

Basic Course Information

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Classroom:	2139	Office #:	RF 2129/ PC 2134
Class Dates:	Start Date: February 12, 2018 End Date: June 4, 2018	Office Hours:	Posted on Office Door
Class Days:	Monday	Office Phone #:	RF 355-6421/ PC 355-6422
Class Times:	1200-1305	Emergency Contact:	Nursing Office
Units:	1.0		

Course Description

This course provides an introduction to the principles of pharmacology, including: pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics, medication interactions and potential adverse medication reactions. Emphasis will be placed on life span issues, gene therapy, medication errors, substance abuse, Immunizations and OTC, herbal and dietary medications. Focus will be on nursing actions and rationale for the concepts and medications covered.

Course Prerequisite(s) and/or Corequisite(s)

NS 107 Fundamentals

Student Learning Outcomes

1. Differentiate the principles of pharmacology, pharmacodynamics, pharmacokinetics Pharmacogenetics, therapeutics, toxicology, legal, ethical, psychosocial, gender and cultural influences to medication utilization by passing the final with 75% or better. (ILO 1,2,4)
2. The student will be able to apply pharmacological principles in the care of patients by passing the ATI Pharmacology test with a raw score of 70% or better. (ILO 1,2)

Course Objectives

1. Apply principles of pharmacology, pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics and drug administration including adverse drug effects and medication errors to medication therapy.
2. Understand the legal and ethical implications, with historical and current drug regulation, substance abuse and psychosocial, gender and cultural influences to medication utilization and administration.
3. Apply principles of pharmacotherapy in the dimensions of the pediatric, geriatric and pregnancy and lactating patient.
4. Recognize the major classifications of medications, common medications within each classification, their side effects, and Contraindications
5. Discuss nursing implications and concepts of safety when performing medication administration

Textbooks & Other Resources or Links

Author	ISBN	Title	Edition	Year	Publisher
Burchum & Rosenthal	978-0-323--32190-7	Lehne's Pharmacology for Nursing Care	9th	2016	Elsevier

Course Requirements and Instructional Methods

A. Hours

NS109 is a 1.0 unit theory course. Lectures are held 1.0 hours per week.

B. Assignments:

Reading, CD/video, Internet, and writing assignments are required. Students will be expected to read, understand, and critique information from college level textbooks, nursing journals, or equivalent. The reading list will include texts used in prior nursing courses and those required of this course (see text book list). Additional reading assignments will be required to supplement textbook material. Writing assignments will reflect the objectives listed and may include, but not be limited to, short essays, posters, and/or professional papers. Outside assignments including but not limited to nursing lectures, independent exercises, and learning center activities may be assigned and are required.

Plagiarism and cheating policies noted in the student handbook and IVC policies will be strictly enforced. Students are expected to develop original work for this course. It is recommended that students visit the college library to become acquainted with research tools available.

Schedule may change at the discretion of the instructor, taking into account the progress of students with the materials. Any change will be announced in class or via email through Blackboard. **Students are held responsible for all materials covered in the syllabus and for any changes that are announced in class or by email.**

It is recommended that if a grade falls below 78% that the student will arrange to meet with the faculty member. Faculty can be reached in person, by email, or during office hours to discuss grades or other classroom matters.

The student is responsible for withdrawing (W) from the class before the deadline as outlined on your registration forms. Failure to pass this class will affect your ability to progress to the next semester. Students failing or withdrawing must complete a Petition to Re-Enter.

Out of Class Assignments: The Department of Education policy states that one (1) credit hour is the amount of student work that reasonably approximates not less than one hour of class time and two (2) hours of out-of-class time per week over the span of a semester. WASC has adopted a similar requirement.

Course Grading Based on Course Objectives

Students must maintain a "C" average grade as determined by the scale below:

- A = 92-100%
- B = 83-91%
- C = 75-82%
- D = 68-74%
- F = Below 68%

Grades will not be "rounded". To advance to the next semester, a "C" or better is required in this course and the **co-requisite courses. The course grade will be computed as follows 65% will come from an average of all assignments prior to the final exam and 35% of the course grade will come from the final exam. Drug cards and assignments will compose 30% and test 70% of 65% of grade.**

All of the following must be attained to successfully pass this course:

- A. Final Theory Exam score must be passed at a 70%.
- B. Theory (exams) grade must total equivalent of 75% or greater.

C. Attendance requirements as noted below must be met.

Testing will include no more than 3 examinations in addition to written, demonstration, and oral assignments, and a final examination. Pop quizzes may be included. **EXCEPT FOR UNDER EXTREME CIRCUMSTANCES, THERE WILL BE NO MAKE-UPS FOR TESTS OR QUIZZES MISSED DUE TO ABSENCE.**

Attendance

- A student who fails to attend the first meeting of a class or does not complete the first mandatory activity of an online class will be dropped by the instructor as of the first official meeting of that class. Should readmission be desired, the student's status will be the same as that of any other student who desires to add a class. It is the student's responsibility to drop or officially withdraw from the class. See [General Catalog](#) for details.
- It is the responsibility of each student to attend all classes and to contact the faculty person before the start of class if there is a need to be excused from class. Students are expected to attend all classes. **Absences are limited to 1.0 hours of theory throughout the semester (equivalent to number of hours class meets in one week).** A student who reaches the maximum allowable hours of absenteeism or tardiness may be dropped by the instructor.
- Acceptance of absenteeism excuses is at the discretion of the faculty member and may result in failure of the class. Absences attributed to the representation of the college at officially approved events (conferences, contests, and fieldtrips) will be counted as "excused" absences. A student who reaches the maximum allowable number of hours absent and is not allowed to continue in class and may file a petition to reenter the nursing program. The teaching team will meet with the student to discuss remediation and the possibility of reentry.
- **Students who are late for class three times will be considered absent for one day.**

Classroom Etiquette

During all classroom and clinical instruction time, every person will be respected within the group and it is expected that all interactions between students, faculty, and other staff will take place professionally and courteously. It is expected that students will come prepared for class by completing reading assignments and skills practice on their own time.

- Electronic Devices: Cell phones and electronic devices must be turned off and put away during class, unless otherwise directed by the instructor.
- Food and Drink are prohibited in all classrooms. Water bottles with lids/caps are the only exception. Additional restrictions will apply in labs. Please comply as directed by the instructor.
- Disruptive Students: Students who disrupt or interfere with a class may be sent out of the room and told to meet with the Campus Disciplinary Officer before returning to continue with coursework. Disciplinary procedures will be followed as outlined in the [General Catalog](#).
- Children in the classroom: Due to college rules and state laws, no one who is not enrolled in the class may attend, including children.

Online Netiquette

- What is netiquette? Netiquette is internet manners, online etiquette, and digital etiquette all rolled into one word. Basically, netiquette is a set of rules for behaving properly online.
- Students are to comply with the following rules of netiquette: (1) identify yourself, (2) include a subject line, (3) avoid sarcasm, (4) respect others' opinions and privacy, (5) acknowledge and return messages promptly, (6) copy with caution, (7) do not spam or junk mail, (8) be concise, (9) use appropriate language, (10) use appropriate emoticons (emotional icons) to help convey meaning, and (11) use appropriate intensifiers to help convey meaning [do not use ALL CAPS or multiple exclamation marks (!!!!)].

Academic Honesty

Academic honesty in the advancement of knowledge requires that all students and instructors respect the integrity of one another's work and recognize the important of acknowledging and safeguarding intellectual property.

There are many different forms of academic dishonesty. The following kinds of honesty violations and their definitions are not meant to be exhaustive. Rather, they are intended to serve as examples of unacceptable academic conduct.

- Plagiarism is taking and presenting as one's own the writings or ideas of others, without citing the source. You should understand the concept of plagiarism and keep it in mind when taking exams and preparing written materials. If you do not understand how to "cite a source" correctly, you must ask for help.
- Cheating is defined as fraud, deceit, or dishonesty in an academic assignment, or using or attempting to use materials, or assisting others in using materials that are prohibited or inappropriate in the context of the academic assignment in question.

Anyone caught cheating or plagiarizing will receive a zero (0) on the exam or assignment, and the instructor may report the incident to the Campus Disciplinary Officer, who may place related documentation in a file. Repeated acts of cheating may result in an F in the course and/or disciplinary action. Please refer to the [General Catalog](#) for more information on academic dishonesty or other misconduct. Acts of cheating include, but are not limited to, the following: (a) plagiarism; (b) copying or attempting to copy from others during an examination or on an assignment; (c) communicating test information with another person during an examination; (d) allowing others to do an assignment or portion of an assignment; (e) using a commercial term paper service.

Additional Student Services

Imperial Valley College offers various services in support of student success. The following are some of the services available for students. Please speak to your instructor about additional services which may be available.

- **CANVAS LMS.** Canvas is Imperial Valley College's main Learning Management System. To log onto Canvas, use this link: [Canvas Student Login](#). The [Canvas Student Guides Site](#) provides a variety of support available to students 24 hours per day. Additionally, a 24/7 Canvas Support Hotline is available for students to use: 877-893-9853.
- **Learning Services.** There are several learning labs on campus to assist students through the use of computers and tutors. Please consult your [Campus Map](#) for the [Math Lab](#); [Reading, Writing & Language Labs](#); and the [Study Skills Center](#).
- **Library Services.** There is more to our library than just books. You have access to tutors in the [Study Skills Center](#), study rooms for small groups, and online access to a wealth of resources.

Disabled Student Programs and Services (DSPS)

Any student with a documented disability who may need educational accommodations should notify the instructor or the [Disabled Student Programs and Services \(DSP&S\)](#) office as soon as possible. The DSP&S office is located in Building 2100, telephone 760-355-6313. Please contact them if you feel you need to be evaluated for educational accommodations.

Student Counseling and Health Services

Students have counseling and health services available, provided by the pre-paid Student Health Fee.

- **Student Health Center.** A Student Health Nurse is available on campus. In addition, Pioneers Memorial Healthcare District provide basic health services for students, such as first aid and care for minor illnesses. Contact the IVC [Student Health Center](#) at 760-355-6128 in Room 1536 for more information.
- **Mental Health Counseling Services.** Short-term individual, couples, family and group counseling services are available for currently enrolled students. Services are provided in a confidential, supportive, and culturally sensitive environment. Please contact the IVC Mental Health Counseling Services at 760-355-6310 or in the building 1536 for appointments or more information..

Veteran's Center

The mission of the [IVC Military and Veteran Success Center](#) is to provide a holistic approach to serving military/veteran students on three key areas: 1) Academics, 2) Health and Wellness, and 3) Camaraderie; to serve as a central hub that connects military/veteran students, as well as their families, to campus and community resources. Their goal is to ensure a seamless transition from military to civilian life. The Center is located in Building 600 (Office 624), telephone 760-355-6141.

Extended Opportunity Program and Services (EOPS)

The Extended Opportunity Program and Services (EOPS) offers services such as priority registration, personal/academic counseling, tutoring, book vouchers, and community referrals to qualifying low-income students. EOPS is composed of a group of professionals ready to assist you with the resolution of both academic and personal issues. Our staff is set up to understand the problems of our culturally diverse population and strives to meet student needs that are as diverse as our student population.

Also under the umbrella of EOPS our CARE (Cooperative Agency Resources for Education) Program for single parents is specifically designed to provide support services and assist with the resolution of issues that are particular to this population. Students that are single parents receiving TANF/Cash Aid assistance may qualify for our CARE program, for additional information on CARE please contact Lourdes Mercado, 760-355- 6448, lourdes.mercado@imperial.edu. EOPS provides additional support and services that may identify with one of the following experiences:

- Current and former foster youth students that were in the foster care system at any point in their lives
- Students experiencing homelessness
- Formerly incarcerated students

To apply for EOPS and for additional information on EOPS services, please contact Alexis Ayala, 760-355-5713, alexis.ayala@imperial.edu.

Student Equity Program

The Student Equity Program strives to improve Imperial Valley College's success outcomes, particularly for students who have been historically underrepresented and underserved. The college identifies strategies to monitor and address equity issues, making efforts to mitigate any disproportionate impact on student success and achievement. Our institutional data provides insight surrounding student populations who historically, are not fully represented. Student Equity addresses disparities and/or disproportionate impact in student success across disaggregated student equity groups including gender, ethnicity, disability status, financial need, Veterans, foster youth, homelessness, and formerly incarcerated students. The Student Equity Program provides direct supportive services to empower students experiencing insecurities related to food, housing, transportation, textbooks, and shower access. We recognize that students who struggle meeting their basic needs are also at an academic and economic disadvantage, creating barriers to academic success and wellness. We strive to remove barriers that affect IVC students' access to education, degree and certificate completion, successful completion of developmental math and English courses, and the ability to transfer to a university. Contact: 760.355.5736 or 760.355.5733 Building 100.

- The Student Equity Program also houses IVC's Homeless Liaison, who provides direct services, campus, and community referrals to students experiencing homelessness as defined by the McKinney-Vento Act. Contact: 760.355.5736 Building 100.

Student Rights and Responsibilities

Students have the right to experience a positive learning environment and to due process of law. For more information regarding student rights and responsibilities, please refer to the IVC [General Catalog](#).

Information Literacy

Imperial Valley College is dedicated to helping students skillfully discover, evaluate, and use information from all sources. The IVC [Library Department](#) provides numerous [Information Literacy Tutorials](#) to assist students in this endeavor.

Anticipated Class Schedule/Calendar

Pharmacology Content

Date	Description	Reading/assignments are to be done prior to class so that you may be an active participant in lecture and class activities
<p>Week 1 2-12-18 Fitzsimmons</p>	<p>History of pharmacology Characteristics of the ideal drug Classification of drugs Naming drugs Connecting pharmacology to clinical nursing Drug regulations Patent medicines Drug legislation Drug standards US food and drug administration Drug approval Prescription and OTC drugs Drug schedules</p>	<p>Lehne's, (2016) Chapter 1,2,3</p>
<p>Week 3 2-26-18 Fitzsimmons</p>	<p>Pharmacokinetics Introduction to pharmacokinetics Primary processes of pharmacokinetics Time-response relationships</p>	<p>Lehne's , (2016) Chapter 4</p>
<p>Week 4 3-5-18 Fitzsimmons</p>	<p>Pharmacodynamics Inter-patient variability Therapeutic index Dose-response relationship Potency and efficacy Receptor theory Agonists and antagonists Pharmacogenetics</p>	<p>Lehne's , (2016) Chapter 5,6</p>
<p>Week 5 3-12-18 Fitzsimmons</p>	<p>Adverse drug effects and drug interactions Adverse drug affects Drug interactions Medication errors and risk reduction Medication errors and their impact on health care Factors contributing to medication errors Drug names and medication errors Reporting medication errors Strategies for reducing medication errors</p>	<p>Lehne's, (2016) Chapter 7</p>
<p>Week 6 3-19-18 Fitzsimmons</p>	<p>Pharmacology of substance abuse Fundamental concept of substance abuse Central nervous system depressant Cannabinoids marijuana, hallucinogens Central nervous system stimulants Nicotine inhalants</p>	<p>Lehne's, (2016) Chapter 37-40</p>
<p>Week 7 3-26-18</p>	<p>Test</p>	

Week 8 4-9-18 Colio	Pharmacotherapy During pregnancy and lactation Rationale for drug use during pregnancy and lactation Pharmacotherapy during pregnancy Pharmacotherapy during lactation Pharmacotherapy of the pediatric patient Pharmacokinetic variables in pediatric patients Pharmacologic implications associated with growth and development Medication safety for pediatric patients Determining pediatric drug dosages Adverse drug reactions in children and promoting adherence	Lehne's, (2016) Chapter 9,10
Week 9 4-16-18 Colio	Pharmacotherapy of the Geriatric Patient Polypharmacy Physiological changes related to aging Pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamics changes in the older adult Adverse drug reactions in older adults	Lehne's, (2016) Chapter 11
Week 10 4-23-18 Fitzsimmons	Psychosocial, gender and cultural influences on pharmacotherapy Holistic pharmacotherapy Psychosocial influences Cultural and ethnic variables Genetic influences Gender influences	Lehne's, (2016) Chapter 8,108
Week 10 4-23-18 Fitzsimmons	Complementary and alternative therapies Type of complementary and alternative therapy History of herbal therapies Standardization of herbal products Dietary supplement regulation Herb-drug interactions Specialty supplements	Lehne's, (2016) Chapter 108
Week 10 4-23-18 Fitzsimmons	Immunizing Agents Discovery of vaccines Vaccines and the immune system Types of vaccines General principles of vaccine administration Active immunity Passive immunity	Lehne's, (2016) Chapter 67,68, ATI Pharmacology Made Easy Develop Immunization chart for children and adults outlining important information for nurses, this will be graded.
Week 11 4-30-18	TEST	
Week 12 5-7-18 Colio	Autonomic Nervous System Cholinergic Agonist Cholinergic Antagonists Adrenergic agonists	Lehne's, (2016) Chapter 12-19 ATI Pharmacology Made Easy Drug Cards: Compare/Contrast (C/C) Adrenergic agent;

	Adrenergic Antagonists	<p>Norepinephrine (Levophed) <i>Adrenergic blocking agent;</i> <i>Alpha blockers:</i>Prazosin(Minipress) <i>Beta blockers:</i> Metoprolol (Lopressor, Toprol XL) <i>C/C Cholinergic Agent (Direct acting parasympathomimetic);</i> Bethanechol(Urecholine) <i>Cholinergic blocking agent;</i> Atropine (Atropair) <i>C/C Acetylcholinesterase Inhibitor;</i> Donepezil (Aricept), Memantine(Namenda) (Group together for dementia)</p>
<p>Week 13 5-14-18 Colio</p>	<p>Pain General principles of pain management Pharmacology of acute and chronic pain Prototype drugs Morphine sulfate (Astramorph) Tramadol (Ultram) Pharmacotherapy of opioid antagonists Naloxone (Narcan)</p>	<p>Lehne's, (2016) Chapter 28-30 ATI Pharmacology Made Easy Drug Cards: <i>C/C: Opioid Agonist; Morphine (Astromorph)</i> <i>Opioid Antagonist; Naloxene (Narcan)</i> <i>C/C: NSAID, & Acetaminophen (Tylenol){pain use},</i> Misc: Tramadol (Ultram)</p>
<p>Week 14 5-21-18 Colio</p>	<p>Anesthetic and Anesthesia Adjuncts Types of anesthesia Principles of General Anesthesia Local anesthesia Adjuncts to anesthesia</p>	<p>Lehne's, (2016) Chapter 26,27 Drug Cards: Amide; Local Anesthetic Lidocaine(Xylocaine) Compare/Contrast (C/C)General Anesthetic Gas; Nitrous Oxide Volatile Anesthetic; Halothane (Fluothane) IV Anesthetic; Thiopental (Pentothal) Neuromuscular Blocker; Succinylcholine (Anectine)</p>
<p>Week 16 6-4-18</p>	Final	

Content Units:

Principles of Pharmacology

Unit Objectives:

1. Identify history of pharmacology and drug regulations that enhances nursing care of patients and families.
2. Describe the role of the United States Food and Drug Administration in drug regulation in determining the safety of drugs for use by the population.
3. Define common principles used in describing drug properties.
4. Describe common principles used for medication administration.
5. Differentiate between principles of pharmacology, pharmacokinetics, and pharmacodynamics.
6. Identify measures that support safe medication administration.
7. Discuss legal/ethical issues related to medication administration.

8. Describe the principles of drug administration, adverse drug effects and medications errors on nursing care.
9. Discuss drug regulation, substance abuse, and psychosocial, gender and cultural influences to medication administration.
10. Describe principles of pharmacotherapy in regards to pregnancy/lactating, pediatric and geriatric patient's.

Content Topics:

Introduction to Major Drug Classifications

Unit Objectives:

1. Discuss the purpose for placing drugs within major classifications.
2. Identify common therapeutic drug classifications.
3. Explain the terms and drug actions, side effects, and nursing implications.

Content Topics:

Major Classifications

Unit Objectives:

1. Identify common drugs within the following classifications.
2. Describe the uses, actions, side effects, contraindications, nursing implications, and patient education needs of selected prototype drugs.

Content Topics:

- a. OTC, Homeopathic and herbal preparations
- b. Immunizations through the life span
- c. Autonomic Nervous System
- d. Analgesics
- e. Anesthetic and Anesthesia Adjuncts