Nebraska Wesleyan University

NURS 2180 Health Assessment for Traditional BSN Students

Catalog

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Course Description

This course is designed for first level students who have completed basic anatomy and physiology courses successfully. It contains the theories and skills necessary to collect a comprehensive health history as a holistic approach. Health History includes the interview with clients, psychosocial assessment, nutritional assessment, and assessment of sleep-wakefulness patterns. This course will introduce the student to assessment techniques such as inspection, palpation, percussion, and auscultation. Following the completion of this course the student will be able to perform a complete physical assessment starting from general assessment, to “head to toe” assessment.
The course is offered during an 16-week period, which includes theory and laboratory experiences. A one hour laboratory is also required (NURS 2180L Health Assessment Traditional BSN Lab).

Prerequisite(s): Admission to the Traditional BSN program.

Corequisite(s): NURS 2000 Foundations of Professional Nursing Practice, NURS 2180L Health Assessment Traditional BSN Lab and NURS 2710 Pathophysiology for Traditional BSN Students.

Course Hours

2 hours

Departments

1. Nursing (Undergraduate)