COURSE DESCRIPTION: Introduces concepts and theories of nursing. (3 credits; Prerequisite is admission to BSN program)

SCENARIO: Students are to write a five to seven page paper on an assigned concept analyzing its meaning and relevance to nursing, using a review of current nursing and non-nursing literature. The paper should be in APA style with a References page that contains at least three sources. The students will post the paper’s abstract on the course discussion board. Before the paper is due, students will complete the 6-module self-paced Library Information Literacy Tutorial (LILT), the “Plagiarism: The Crime of Intellectual Kidnapping” tutorial, and attend an instruction session with a librarian who models searches in library databases.

LEARNING OUTCOMES for NURS 2010 - Concepts of Professional Nursing

- After completing the LILT modules, the plagiarism tutorial, and attending the class meeting with a librarian [c], a student in NURS 2010 [a] demonstrates his/her ability to understand the nature and extent of an information need by distinguishing between a nursing-specific database (CINAHL), and a general knowledge database (Academic Search Premier) [b], using at least one article from each [d] for the “Conceptual Analysis” paper.

- After completing the LILT modules, the plagiarism tutorial, and attending the class meeting with a librarian [c], a student in NURS 2010 [a] demonstrates his/her ability to evaluate information and sources critically and incorporate selected information into his/her knowledge base and value system by participating in a class-sponsored discussion board on the topics covered in the “Conceptual Analysis” paper.

- After completing the LILT modules, the plagiarism tutorial, and attending the class meeting with a librarian [c], a student in NURS 2010 [a] demonstrates his/her ability to use information ethically and legally by properly incorporating at least one [d] direct quotation [b] in the “Conceptual Analysis” paper, avoiding plagiarism.

POSSIBLE ASSESSMENTS

- LILT Quiz Results
- How to Avoid Plagiarism Quiz Results
- Bibliography