

MA 83 – Foundations of Medical Practice for MA's

Basic Course Information

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Semester:	Spring 2024	Instructor Name:	
	MA 83 - Foundations of		
	Medical Practice for		
Course Title & #:	Medical Assistants	Email:	Alicia.ortega@imperial.edu
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Class Dates:	02/10/2024-06/04/2024	Office Hours:	Tuesday 0900-1300
Class Days:	Mon and Wed	Office Phone #:	760-355-5736
	Lecture 15:30pm – 1735pm		Beatriz Trillas-Martinez
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Units:	5	Class Format:	Face to face

Course Description

This course examines common disease processes effecting different anatomy and physiology, infection control and protective practice associated with medical assisting in an ambulatory care setting. Exam room procedures and specimen collection including obtainment of capillary and venous blood samples are explored. Assisting the physician with minor invasive procedures and minor surgery are discussed. (Nontransferable, AA/AS degree only)

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

MA 081 with a grade of "C" or better, or concurrent enrollment in MA 081.

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon course completion, the successful student will have acquired new skills, knowledge, and or attitudes as demonstrated by being able to:

- 1. Demonstrate appropriate administration of medication by 3 separate routes.
- 2. Demonstrate correct assessment of vital signs on a classmate.

Course Objectives

Upon satisfactory completion of the course, students will be able to:

- 1. Identify common pathology related to each body system including a. signs; b. symptoms; c. etiology (I.C.8)
- 2. Analyze pathology for each body system including: a. diagnostic measures; b. treatment modalities (I.C.9)
- 3. Identify CLIA waived test associated with common diseases (I.C.10)



- 4. Identify the classification of medications including: indication for use; desired effects; side effects and adverse reactions (I.C.11)
- 5. Describe basic principles of first aid and safety issues as they pertain to the ambulatory healthcare setting (I.C.14, XII.C 1, 3,4,)
- 6. Identify safety techniques that can be used in responding to accidental exposure to: a. blood; b. other body fluids; c. needle sticks; d. chemicals (XII.C.2)
- 7. List major types of infectious agents (III.C.1)
- 8. Describe the infection cycle including the infectious agent, reservoir, susceptible host, means of transmission, portals of entry and portals of exit (III.C.2)
- 9. Define medical asepsis and surgical asepsis as practices within the ambulatory care setting, (III.C.3)
- 10. Identify methods of controlling the growth of microorganisms (III.C.4)
- 11. Define the principles of standard precautions (III.C.5,6,7)
- 12. Describe dietary nutrients including a. carbohydrates, fat, protein, mineral, electrolytes, vitamins, fiber, and water (IV.C.1)
- 13. Define the function of dietary supplements (IV.C.2)
- 14. Identify the special dietary needs for: a. weight control; b. diabetes; c. cardiovascular disease; d. hypertension;
 - e. cancer; f. lactose sensitivity; g. gluten-free; h. food allergies (IV.C.3)
- 15. Define coaching a patient as it relates to: a. health maintenance; b. disease prevention; c. compliance with treatment plan; d. community resources; e. adaptations relevant to individual patient needs.(V.C.6)
- 16. Demonstrate initial basic patient assessment techniques for patients at various stages of development.

Textbooks & Other Resources or Link

Textbook: Today's Medical Assistant, 4th Edition (paperback) by Kathy Bonewit-West, BS, MEd and Sue Hunt, MA, RN, CMA (AAMA) ISBN: 9780323581271 Copyright: 2021 Imprint: Saunders Study guide: Study Guide for Today's Medical Assistant, 4th Edition (paperback) by Kathy Bonewit-West, BS, MEd and Sue Hunt, MA, RN, CMA (AAMA) ISBN: 9780323639866 Copyright: 2021 Imprint: Saunders

Course Requirements and Instructional Methods

Class Activity

My Plate activity demonstrating correct food selection for patients with different dietary needs

Mid-Term/Final Exam(s)



Problem Solving Exercise

Medication Math calculations will be required during medication administration check off.

Quizzes

Skill Demonstration

Infection control skills such as proper handwashing, donning and doffing personal protective equipment, correct assessment of vital signs, medication administration by various routes will be demonstrated by student.

Course Grading Based on Course Objectives

Total points possible for the class: 250 points

- 6 quizzes 20 points each = 120
- 3 quizzes 10 points each = 30
- Final Medication check off = 10 points
- Midterm exam = 30 points
- Final exam= 30 points
- Venipuncture Check off= 10 points
- Chapter 19 study guide pages= 5 points
- Chapter 26 study guide pages= 5 points
- Chapter 35 study guide pages = 10 points

Grading Criteria: Letter grade only

- A= 225 250 points
- B= 200 224 points
- C= 175- 199 points
- 175 or fewer points = Fail
 - Students must pass the week 8 medication administration final check off with a grade of 8 out of 10 or higher in order to continue in the course. Less than 8/10 represents an unsatisfactory grade and student must withdraw from MA 83.
 - Students must pass the MA 83 theory final with 70% (21 points out of 30) to pass the course, regardless of overall passing grade going in to the final.
 - There are no make ups for missed exams.

Course Policies

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.

Regular attendance in all classes is expected of all students. A student whose continuous absences
exceed the number of hours the class is scheduled to meet per week (7 hours for MA 83) will lose points
on final exam; after 3rd absence, the student may be dropped.

As soon as you are aware that you will be late or absent, you need to contact the instructor by email or phone (760-442-7688) and leave a message with your name, date and that you will be late or absent.

- Absences attributed to the representation of the college at officially approved events (conferences, contests, and field trips) will be counted as 'excused' absences.
- Electronic Devices: Cell phones and electronic devices must be turned off and put away during class, unless otherwise directed by the instructor. Students will not be allowed to have cell phones or smart watches on their person during testing.
- Recorders will not be allowed in the classroom due to HIPAA laws.
- 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, **such as students who come in late**, **leave and enter the class several times or are repeatedly talking during lecture** 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, only students enrolled in the class may attend: children are not allowed.

Other Course Information

Academic Honesty

- 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.

Work-based learning activities in MA 83

Work-based learning (WBL) allows students to apply classroom content in professional settings while gaining real-world experiences. These opportunities will provide you with a deeper, more engaging, and relevant learning environment. The following WBL activities are available to provide you with the opportunity to explore career options in Medical Assisting:

1. Unpaid Internships/ Volunteer experiences are available for MA students to help prepare them for their careers through the IVC Career Services Center. If you are interested in learning more about this

opportunity, email your instructor. *Participation in the Volunteer experience is optional and is not a part of your grade for MA 83.*

IVC Student Resources

IVC wants you to be successful in all aspects of your education. For help, resources, services, and an explanation of policies, visit <u>http://www.imperial.edu/studentresources</u> or click the heart icon in Canvas.

Anticipated Class Schedule/Calendar				
Date or Week	Reading Assignment and Topic; quizzes	Course Objectives and SLO		
Week 1	Syllabus & Introduction			
Feb 10-12	Chap. 10 – Eye and Ear A & P and disorders			
	Skills: Chap. 21 – Ear/ Eye Assessment			
	Audiometry, Ear irrigation, Ear instillation			
	Snellen chart, Eye instillation			
		CO 1, 2, 4, 11, 16		
Week 2	Quiz # 1 – Ear and Eye assessment and procedures (10 points)			
Feb 17-19	Chap. 19 – Vital Signs			
<mark>No school</mark>	Skills: Handwashing, apply and remove gloves, vital signs			
	*Turn in Chapter 19 Study Guide pages 279 – 288, 292 B and C, 296 and 297 I	SLO #2 CO		
<mark>Monday- Feb 17</mark>		4, 15		
Week 3	Quiz # 2 – Vital Signs (20 points)			
Feb 24-26	Chapter 26 – Oral Medications (proc. 26-1)			
Ticketing for	Skills: Oral medication administration			
<mark>parking without a</mark>				
permit begins				
Monday Feb 24				
		CO 4, 15		



Week 4	Quiz #3 – Oral medications (20 points)	
Mar 35	<i>Chapter 26</i> – Reconstitution of parenteral meds, adding diluents (proc. 26-2,	
	3) Identifying Syringes and needles for subcut, IM, ID	
	Skills: Medication Reconstitution, injection technique	
		CO 4, 15
Week 5	*Turn in Chap. 26 study guide pages 585 - 589 and 599 - 601 (Sections H, I, J,	
Mar 10-12	K, L) Lecture on <i>Chap. 8</i> – Muscular system A & P	
	<i>Chap. 26</i> – Subcutaneous med administration in adults (proc. 26-4)	
	Pediatric subcut. sites pages 535 - 536	
	Skills: Subcut med administration	
		CO 4, 15
Week 6	Quiz # 4 – Subcutaneous medications (10 points)	
March 17-19	Chap. 26 – IM med administration in adults (proc. 26-5 and 26-A)	
	Pediatric IM sites page 535	
	Skills: IM med administration	CO 4, 15
Week 7	Quiz # 5 – Parenteral medication administration (20 points)	
Mar 24-2	<i>Chap.</i> 26 – Intradermal PPD administration (proc. 26-7) Skills:	
	ID injection	CO 4, 15
Week 8	MA 83 Midterm (30 points)	
March 30-April 2	Practice for Medication check off's	
	Wednesday Final Medication check off's Including Oral and Injection	
		SLO #1 CO 4, 15
Week 9	Chap. 11 – Endocrine system A & P and Diabetes	
Apr 7-9	Complete Study guide pages 149 – 152 in class	
	Chap. 17 – Medical Asepsis, Infection cycle, Bloodborne Pathogens, Healthcare Acquired Infections (HAI), Antibiotic resistance.	
	Safety in responding to exposure to blood, body fluids, needle sticks, etc.	
	Chap	CO 15
Week 10	Quiz #6– Endocrine system and diabetes (10 points)	
Apr 14-16	Chap. 24 – Pediatric Exam, Vaccines, asthma plan Growth and Development of	
	children	
	Skills-Pediatric Vaccinations	
		CO 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 16



	Spring Recess-No Classes	
Week 11 Apr 28-30	<u>Quiz #7</u> – Peds: Growth and Development, vaccines (20 points) Chap 31- Phlebotomy Wednesday- We will work on Blood Draws Every Wednesday	
		CO 5, 6
Week 12 May 5-7 Last day to drop with W May 11th	 Chap. 14 – Digestive system A & P, and Chap. 35 – Nutrition * Turn in Study guide pages for Chap. 35 pages 921 – 933 Wednesday- We will work on Blood Draws Every Wednesday 	
1101		CO 3, 6
Week 13 May 12-14	Quiz # 8 – GI Quiz (20points) Chap. 32 and 33 – Hematology and Blood Chemistry and Nutrition * Turn in study guide pages for Chap. 32 pages 829 – 833 (to question 31) and Chap. 33 pages 859 – 865 (no points for this assignment)	
	Wednesday- We will work on Blood Draws Every Wednesday	CO 15
Week 14 May 19-21	<u>Quiz # 9</u> – Hematology, blood chemistry Nutrition (20 points) <i>Chap.</i> <i>12</i> – Circulatory system A & P and disorders: hypertension, atherosclerosis, heart attack, stroke. <i>Chap. 38</i> pages 1004 - 1007 – Taking a health history. Pages 1012 – 1014 – documenting patient symptoms	
	Wednesday- We will work on Blood Draws Every Wednesday	CO 3, 12, 13, 14
Week 15 May 26-28 No class May 26	 Chap. 16 - Male/Female reproductive system A & P/ STD's Chap. 23 (cont.) - Prenatal development and care History taking Chap. 23 - Assisting with gynecological exam. 	
Holiday		CO 3, 15
Week 16 June 2-4	Monday -Venipuncture Check Off (10points) <u>Wednesday-MA 83 Final Exam (30 points)</u>	
	Remediation for Venipuncture if needed.	



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