

California State University, Bakersfield
Department of Nursing

NURSING 367
Nursing Focused Research

Course Syllabus

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CREDITS: Three (3) hours lecture/discussion/self-study (3 50-minute hours)

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

An introduction to qualitative and quantitative nursing focused research. Expansion of research knowledge applied to nursing studies with an emphasis on critique.

PRE-REQUISITES & CO-REQUISITES:

Pre-requisites: NURS 353, NURS 354, NURS 355, NURS 356

Co-requisites: NURS 352, NURS 461, NURS 462

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

Upon successful completion of N 367, the student will:

1. State a nursing problem in a researchable form.
2. Identify components of the research process for qualitative and quantitative studies.
3. Analyze the interrelatedness of steps in the research process.
4. Critique completed nursing research for clinical applicability.
5. Describe legal and ethical considerations and issues of confidentiality in conducting nursing research.
6. Demonstrate an awareness of the value of research as an essential element of nursing science.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS (EXAMPLES):

Nieswiadomy, R. (2008). *Foundations of nursing research* (5th ed.). Upper Saddle River, N.J.: Pearson-Prentice Hall.

American Psychological Association. (most current ed.). *Publication manual of the American Psychological Association* (5th ed.). Washington D.C.: Author.

EVALUATION METHODS/ASSIGNMENTS:

Test #1	20% of total score
Test #2	20% of total score

Test #3	20% of total score
Critique #1	20% of total score
Critique #2	20% of total score

Letter grade will be based on the following:

A	=	93-100	C	=	73-76
A-	=	90-92	C-	=	70-72
B+	=	87-89	D+	=	67-69
B	=	83-86	D	=	63-66
B-	=	80-82	D-	=	60-62
C+	=	77-79	F	=	59 & below

Grading: Final grade will consist of the total score. Totals will **NOT** be rounded up for a "C".

Services for Students with Disabilities: To request academic accommodations due to a disability, please contact the Office of Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) as soon as possible. Their office is located in SA 140, and they may be reached at 661-654-3360 (voice), or 661-654-6288 (TDD). If you have an accommodations letter from the SSD Office documenting that you have a disability, please present the letter to the professor during office hours as soon as possible so that the specific accommodations that you might need in this class may be arranged

Academic Honesty: California State University, Bakersfield has a strict policy on academic honesty (cheating). Cheating on tests, quizzes or assignments. The Honor Commitment signed by all nursing students also requires the reporting of unethical behaviors, including cheating.

Plagiarism: All work must be original work written for this course by the individual submitting it. All students are expected to read and adhere to the CSUB Academic Honesty policies outlined in the **most current** edition University Catalog, the Nursing Department Policies, and the Undergraduate Nursing Student Policy Handbook. It is the student's responsibility to know the most current, relevant policies and the ramifications thereof when these policies are not adhered to. *Review these pages carefully.*

The penalty for cheating or plagiarism is an "F" in the course for the first offense. This policy will be enforced. Ignorance will not be accepted as an excuse.

Program Progression: According to CSUB Department of Nursing Policy, a grade of "C" is the minimal grade acceptable for progression into subsequent nursing courses. Students who fail to achieve at least a "C" in a nursing course may request reentry into the program (based on seat availability) to repeat the course one time. Students who have previously failed a nursing course will be ineligible to remain in the nursing program if any subsequent nursing course (repeat of same course OR different course) is failed.