

Accelerated BSN Course Descriptions

Course Number	Course Title/Credits	Course Description
NAC344	Fundamentals of Nursing and Health Assessment 6 credits (3/3) Lecture 4 hours/week Lab 12 hours/week 12 weeks	Fundamentals of Nursing and Health Assessment provides students with the foundational concepts needed for all aspects of nursing. Theory and laboratory practice will be utilized. The CSJP of Dignity of the Human Person and The Call to Family and Community are introduced.
NAC346	Accelerated Pathopharmacology I 4 credits Lecture 4 hours/week 16 weeks	Accelerated Pathopharmacology I builds upon previous learning in anatomy, physiology, chemistry, and microbiology to introduce the student to various disease processes and medications. Emphasis will be on the role of the nurse in creating a safe patient environment and the patient's response to disease and drug therapy. The CSJP of Rights and Responsibilities is introduced.
NAC348	Nursing as a Profession 3 credits Lecture 3 hours/week 16 weeks Hybrid	Nursing as a Profession examines the history of nursing and nursing theories. The Nursing Practice Act and ANA Scope and Standards are introduced. Principles of professional communication are introduced and developed. The concept of professional development as a nurse is explored. APA is introduced as students begin to demonstrate professional writing. Introduction to two CSJP, The Dignity of Work and Solidarity occurs in this course.
NAC352	Adult Practicum I 4 credits Clinical 38.4 hours/week 5 weeks	Adult Practicum I builds on concepts, principles, and skills of beginning professional nursing practice. Students provide care to adults demonstrating skills learned in N344. The course prepares students to apply basic critical thinking skills when examining individual responses to health problems of a medical-surgical nature. This course allows students to begin to develop their professional demeanor in the clinical setting. The Christian Social Justice Principles of Option of the Poor and Vulnerable and Care for God's Creation are introduced.
P342	Catholic Principle of Health Care Ethics 4 credits Lecture 4 hours/week 16 weeks Online	Catholic Principles of Health Care Ethics guides the student in developing a basis for making bioethical decisions from a Judeo-Christian system. The essential beliefs and structures of the Catholic faith are surveyed. The student is introduced to the ethical decision-making process and this process is utilized in topics pertaining to Christian, nursing and medical ethics. The Catholic Social Justice Principles of Solidarity and Care for God's Creation in nursing practice is incorporated into the course.

NAC356	Accelerated Pathopharmacology II 4 credits Lecture 6.5 hours/week 10 weeks	Accelerated Pathopharmacology II builds on Accelerated Pathopharmacology I. Accelerated Pathopharmacology II provides the student with the opportunity to examine different systems of the body, disease, and its relationship to pharmacological interventions. Emphasis on pharmacology and pathophysiology of selected systems and health alterations. Using the nursing process, examine health deviations of the body and mind and their impact on human functioning, drug actions, and interactions in the body. Emphasis on the role of the nurse in creating a safe patient environment and the patient's response to disease and drug therapy. The Christian Social Justice Principle of Rights and Responsibilities as related to this course is reinforced.
NAC358	Concepts of Chronic and Acute Adult Health 6 credits Lecture 9.6 hours/week 10 weeks	Concepts of Chronic and Acute Adult Health focuses on nursing care management of adult patients experiencing select acute and chronic problems. The Christian Social Justice Principles of Caring for the Poor and Vulnerable and The Dignity of Work are examined.
NAC359	Adult Practicum II 4 credits Clinical 24 hours/week 6 weeks	Adult Practicum II focuses on implementing care in the management of adult patients experiencing acute and chronic problems. The Christian Social Justice Principles of Caring for the Poor and Vulnerable and The Dignity of Work are examined.
NAC362	Concepts of Maternal-Child Health 4 credits Lecture 8 hours/week 8 weeks	Concepts of Maternal-Child Health focuses on assessment and planning for care of the childbearing and childrearing family. The Christian Social Justice Principle of The Call to Family and Community is reinforced.
NAC363	Maternal-Child Health Practicum 3 credits Clinical 36 hours/week 4 weeks	Maternal-Child Health Practicum focuses on implementing and evaluating care provided to the childbearing and childrearing family. The Christian Social Justice Principle of The Call to Family and Community is demonstrated.

<p>NAC432</p>	<p>Concepts of Community and Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing 5 credits Lecture 10 hours/week 8 weeks</p>	<p>Concepts of Community and Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing analyzes the scope of biopsychosocial factors which influence the health of individuals, families, and aggregates within communities. Emphasis is placed upon the integration of primary, secondary, and tertiary prevention. Nursing concepts, therapeutic communication skills, and elements of group process are integrated into theory. Social determinants of health are discussed. The Catholic Social Justice Principles of The Dignity of the Human Person and Option for the Poor and Vulnerable are reinforced.</p>
<p>NAC433</p>	<p>Concepts of Community and Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing Practicum 4 credits Clinical 24 hours/week 8 weeks</p>	<p>Concepts of Community and Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing Practicum focuses on providing care in diverse community and psychiatric mental health settings. Social determinants of health are addressed as they relate to patients and populations. The Catholic Social Justice Principles of The Dignity of the Human Person and Option for the Poor and Vulnerable are evaluated.</p>
<p>NAC436</p>	<p>Introduction to Evidence-Based Practice 3 credits Lecture 6 hours/week 8 weeks Hybrid</p>	<p>Evidence-Based Practice emphasizes the role and elements of evidence based practice (EBP) in professional nursing practice. The focus is on the cyclical process of identifying clinical questions, searching and appraising the evidence, and implementing practice changes. Clinical questions are examined and the EBP process is carried out within the context of the course. The Catholic Social Justice Principles of Care for God’s Creation and Rights and Responsibilities are reinforced and evaluated.</p>
<p>NAC440</p>	<p>Leadership in Nursing and Healthcare 4 credits Lecture 6 hours/week 8 weeks Online</p>	<p>Leadership in Nursing and Healthcare focuses on the role of a nurse who leads and manages across the healthcare continuum. The healthcare delivery system is analyzed and discussed. The Catholic Social Justice Principles of The Dignity of Work is evaluated and Solidarity is reinforced and evaluated.</p>
<p>NAC444</p>	<p>Clinical Immersion 4 credits Clinical 192 hours 8 weeks</p>	<p>Clinical Immersion allows the student to prepare for an entry into practice role through providing direct patient care in an area of their choice. Students work with a preceptor to utilize the nursing process, delegate, and improve their time management and clinical judgement skills. The Catholic Social Justice Principle of Rights and Responsibilities is evaluated.</p>
<p>NAC446</p>	<p>NCLEX Prep Course 2 credits Lecture 4 hours/week 8 weeks</p>	<p>NCLEX Prep Course prepares the student to successfully pass the NCLEX-RN® national examination on the first attempt. The NCSBN Clinical Judgment Measurement Model is the basis for all activities within the course.</p>