Advanced Practice Roles

Course Description

This course provides students the knowledge of Advance Practice Nursing roles in the United States and internationally. It includes a history of nurse practitioner role development, ongoing topics relevant to APN nursing, and issues related to health promotion and prevention worldwide. Students will analyze competencies, rules and APN regulation, professional responsibilities, and health policy as it relates to APN practice.

Credit hours

2 hours

Course objectives

At the completion of this course, students will:

1. Explain the historical development of the APN role worldwide.
2. Assemble concepts and principles of the arts, sciences, humanities, and nursing in order to utilize evidence based advanced practice nursing decisions within the APN’s scope of practice.
3. Differentiate among the roles and competencies of various APN specialties.
4. Investigate the role of the APN in health promotion and prevention issues.
5. Examine implications of reimbursement and cost on APNs and clients.
6. Evaluate responsibility and accountability using consistent behavior patterns and professional communication.
7. Assess the role of the APN in collaboration with the interdisciplinary healthcare team respecting holistic, socio-economic, spiritual, and ethno-culturally diverse characteristics of clients.

Topics 2 hours each including assignments for 2 hours each also

1. History of the role development of the APN.
2. Competencies of the APN.
3. Scope of Practice of the APN.
4. BNE rules.
5. Economic factors influencing the APN.
6. Prescriptive authority.
7. NP roles.
8. Credentialing and titling issues.
9. Professional responsibilities.

Assignments

1. Membership of national organization
2. Membership of international organization.
3. Presentation on role of APN.
4. Role paper.
5. Discussion board.