

# HNR 221 - ACUTE CARE NURSING I

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## Course Description

Presentation of nursing interventions and concepts required for adult patients with complex medical-surgical disorders. Emphasizes advanced assessment, analysis, nursing judgment, and nursing accountability. The focus is on adult patients with multiple complex requirements. Geriatric considerations are presented and integrated throughout. Group 2 course.

## Credit Hours

1.5

## Contact Hours

1.5

## Lecture Hours

1.5

## Required Prerequisites

HNR 251 with 2.5 or higher, HNR 252 with an S

## Corequisites

HNR 241, HNR 242

## Course Learning Outcomes

### Knowledge:

- Articulates safe pharmacological and nursing care for patients with complex medical-surgical disorders.

### Application:

- Demonstrates an understanding of evidence-based practice guidelines for complex medical-surgical disorders.

### Integration:

- Evaluates pathophysiologic deviations inherent in complex medical-surgical disorders including special concerns of the geriatric population.
- Applies nursing interventions that embrace standards for nursing practice, established policies and procedures, and/or legal and ethical parameters.

### Human Dimension:

- Evaluates communication techniques for effective interaction with patients, families and other health team members.

### Caring - Civic Learning:

- Appraises family needs and interventions to provide holistic care, from admission through discharge planning.

### Learning How to Learn:

- Interprets course content utilizing strategies to prepare for standardized comprehensive testing.