds for dismissal from the agency and/or from the PSON nursing program.</td>
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- I agree to abide by the above policies and other policies at the clinical site. I further agree to keep PHI confidential.
- I understand that failure to comply with these policies will result in disciplinary actions.
- I understand that Federal and State laws govern the confidentiality and security of HIPAA/PHI information and that unauthorized disclosure of PHI is a violation of laws and may result in civil and criminal penalties.
- I understand that this signed form will be placed in my PSON student file.