

**Division of Science and Health  
Vocational Nursing**

**Course Name:** VNSG 1334 Pediatrics

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Semester:** Fall 2011

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**Course Description:**

Study of childhood diseases and childcare from infancy through adolescence. Focus on the care of the well and the ill child utilizing the nursing process. The course also provides knowledge of growth and development as it applies to the life span through adolescence. The psychological and socio-cultural needs of children are addressed in both the clinical and community setting.

**Statement of Purpose**

VNSG 1334-Pediatrics partially satisfies the requirement for the vocational nursing certificate at Clarendon College.

**Required Instructional Materials:**

**Textbook:** Leifer, Gloria, MA, RN. Introduction to Maternity and Pediatric Nursing (5<sup>th</sup> ed.); St Louis, MO, Saunders.  
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**Other Relevant Materials:** writing paper, pens, pencils, highlighters, etc. for note taking.

**Student Requirements**

The learner shall:

- Identify safety principles related to various stages of development, (Scan C7, F234589 11 12 14 15 17
- Identify common childhood illness (Scan C7, F1,2,5,6,and12).
- Utilize the nursing process to assist in planning care of the well or ill child (Scan C7,F7,8,9,and 12).
- Identify the developmental theories and apply them to nursing process (Scan C7, F7,8,9,10 and 12).
- Identify the normal vital signs of infant and children at various ages (Scan C7, F7, 8,9,10, 11 and 12).
- Provider of Care:

1. Assist in determining the health status a health needs of clients based on interpretation of health related data and preventative health practices, in collaboration with the clients, their families, and other members of the immediate health care team. Knowledge: A, B, D; Clinical Behavior: E

2. Assist in the formulation of goals/outcomes and a plan of care in collaboration with the client, their families, and interdisciplinary team members. Knowledge: A, C, D;
3. Implement plan of care within legal and ethical parameters, including scope of education, in collaboration with the client and interdisciplinary healthcare team to assist client in meeting health care needs. Knowledge: A, D, G, I, J
4. Implement teaching plan for client with common health problems and well defined learning needs. Knowledge: A
5. Provide direct basic care to assigned multiple clients in structured settings. Knowledge: B, C
6. Use the Problem solving approach as the basis for decision making in practice. Knowledge: A, B

Coordinator of Care

1. Assist in the coordination of human and material resources for the provision of care for assigned clients. Knowledge: B, D
2. Participate in the identification of client needs for referral to resources that facilitate continuity of care. Knowledge: A, B

Member of a Profession

1. Participate as an advocate in activities that focus on improving the health care of clients. Knowledge: A, D
2. Demonstrate behaviors that promote the development and practice of vocational nursing. Knowledge: D

### **Methods of Instruction**

Lecture

Discussion

Audio-Visual Aids

Written Assignments

### **Course Objectives**

As a result of passing this course you should be able to:

- Understand the function and role of a Licensed Vocational Nurse in the health care delivery system
  - Participate in the nursing process under the guidance of a Registered Nurse or Physician
  - Participate in health teaching under guidance of the R.N. or M.D. within the scope of his/her preparation
- Demonstrate knowledge of first aid or emergency principles in selected area situations

### **Grading Policies:**

Exams 50%

Final Exam 25%

Quizzes 15%

Homework 10%

A 100 – 93

B 92 – 86

C 85 – 76

Less than 76 is not passing

## **Grades and Evaluation**

Beginning with the 5th major exam in all nursing courses, students' must achieve a major exam grade average of 76. The average of 76 must be maintained throughout the remainder of the course. If at any time the students' major exam grade average drops below 76, the student is required to immediately withdraw from all nursing courses and will not continue in the program. Please note this average is

strictly a major exam grade average and daily grades, etc. will not be included. *Students must achieve a grade of 76 to pass all courses in the vocational nursing program.*

**\*\*NOTE: GRADES WILL NOT BE ROUNDED.** (Example: A grade of 75.5 to 75.99 will not be considered as passing)

**No late assignments will be accepted!!** All homework assignments are to be handed in to the instructor at the **Beginning** of class on the date that the assignment is due.

Exams will be given on designated day. Make up exams will be given at the discretion of the instructor. A student's final grade will be made available through Campus Connect at Clarendon College's website.

**Classroom Policies:**

Failure to comply with lawful direction of a classroom instructor is a disruption for all students enrolled in the class. Cheating violations include, but are not limited to: (1) obtaining an examination, classroom activity, or laboratory exercise by stealing or collusion; (2) discovering the content of an examination, classroom activity, laboratory exercise, or homework assignment before it is given; (3) using an unauthorized source of information during an examination, classroom activity, laboratory exercise, or homework assignment; (4) entering an office or building to obtain unfair advantage; (5) taking an examination for another person; (6) completing a classroom activity, laboratory exercise, homework assignment, or research paper for another person; (7) altering grade records; (8) using any unauthorized form of electronic communication device during an examination, classroom activity, or laboratory exercise; (9) Plagiarism. Plagiarism is the using, stating, offering, or reporting as one's own, an idea, expression, or production of another person without proper credit; (10) Students are required to dress in a manner as deemed appropriate for the classroom setting and should not disrupt the learning process.

Disciplinary actions for cheating in a course are at the discretion of the individual instructor. The instructor of that course will file a report with the Dean of Students when a student is caught cheating in the course, whether it be a workforce or academic course. The report shall include the course, instructor, student's name, and the type of cheating involved. Students who are reported as cheating to the Dean of Students more than once shall be disciplined by the Dean. The Dean will notify all involved parties within fourteen days of any action taken.

**American with Disabilities Act Statement:**

Clarendon College provides reasonable accommodations for persons with temporary or permanent disabilities. Should you require special accommodations, notify the Office of Student Services (806-874-3571 or 800-687- 9737). We will work with you to make whatever accommodations we need to make.

**Withdrawal:** If you decide that you are unable to complete this course or that it will be impossible to complete the course with a passing grade, you may drop the course and receive a "W" on your transcript instead. Withdrawal from a course is a formal procedure that you must initiate. If you do not go through the formal withdrawal procedure, you will receive a grade of "F" on your transcript.

A student is permitted to drop a course if he/she obtains an official drop slip from the office and has the instructor sign the slip before the 12<sup>th</sup> class week.

Remember, a student is only allowed to drop the same class twice before he/she will be charged triple the tuition amount for taking the class a third time or more. Furthermore, beginning with the Fall 2007 semester, students in Texas may only drop a total of 6 courses throughout their entire undergraduate career. After the 6<sup>th</sup> withdrawal, he/she will no longer be able to withdraw from any classes.

**Attendance, Cell Phone Policy, Classroom Etiquette, and Academic Honesty:** See Vocational Nursing Handbook for policies.

A schedule will be provided on the first day of class and revised as needed