Texas A&M University-Central Texas
NURS 3300 Professional Transition and Informatics for the RN

INSTRUCTOR AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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Mode of Instruction and course access:
This course is a web-based course taught online through the TAMUCT Canvas Learn system (https://tamuct.Canvas.com). You will use the Canvas username and password communicated to you separately to logon to this system.

Student-instructor interaction:
Emails and messages within Canvas are checked daily. Students may expect a response within 24 to 48 hours. Office hours may also include synchronous online student’s learning. Faculty serve as a resource person to guide the student in the learning process. Other teaching strategies include online assignments, online discussion boards, a scholarly paper, and quizzes.

911 Cellular:
Emergency Warning System for Texas A&M University-Central Texas
911Cellular is an emergency notification service that gives Texas A&M University-Central Texas the ability to communicate health and safety emergency information quickly via email, text message, and social media. All students are automatically enrolled in 911Cellular through their myCT email account.

Connect at 911Cellular [https://portal.publicsafetycloud.net/Texas-AM-Central/alert-management] to change where you receive your alerts or to opt out. By staying enrolled in 911Cellular, university officials can quickly pass on safety-related information, regardless of your location.
COURSE INFORMATION

Course Overview and Description

In this writing intensive course, students apply critical thinking skills to examine personal and professional growth, the nurse’s role in professional practice, and philosophies of professional nursing. Nursing theories, the foundations of professional nursing practice, are examined. The concepts of nursing informatics are explored as they interface with ethics, cultural competency, and health promotion concepts. These explorations are accomplished utilizing communication technologies such as learning management systems, the Internet, library electronic databases, and online seminars. Information technology resources are employed for students to demonstrate skills in electronic communications that are essential to professional nursing practice and that require basic competencies in nursing informatics.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into the Nursing Program or Approval of the Department Chair.

Course Objective: By the end of this course the associate degree registered nurse will have a grasp of the professional expectations of the baccalaureate prepared registered nurse.

Student Learning Outcomes

By the completion of the course, the student will:

- Critically appraise personal philosophies of nursing and career goals by conducting self-assessments.

- Apply critical thinking skills to learn the art and science of critical appraisal of potential evidence for nursing practice discovered in web sources and/or library electronic databases.

- Explore nursing theories and concepts as applied to evidence-based nursing practice.

- Incorporate information technology into professional nursing practice by proficiently utilizing information technology tools to access, retrieve, organize, and critically appraise relevant data.

- Explore the concepts of nursing informatics and cultural competence as they interface with professional practice.

- Incorporate American Nurses Association Standards for Nursing Informatics into practice.

- Apply theories related to computer-human interfaces, ethics, confidentiality and privacy, caring, and nursing informatics to evidence-based nursing practice.
Competency Goals Statements from The Essentials of Baccalaureate Education for Professional Nursing Practice, American Association of Colleges of Nursing (2008).

Essential IV: Information Management and Application of Patient Care Technology

Essential VIII: Professionalism and Professional Values

Required Reading and Textbooks:


In addition to APA Manual

http://apastyle.org

http://owl.english.purdue.edu/

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Course Requirements:

Quiz 1 (100 points)
This multiple choice quiz covers chapters 1-3 in your textbook.
Associated Student Learning Outcomes:
Critically appraise personal philosophies of nursing and career goals by conducting self-assessments.

Quiz 2 (100 points)
This quiz covers *chapter 5 & 6 in Sewell, Informatics and Nursing*.
Associated Student Learning Outcomes:
Explore nursing theories and concepts as applied to evidence-based nursing practice.

Quiz 3 (100 points)
This quiz covers chapter 6
Associated Student Learning Outcomes:
Apply critical thinking skills to learn the art and science of critical appraisal of potential evidence for nursing practice discovered in web sources and/or library databases.
Apply theories related to computer-human interfaces, ethics, confidentiality and privacy, caring, and nursing informatics to evidence-based nursing practice.

Quiz 4 (100 points)
This quiz is taken from chapter 9
Associated Student Learning Outcomes
Apply critical thinking skills to learn the art and science of critical appraisal of potential evidence for nursing practice discovered in web sources and/or library electronic databases.

Quiz 5 (100 points)
This quiz is from Chapter 13
Associated Student Learning Outcomes:
- Incorporate information technology into professional nursing practice by proficiently utilizing information technology tools to access, retrieve, organize, and critically appraise relevant data.

Quiz 6 (100 points)
This quiz is from Chapter 15 in Sewell, Informatics and Nursing
Associated Student Learning Outcomes:
- Incorporate information technology into professional nursing practice by proficiently utilizing information technology tools to access, retrieve, organize, and critically appraise relevant data.
- Incorporate American Nurses Association Standards for Nursing Informatics into practice.
- Apply critical thinking skills to learn the art and science of critical appraisal of potential evidence for nursing practice discovered in web sources and/or library electronic databases.

Assignment 1 and 2 (30 points each)
Submit the Title page and reference page to your final paper, using APA format.
Associated Student Learning Outcomes
- Incorporate information technology into professional nursing practice by proficiently utilizing information technology tools to access, retrieve, organize, and critically appraise relevant data.

Assignment 3 (30 points)
Choose a nursing theory from your text that matches your philosophy of nursing and submit a formal short paper. See rubric.
Associated Student Learning Outcomes
- Critically appraise personal philosophies of nursing and career goals by conducting self-assessments.
- Explore nursing theories and concepts as applied to evidence-based nursing practice.

Discussion Board (DB) 1 (10 points)
Nursing education entry into practice.
Associated Student Learning Outcomes
Critically appraise personal philosophies of nursing and career goals by conducting self-assessments.

DB 2 (10 points)
Nursing Socialization/Improvement
Associated Student Learning Outcomes
   Explore the concepts of nursing informatics and cultural competence as they interface with professional practice.

DB 3 (10 points) Chapter 10 in Sewell, *Informatics and Nursing*
Finding Knowledge in the Digital Library - Answer three questions and reply to two classmates.
Associated Student Learning Outcomes
   Explore the concepts of nursing informatics and cultural competence as they interface with professional practice.

DB 4 (10 points) Chapter 13 in Sewell, *Informatics and Nursing*
Empowered Consumer
Associated Student Learning Outcomes
   Explore the concepts of nursing informatics and cultural competence as they interface with professional practice.

DB 5 (10 points) Chap. 10, Teaching and Learning
Choose two web sites you would recommend to a patient for more medical information. Using Box 10-1, evaluate the site and give a brief summary of the results. Respond to two classmates.
   Apply theories related to computer-human interfaces, ethics, confidentiality and privacy, caring, and nursing informatics to evidence-based nursing practice.
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<td>The paper includes the student's personal nursing philosophy</td>
<td>The paper does not include the student's personal nursing philosophy</td>
<td>The paper includes a nursing philosophy that is not the student</td>
<td>The paper includes the student's personal nursing philosophy</td>
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<td>The paper uses a professional nursing theory in the paper that best aligns with the student's personal philosophy</td>
<td>The paper does not use a professional nursing theory in the paper</td>
<td>The paper uses a theory in the paper that is not nursing based</td>
<td>The paper uses a professional nursing theory in the paper</td>
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<td>Include (2) Pros and (2) Cons of the nursing theory you chose</td>
<td>Less than (1) Pro and (1) Con of the nursing theory was included</td>
<td>Only (1) Pro and (1) Con of the nursing theory was included</td>
<td>(2) Pros and (2) Cons of the nursing theory were included</td>
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<td>Composition of paper Is organized with a minimum of 3 headings.</td>
<td>No headings were used in the paper</td>
<td>Less than (3) headings were used in the paper</td>
<td>(3) Headings were used in the paper</td>
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<td>Include 2 peer-reviewed journal articles related to your paper.</td>
<td>The paper contained no peer-reviewed references.</td>
<td>The paper contained (1) peer-reviewed reference.</td>
<td>The paper contained (2) peer-reviewed references.</td>
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<td>Use correct APA format including title page, in-text citations, Spelling/Grammar and reference page</td>
<td>(5) or more of the pages had APA errors.</td>
<td>(1-4) of the pages had APA errors.</td>
<td>None of the pages had APA errors.</td>
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Total | 0 | 18 | 30 |
## Online Discussion Rubric

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<td>Provide an initial post to the discussion board related to the weekly topic</td>
<td>No initial posting to the discussion board was made.</td>
<td>The initial post was not related to the weekly topic.</td>
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<td>Provide a response to other colleagues in the class; may include agreement/disagreement with supporting rationale or constructive suggestions and ideas</td>
<td>No responses were made to colleagues.</td>
<td>Less than assigned number of responses were made to colleagues.</td>
<td>Assigned, meaningful responses were made to colleagues</td>
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<td>No grammatical and/or spelling errors in postings.</td>
<td>There were 3 grammatical or spelling errors.</td>
<td>There were 1-2 grammatical or spelling errors.</td>
<td>No grammatical or spelling errors.</td>
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<td>Discussion was conducted in a courteous and respectful manner.</td>
<td>The weekly discussion were not conducted in a courteous and respectful manner.</td>
<td>Discussions were conducted in a courteous and respectful manner.</td>
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<td>Respond to a variety of classmates each week.</td>
<td>Responds to the same classmates each week.</td>
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### Grading Criteria Rubric and Conversion

5.1 Discussions 30%
5.2 Assignments 10%
5.3 Quizzes 30%
5.4 Nursing Theory Paper 30%
**Total:** 100%

A=90-100
B=80-89
C=70-79
D=60-69
F=59 or below
Posting of Grades:

All student grades will be posted on the Canvas Grade book. Students should monitor their grading status often and report to the instructor any discrepancies. Quiz and exam grades taken through Canvas are posted upon successful submission. Faculty graded assignments and discussion posts will usually be posted within 72 hours after the due date and time.
# COURSE OUTLINE AND CALENDAR

## NURS 3300 Fall 2018

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<td>8-27-18</td>
<td>Welcome to the Course!</td>
<td>Friberg &amp; Cresia Chap. 1-3</td>
<td>Sample Quiz, No grade, over syllabus.</td>
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<td>Module 1</td>
<td>Syllabus overview</td>
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<td>Sample Discussion Board, submit &amp; reply Sample Assignment, submit attachment</td>
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<td>Canvas basics</td>
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<td>Module 2</td>
<td>Historical Development</td>
<td>Friberg &amp; Cresia Chap. 5, 6</td>
<td>Online Collaborate Meeting</td>
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<td>Quiz 1, over Chap. 1-3 Due 9-9</td>
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<td>DB 1, from Chap. 2, Nursing Education Pathways, Due 9-9 by 2400</td>
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<td>Module 3</td>
<td>Nursing Theories</td>
<td>Friberg &amp; Cresia Ch 3</td>
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<td>Module 4</td>
<td>See resources in Canvas</td>
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<td>Assign. I, Title Page of final paper</td>
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<td>Informatics</td>
<td>Sewell Chap. 5, 6</td>
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<td>Quiz 2, over Chap. 5 &amp; 6 in Sewell due 9-30</td>
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<td>Evidence Based practice</td>
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TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS AND SUPPORT

Technology Requirements

This course will use the TAMUCT Canvas Learn learning management system for class communications, content distribution, and assessments. Logon to https://tamuct.Canvas.com to access the course.
Username: Your MyCT username (xx123 or everything before the "@" in your MyCT e-mail address)
Initial password: Your MyCT password

For this course, you will need reliable and frequent access to a computer and to the Internet. You will also need a headset with a microphone or speakers and a microphone to be able to listen to online resources and conduct other activities in the course. If you do not have frequent and reliable access to a computer with Internet connection, please consider dropping this course or contact me (klong@tamuct.edu) to discuss your situation.

Canvas supports the most common operating systems:
Check browser and computer compatibility by following the “Browser Check” link on the TAMU-CT Canvas logon page. (http://tamuct.Canvas.com) This is a CRITICAL step as these settings are important for when you take an exam or submit an assignment.

Upon logging on to Canvas Learn, you will see a link to Canvas Student Orientation under My Courses tab. Click on that link and study the materials in this orientation course. The new Canvas is a brand-new interface and you will have to come up to speed with it really quickly. This orientation course will help you get there. There is also a link to Canvas Help from inside the course on the left-hand menubar. The first week of the course includes activities and assignments that will help you get up to speed with navigation, sending and receiving messages and discussion posts, and submitting an assignment. Your ability to function within the Canvas system will facilitate your success in this course.
Technology issues are not an excuse for missing a course requirement – make sure your computer is configured correctly and address issues well in advance of deadlines.

Technology Support

Canvas Support

Use the Canvas Help link, located at the bottom of the left-hand menu, for issues with Canvas. You can select “Chat with Canvas Support,” submit a support request through “Report a Problem,” or call the Canvas support line: 1-844-757-0953.

For issues related to course content and requirements, contact your instructor.

Other Technology Support

For log-in problems, students should contact Help Desk Central.
24 hours a day, 7 days a week:
   Email: helpdesk@tamu.edu
   Phone: (254) 519-5466
   Web Chat: [http://hdc.tamu.edu]

Please let the support technician know you are an A&M-Central Texas student.

COURSE AND UNIVERSITY PROCEDURES AND POLICIES

Drop Policy

Drop Policy.
If you discover that you need to drop this class, you must complete a Drop Request Form [https://www.tamuct.edu/registrar/docs/Drop_Request_Form.pdf].

Professors cannot drop students; this is always the responsibility of the student. The Registrar’s Office will provide a deadline on the Academic Calendar for which the form must be completed, signed and returned. Once you return the signed form to the Registrar’s Office, you must go into Warrior Web and confirm that you are no longer enrolled. If you still show as enrolled, FOLLOW-UP with the Registrar’s Office immediately. You are to attend class until the procedure is complete to avoid penalty for absence. Should you miss the drop deadline or fail to follow the procedure, you will receive an F in the course, which may affect your financial aid and/or VA educational benefits.

Academic Integrity

Texas A&M University -Central Texas values the integrity of the academic enterprise and strives for the highest standards of academic conduct. A&M-Central Texas expects its students, faculty, and staff to support the adherence to high standards of personal and scholarly conduct to preserve the honor and integrity of the creative community. Academic integrity is defined as a commitment to honesty, trust, fairness, respect, and responsibility. Any deviation by students from this expectation may result in a failing grade for the assignment and potentially a failing grade for the course. Academic misconduct is any act that improperly affects a true and honest
evaluation of a student’s academic performance and includes, but is not limited to, cheating on an examination or other academic work, plagiarism and improper citation of sources, using another student’s work, collusion, and the abuse of resource materials. All academic misconduct concerns will be reported to the university’s Office of Student Conduct. Ignorance of the university’s standards and expectations is never an excuse to act with a lack of integrity. When in doubt on collaboration, citation, or any issue, please contact your instructor before taking a course of action.

Academic Accommodations.
At Texas A&M University-Central Texas, we value an inclusive learning environment where every student has an equal chance to succeed and has the right to a barrier-free education. The Office of Access and Inclusion is responsible for ensuring that students with a disability receive equal access to the university’s programs, services and activities. If you believe you have a disability requiring reasonable accommodations please contact the Office of Access and Inclusion at (254) 501-5831. Any information you provide is private and confidential and will be treated as such.

For more information please visit our Access & Inclusion web page [https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/access-inclusion.html].

Important information for Pregnant and/or Parenting Students.
Texas A&M University-Central Texas supports students who are pregnant and/or parenting. In accordance with requirements of Title IX and related guidance from US Department of Education’s Office of Civil Rights, the Dean of Student Affairs’ Office can assist students who are pregnant and/or parenting in seeking accommodations related to pregnancy and/or parenting. Students should seek out assistance as early in the pregnancy as possible. For more information, please visit the Student Affairs web page [https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/index.html]. Students may also contact the institution’s Title IX Coordinator. If you would like to read more about these requirements and guidelines online, please visit the website [http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/pregnancy.pdf].

Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972 prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex and gender—including pregnancy, parenting, and all related conditions. A&M-Central Texas is able to provide flexible and individualized reasonable accommodation to pregnant and parenting students. All pregnant and parenting students should contact the Associate Dean in the Division of Student Affairs at (254) 501-5909 to seek out assistance. Students may also contact the University’s Title IX Coordinator.

Tutoring
Tutoring is available to all A&M-Central Texas students, both on-campus and online. Subjects tutored on campus include Accounting, Advanced Math, Biology, Finance, Statistics, Mathematics, and Study Skills. Tutors are available at the Tutoring Center in Warrior Hall, Suite 111.
If you have a question regarding tutor schedules, need to schedule a tutoring session, are interested in becoming a tutor, or have any other question, contact Academic Support Programs at (254) 519-5796, or by emailing Dr. DeEadra Albert-Green at deeadra.albertgreen@tamuct.edu.

Chat live with a tutor 24/7 for almost any subject on your computer! Tutor.com is an online tutoring platform that enables TAMUCT students to log-in and receive FREE online tutoring and writing support. This tool provides tutoring in Mathematics, Chemistry, Physics, Biology, Spanish, Calculus, and Statistics. To access Tutor.com, click on Academic Support https://www.tamuct.edu/departments/academicsupport/tutoring.php

The University Writing Center

Located in Warrior Hall 416, the University Writing Center (UWC) at Texas A&M University–Central Texas (TAMUCT) is a free workspace open to all TAMUCT students from 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday thru Thursday with satellite hours in the University Library Monday thru Thursday from 6:00-9:00 p.m. This semester, the UWC is also offering online only hours from 12:00-3:00 p.m. on Saturdays.

Students may arrange a one-on-one session with a trained and experienced writing tutor by visiting the UWC during normal operating hours (both half-hour and hour sessions are available) or by making an appointment via WCOnline at [https://tamuct.mywconline.com/]. In addition, you can email Dr. Bruce Bowles Jr. at bruce.bowles@tamuct.edu for any assistance needed with scheduling.

Tutors are prepared to help writers of all levels and abilities at any stage of the writing process. While tutors will not write, edit, or grade papers, they will assist students in developing more effective composing practices. By providing a practice audience for students’ ideas and writing, our tutors highlight the ways in which they read and interpret students’ texts, offering guidance and support throughout the various stages of the writing process. In addition, students may work independently in the UWC by checking out a laptop that runs the Microsoft Office suite and connects to WIFI, or by consulting our resources on writing, including all of the relevant style guides. Whether you need help brainstorming ideas, organizing an essay, proofreading, understanding proper citation practices, or just want a quiet place to work, the UWC is here to help!

If you have any questions about the UWC, please do not hesitate to contact Dr. Bruce Bowles Jr. at bruce.bowles@tamuct.edu.

University Library

The University Library provides many services in support of research across campus and at a distance. We offer over 200 electronic databases containing approximately 250,000 eBooks and 82,000 journals, in addition to the 72,000 items in our print collection, which can be mailed to students who live more than 50 miles from campus. Research guides for each subject taught at TAMUCT are available through our website to help students navigate these resources.
On-campus, the library offers technology including cameras, laptops, microphones, webcams, and digital sound recorders.

Research assistance from a librarian is also available twenty-four hours a day through our online chat service, and at the reference desk when the library is open. Research sessions can be scheduled for more comprehensive assistance, and may take place on Skype or in-person at the library. Assistance may cover many topics, including how to find articles in peer-reviewed journals, how to cite resources, and how to piece together research for written assignments.

Our 27,000-square-foot facility on the TAMUCT main campus includes student lounges, private study rooms, group work spaces, computer labs, family areas suitable for all ages, and many other features. Services such as interlibrary loan, TexShare, binding, and laminating are available. The library frequently offers workshops, tours, readings, and other events. For more information, please visit our Library website [http://tamuct.libguides.com/index].

The Operation of the Online Course and Being an Online Student

Online learning requires students to be very self-disciplined. For this course, Monday will be considered the class day. Assignments, discussion assignments, and quizzes will be posted on or before each Friday, and will be due by midnight (2400) the following week. Ten points will be taken off for each day for late submissions and will not be accepted after three days.

Since this is a three semester credit hour course, expect to spend at least three hours a week on your computer and reading. Study time and time for assignment completion will be in addition to that time. The course should be accessed on Canvas at least 3-4 times a week.

Quizzes for this course are used as “learnings” more than testing knowledge. You will have an unlimited amount of time to complete, but only one attempt. So, plan ahead, complete the readings first, and set aside time to complete the quiz.

Be sure to submit assignments, discussions, or any other types of assignments in them correct place from the menu bar on your left.

A Note about Sexual Violence at A&M-Central Texas

Sexual violence is a serious safety, social justice, and public health issue. The university offers support for anyone struggling with these issues. University faculty are mandated reporters, so if someone discloses that they were sexually assaulted (or a victim of Domestic/Dating Violence or Stalking) while a student at TAMUCT, faculty members are required to inform the Title IX Office. If you want to discuss any of these issues confidentially, you can do so through Student Counseling (254-501-5955) located on the second floor of Warrior Hall (207L).

Sexual violence can occur on our campus because predators often feel emboldened, and victims often feel silenced or shamed. It is incumbent on ALL of us to find ways to actively create environments that tell predators we don’t agree with their behaviors and tell survivors we will support them. Your actions matter. Don’t be a bystander; be an agent of change. For
additional information on campus policy and resources visit the [Title IX webpage](https://www.tamuct.edu/departments/compliance/titleix.php).

**Instructor’s Personal Statement**

I welcome you to the program with this first introductory course, and applaud you for taking the next step in your career. I am here to facilitate your learning, so do not hesitate to email for assistance klong@tamuct.edu

I have been working with various universities for RN to BSN education and I’m very excited to have true Nursing Warriors here at A&M-Central Texas.

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