



Department of Nursing

SPRING SEMESTER: CURRICULUM FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Students may be enrolled in 15 credits, equivalent to 30 Norwegian ECTS.

Credit transfer needs to be arranged and confirmed with the student's home institution.

One semester = 14 weeks. Theory courses: 1 credit = 1 contact hour. Clinical Hours: 1 credit = 42 clinical hours.

Course	Description	Credit Hours	ECTS Credits	Theory Hours	Clinical Hours
NURS 315 Health Assessment for International Students	The course focuses on health assessment in the adult patient. Content areas include health and risk assessments to inform health planning for individuals and groups across health care settings. Health patterns of individuals and groups are examined in relation to definitions of health, cultural perspectives, and quality of life issues. Normative data and individual and group trends are used to inform health planning. Standards of quality and safety relative to health assessment are emphasized. Clinical learning includes skills lab, simulation, and patient care experiences focused on application of knowledge, skills, and attitudes from nursing in the care of adults and families.	2	4	14	86
NURS 406 Nursing & Health Care in the United States	This course focuses on supporting international student nurses through an orientation to and reflection on their immersion experiences as a student nurse in the US healthcare system, Sioux Falls, and the Augustana community. Emphasis is placed on orientation to US nursing scope of practice and standards; cultural awareness while caring for individuals and families experiencing varying degrees of wellness and illness; analysis and reflection on student nurse experiences in the US and Norway; integration of nursing leadership skills. Learning experiences include seminar and off-campus cultural immersion experiences.	2	4	28	
NURS 422 Behavioral Health Nursing for International Students	This course focuses on the holistic care of individuals and families with behavioral health needs with varied lived experiences of wellness and illness. Emphasis is placed on application of the nursing process, utilization of therapeutic communication techniques, and use of recovery models in the care of individuals and families with behavioral health needs. The impact of belief patterns, values, and societal views on behavioral health and treatment are examined.	3	6	42	
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NURS 432 Community Health Nursing for International Students	This course focuses on the holistic care of diverse individuals, families, groups, communities, and populations with varied experiences of wellness and illness. Emphasis is placed on implementing the nursing process while integrating belief patterns and values to enhance the health of communities and populations. Health promotion, disease, and injury prevention across the lifespan are examined.	3	6	42	
NURS 422X Behavioral Health Nursing International Student Practicum	This course focuses on the practical implementation of holistic care of individuals and families with behavioral health needs. Emphasis is placed on application of the nursing process, utilization of therapeutic communication techniques, and use of recovery models under the direct supervision of a preceptor and faculty advisor. Clinical learning experiences include clinical practicum hours, skills labs, and simulations. This practicum course is for international nursing students	2	4		84
OR NURS 432X Community Health Nursing International Student Practicum	OR This course focuses on the practical implementation of holistic care of diverse individuals, families, groups, communities, and populations with varied experiences of wellness and illness. Emphasis is placed on application of the nursing process while integrating belief patterns and values to enhance the health of communities and populations under the direct supervision of a preceptor and faculty advisor. Clinical learning experiences include clinical practicum hours, skills labs, and simulations. This practicum course is for international nursing students.	2	4		84
NURS 341 Adult Health Nursing I for International Students	This course focuses on the holistic care of the adult with varied lived experiences of wellness and illness. Emphasis is placed on applying the nursing process while integrating belief patterns and values to the care of individuals living with acute and chronic disease.	2	4	28	0
NURS 343 International Student Clinical Practicum	This course focuses on the practical implementation of the nursing process in the care of individuals and families. Emphasis is placed on the application of the nursing process in the hospital setting under the direct supervision of a preceptor and faculty advisor. Students apply physical assessment and communication skills to provide holistic nursing care. Clinical learning experiences include clinical practicum hours, skills labs, and simulation. This practicum course is for international nursing students and includes adult health and palliative care experiences.	4	8	0	168

TOTAL CLINICAL HOURS: 338

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