

Imperial Valley College  
Nursing and Allied Health

**Nursing Learning Center - NURS 083 (Independent Studies)**  
**Syllabus**

**Tutor Instructor(s): Rebecca Agundez RN BSN; Pam Hansink BSN RN**

One (1) unit per semester – 54 hours of study per unit during a semester to receive credit. This is a credit/non-credit class. **Prerequisite** is admission to the third semester of the Nursing Program. A textbook is not required for this lab course. **Grading Criteria:** Pass/No Pass

**Student Learning Outcome:** Upon course completion, the successful student will have acquired new skills, knowledge, and/or attitudes as demonstrated by:

1. Demonstrate new learning or study techniques and appropriate application specific to third semester nursing degree courses. **(ISLO 2, 3)**
2. Describe factors that create a culture of safety and their role in preventing medical errors specific to third semester nursing degree content **(ISLO 4)**

**Institutional Student Learning Outcomes:** **ISLO1=** Communication Skills; **ISLO2=** Critical Thinking Skills; **ISLO3=** Personal Responsibility; **ISLO4=** Information Literacy; **ISLO5=** Global Awareness.

**To receive credit for this class:**

1. Students must complete a minimum of 54 hours in the Nursing Learning Center, Skills and Computer Labs by the last week of the semester.
2. There will be one assignment for students to complete on surveymonkey.com

**Course Description:** This course is designed to facilitate the learning of nursing knowledge, skills and concepts specific to third semester nursing through individualized, computer enhanced (CAI) and tutor mediated instruction. It is open to students in the second semester nursing program. (Nontransferable, non-degree applicable)

This lab course falls under the department of Nursing and Allied Health. It is staffed by Nursing Instructor/Tutors who are licensed professional RNs, and a Microcomputer Lab Technician. This course requires enrollment in the first semester RN or LVN.

This is an Individual Studies Course and is self-paced. It is designed to help the student review concepts and practice skills learned as required in the third semester nursing courses, under the supervision and guidance of the Nursing Learning Center Instructor/Tutors as needed. The goal of NURS 081 is for the student to become proficient in their nursing preparation by addressing specific problem areas or weaknesses in their studies. Although the Nursing Instructor/Tutors and Microcomputer Lab Assistant are available to assist, many assignments are done by the students on their own.

The student is responsible for logging in and out using the Tutortrak Computer when they use the Learning Center, skills or Computer Lab. Students must be registered in the course before logging in. The hours recorded by Tutortrak will be used to determine if the student has completed the required 54 hours per semester to receive credit for the class. (This averages about 4 hours per week in the semester.)

The students can check out books from the Nursing Learning Center Library for three days only; the tutor must assist the students with book check out. The audio-visual materials, reference only books and computer programs are NOT available for check out and must only be used in the NLC.

Normal hours are from 8:00am to 5:00pm, Monday through Friday during Fall and Spring semesters. Lab hours vary during Winter and Summer session, but a schedule is posted throughout the year. The Nursing Learning Center and Computer Lab makes every effort to be open during hours that fit program requirements.

NURS 081 is subject to the same deadlines for registration, adding and dropping the class as any other IVC course.  
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