



Global Semesters

Course Syllabus

Course: HS-215A Management of Care

Department: Life & Health Sciences

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus

Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
HS-215A	Management of Care	3
Subject	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Health Sciences	42-45	Health Major
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Life & Health Sciences	Lower-Division	English

Course Description

The course aims to cover the organisational and financial structure of the health care provision in Cyprus and the EU and to identify the role of politics in the development of health legislation and state welfare implementation provision. It also aims to explore how the various health systems within Cyprus and other EU and Non-EU countries are funded and functioned. It will also address the relationships between the various health professionals and how these affect the efficiency of the countries health system and structure. The course explores further the developing role of the health care practitioners within the health care system and emphasises the importance of critical thinking in the management of patient in health care settings.

Prerequisites (if applicable)

Health Major

Aim

This course will enable students to understand the holistic approach to health (individual-family-groups-community) to look at factors that mitigate against health, how people perceive and conceptualize health; and how health is promoted in a range of settings and contexts, including Primary Health Care (government and wider social policies, ethics and law). It Also explores the nurses and other health practitioners roles/responsibilities within the health system and their contemporary role in society.

Teaching & Learning Methods

- Personal tutorials
- Lectures/discussions
- Skills sessions (caring skills)
- Seminars/small groups

- Practice based teaching in simulated settings
- Visits to various Health Care settings
- Lecturer contact
- Peer discussions
- Practice experiences
- Personal tutorials
- Student directed study

Instructor Information

Dr. Savoula Ghobrial is a professional, highly motivated and accomplished university lecturer with a successful career providing high quality education, leadership, guidance and support to students. Outstanding interpersonal skills, an expert presenter, facilitator and listener, acknowledged for being approachable, flexible and understanding with an excellent track record for easily building solid relationships with students and colleagues, based on integrity and trust and excellent knowledge of subject areas.

Dr. Ghobrial's areas of interest include cultural, ethical and professional issues related to nursing and patient care. Other areas of interest include curricula development and all aspect of acute and critical patient care and Health Education/Health Promotion.

Learning Outcomes

By the end of the course the student will:

- Be able to explore the key influences on the development of contemporary health organisation.
- Be able to link current topical issue in health care to the historical development of the health care professions.
- Identify the main policy issues in Cyprus since the 1960s
- Discuss possible future directions and likely obstacles for health care organization.
- Explain the concept of accountability from a personal, professional and legal perspective
- Understand the legal framework for management of care
- Identify the concept of respect for others.

Course Outline

Topic Areas Covered

CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN HEALTH CARE DELIVERY:

- Evolution in Health care delivery
- Health Care Delivery Systems in Cyprus
- The changing role of the Health care professionals, in society and education
- Legal aspects of Health care
- Nursing accountability vs. Medical responsibility

ORGANISATIONAL ISSUES IN CARE DELIVERY:

- Approaches to the measurement of health
- Access to medical epidemiology, demographic and social indicator data within a given population
- Link of research and theory and care delivery
- Attributes of culture and how these impact upon individual behaviours and beliefs.
- The importance of research for practice development.

Tasks and Assignments

Conferencing Topics

During the 1hour conferencing the students will be discussing the fundamental knowledge and skills they must develop, with reference to specific examples and as to how this knowledge is applied to practice setting.

- Identify how information on data bases relating to health and the health system can be used to network with other professionals
- Developing of research awareness
- Identify the biological, psychological and social factors which influence health, health choices and the delivery of care
- The rights and duties of the individuals in relation to promoting personal health and complying with prescribed treatment.
- Explain the various health professional role in relation to health care, demonstrating an awareness of the strengths and limitations of those roles in relation to health care

Course Assignment: Students are required to write a 2,000 word essay. Topic will be given by course lecturers on commencement of the course

Site Visits

- Visit various Private sector hospitals/clinics
- Visit Public General Hospitals in Nicosia/Limassol or Larnaca
- Visit the Makareio Public Hospital for Women and Children
- Visit the Institute of Neurology and Genetics

Readings and Resources

Recommended Reading

Dimond, B. (2010) Legal Aspects of Nursing. 3rd ed. London: Prentice-Hall

Dubos, R. (1995) 'Mirage of Health'. IN: Davey, B., Gray, A. and Seale, C. (eds.) Health and Disease: a Reader. 2nd ed. Milton Keynes: Open University Press

Commers, M. J. (2002) Determinants of Health: Theory, Understanding, Portrayal, Policy, Kluwer Academic Publishers

Materials and Supplies

No additional materials or supplies are required for this course.