NUR 105 Pharmacology for Nurses
Syllabus Addendum
Health Sciences Division
Academic Term – Spring 2013

COMPUTER REQUIREMENTS. To ensure successful completion of an online course, a student should have an appropriately equipped computer. Use guidelines included on the TCL website.

USER RESPONSIBILITY ON USE AND DUPLICATION OF COMPUTER SOFTWARE (TCL PROCEDURE 7-1-702.5). Students are responsible for the legal use of computer software and applicable copyright laws and are prohibited from copying software on College computers and from installing personal software.

COURSE TOPIC OUTLINE/PURPOSE. See course website for detailed outline.
1. Dosage Calculations
2. Administration of oral medications
3. Parenteral administration
4. Topical, transdermal, and mucosal administration
5. Pharmacodynamics and pharmacokinetics
6. Scheduled drugs and pregnancy risk
7. Legal and ethical issues
8. Overview of drug classifications and actions

COURSE POLICIES/PROCEDURES
1. It is clearly to the advantage of the student to participate regularly in online learning. Test materials are weighted heavily in favor of didactic materials.
2. All cell phones and pagers must be turned off during class (lecture and laboratory periods).
4. Instructors will excuse a student from class who disrupts the class or lab.
5. No course grades are posted in public areas. Grades are available through WebAdvisor. The student must go to the college’s website [www.tcl.edu](http://www.tcl.edu) Select current student then select TCL WebAdvisor and find: (1) the directions and a demonstration on how to log in to WebAdvisor, and (2) how to access grades. For questions, contact the TCL Help Desk at 525-8344.
COMMUNICATION
Instructors will generally respond to voice mail messages and e-mail messages as soon as possible. If there is a problem, the student should remember that a face-to-face meeting with the instructor is best. Student should contact instructor to make an appointment.

Students
1. Contact information for instructors is listed in the course syllabus.
2. The student is responsible for making sure that the instructor and College have his/her current contact information, including telephone number(s) and e-mail address.
3. All students are expected to establish a TCL email account. The student is responsible for checking the TCL email account daily.
4. The student is responsible for checking the course Blackboard site regularly (at least twice a week).

Voice Messages
1. Instructors' telephone numbers and the Division Administrative Assistant's telephone number are listed on the course syllabus.
2. When leaving a voice mail message for the instructor, speak slowly and clearly. He/she should leave accurate information including accurate telephone number(s) where he/she may be reached. It is helpful to repeat the telephone number at the very end of the voice message.
3. The Division Administrative Assistant is available on class days from 8:00-4:30 pm. A message left with the Administrative Assistant will be received by the instructor when he/she checks the mailbox. The most efficient way to get a voice mail message to an instructor is to leave a voicemail at the instructor’s contact number.

E-mail Messages
1. The instructor's e-mail address is listed on the course syllabus.
2. When e-mailing the instructor, the student should identify herself/himself in the body of the message. Identifying information should include name and student ID #, course and section in which the student is enrolled, and a telephone number where he/she may be reached. With the tools provided by the browser, it might be helpful to create a "signature" with this information for all e-mails.

COURSE STANDARDS, EVALUATION, METHODS/Criteria, GRADING POLICY
Refer to additional information in the course syllabus.
Students must achieve satisfactory (S) in the laboratory component of the course in order to pass the course. “S” or “U” (unsatisfactory) is assigned for each laboratory session. Refer to the Laboratory Skills List for specific criteria.

Skills checklist should be complete. Incomplete checklist results in a grade of “U” (unsatisfactory) for the laboratory component of the course. An unsatisfactory in the laboratory portion of the course results in the failure of the course even if the theory grade is 75 or higher.

Students are expected to perform accurate return demonstrations of skills before using the skill in the clinical area in NUR 134. As each skill is learned, it becomes part of the clinical component of NUR 134 Beginning Nursing Skills. Failing performance in NUR 105 skill demonstrations results in “unsatisfactory” in meeting the clinical outcomes for NUR 134.
Grades are posted on Blackboard within one week of administration of tests and examinations.

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### Instructional Methods

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### ADDITIONAL COURSE POLICIES/PROCEDURES

**Course Structure.** Classes are designed to employ a variety of teaching/learning strategies. In order to maximize learning, required readings should be done prior to a unit. If a student is falling behind in academic achievement, it is imperative to seek immediate assistance from the instructors.

Online students are expected to attend on-campus activities as announced.

**Assessment Testing.** No required achievement tests are scheduled in this course. Optional achievement and practice tests may be taken at the student’s discretion or instructor’s recommendation. The optional test for this course is *RN Pharmacology 1.0: Online Practice*, available through ATI Testing. Information on how to access this program is available at the course website. Assessment ID# _______________________.

**Nursing Lab.** All labs start on time. No provisions are made for students who are late to lab; being late to lab earns a score of unsatisfactory.

### Other Required Materials

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<th>Stethoscope</th>
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<td>Watch with second hand</td>
<td>Lab pack – <em>Do not open until directed to do so.</em></td>
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<td>TCL student nurse name pin – <em>wear to all labs</em></td>
<td>Simple calculator <em>without advanced functions or memory</em></td>
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### EXPECTATIONS FOR STUDENT FOR FULFILLMENT OF COURSE REQUIREMENTS.

See course syllabus and website.