Level Objectives

The nursing curriculum is based on two levels of objectives. Students in the nursing program are guided through a logical progression of simple to complex. Level one is the application level, while level two incorporates application, analysis, and synthesis. All objectives for nursing courses are written at the comprehensive and application level.

Level I Objectives

At completion of Level I, the associate degree nursing student will be able to:

- 1. Demonstrate competency in performing basic nursing skills for individuals with common health alterations.
- 2. Utilize foundational knowledge of the communication process in providing nursing care for clients across the lifespan.
- 3. Apply foundational knowledge of the nursing process in providing nursing care for clients across the lifespan.
- 4. Utilize critical thinking skills in formulating a plan of care for clients with common health alterations in a variety of settings.
- 5. Illustrate a teaching/learning plan for culturally diverse clients with common health alterations in a variety of settings.
- 6. Develop competencies necessary to meet the needs of individuals throughout the lifespan in a safe, legal, and ethical manner using the nursing process.
- 7. Utilize relevant technology for client care and documentation.
- 8. Demonstrate professional behaviors associated with nursing.

Level II Objectives

At completion of Level II, the associate degree nursing graduate will be able to:

- 1. Demonstrate proficiency in performing advanced nursing skills for individuals with health alterations in a variety of settings.
- 2. Apply therapeutic communication techniques in providing advanced nursing care for clients throughout the lifespan.
- 3. Apply foundational knowledge of the nursing process in providing advanced nursing care for clients throughout the lifespan.
- 4. Utilize critical thinking skills in providing collaborative care for clients with selected health alterations in a variety of settings.
- 5. Formulate a teaching/learning plan for culturally diverse clients with selected health alterations in a variety of settings.
- 6. Demonstrate competencies necessary to meet the needs of individuals throughout the lifespan in a safe, legal, and ethical manner using the nursing process.
- 7. Examine relevant technology for client care and documentation.
- 8. Demonstrate professional behaviors and roles of a registered nurse upon entry into practice.

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