

**University of Baghdad
College of Nursing
BSc. Program**

Course Syllabus
**Nursing Ethics
2022/2023
1st Semester**

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General Information & Policies

Course Number and Title: Nursing Ethics

اخلاقيات مهنة التمريض

Number of Credit Hours: (Total) 2 theoretical hours (2 hours per week for 15 weeks)

Times & Places: Monday @ 12:30 AM-2:30 PM , One Hall (beside the cafeteria).

Prerequisites: None

Course Description:

- 1- Explain a brief history of nursing.
- 2- Understand the basic principles and concepts of nursing ethics and apply them to practice.
- 3- Identify important ethical values and beliefs in providing and supporting nursing care.
- 4- Describe the roles of the nurse and the obligations that nurses must maintain.
- 5- Identify patients' rights and responsibilities for self-care and well-being.
- 6- Describe basic principles of the law and the rights of nurses.
- 7- Describe the Common theory in ethics.
- 8- Identify the role of the associations.
- 9- Understand the legal issues in nursing practice and professional practice laws.
- 10- Identify nursing decision-making strategies for ethical decision making.
- 11- Identify some of the special problems in nursing

Teaching Methods:

- The method of delivering the lecture, discussion groups, asking questions during the theoretical course, presenting seminars by students, and presenting a topic or assignment within the subject's jurisdiction.
- Practical training in all hospital units, in addition to watching scientific films on patient care.
- Using writing on the board, displaying on the screen, PowerPoint slides and scientific films, in addition to training in specialized hospitals and field visits

Evaluation Methods:

- Doing two written exams for the theoretical material.
- Do quick tests (quiz) after the theory lecture.
- Presentation of a seminar by the student in front of his colleagues regarding the scientific subject.
- Assigning the student an assignment or task for a specific topic

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Required Textbook(s) and Other Materials:

Butts, J.B. and Rich, K.L., 2022. *Nursing ethics: Across the curriculum and into practice*. Jones & Bartlett Learning, LLC, an Ascend Learning Company.

Course Objectives

By the completion of this course the student will be able to:

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Course Requirements

To complete the course successfully, the student must:

1. Preparing students who are qualified and skilled in various nursing procedures in providing nursing services based on scientific and practical foundations.
2. Preparing graduate cadres with high scientific and practical capabilities in the disciplines of nursing and medical sciences.
3. Enhancing the student's self-confidence and bridging the gap between theory and practice.
4. Contribute to community service by organizing lectures and seminars to aim of raising the health culture of community members

Evaluation & Grading

Distribution of Points:

<u>Student Evaluation:</u>	Doing two written exams for the theoretical and practical subjects
Theory exam 30 %	
Final Practical exam 70%	
Total 100 %	

Course Schedule and activities

A. The structure of the theoretical course		
Week of theory	Subjects (theory)	Hours of theory
1&2&3&4	Part I: Introduction to Ethics 1. Definition of terms 2. Ethical Theories and Approaches 3. Ethical Principles 4. Professional–Patient Relationships 5. Ethical Dilemmas 6. Critical Thinking and Ethical Decision Making	8h
5	Exam(1)	2h
6& 7&8	Part II: Ethics in Professional Nursing Practice 1. Professional Codes of Ethics in Nursing 2. Ideal Nursing Ethical Competencies 3. Nursing Professional Relationships 4. Nurses and Social Media	6h
9&10	Part III: Ethics in Organizations and Leadership 1. Organizational Ethics 2. Leadership Ethics	4h
11	Exam(2)	2h
12&13&14 &15	Part IV: Nursing Ethics Across the Life Span 1. Abortion 2. Medicalization	8h

	3.Organ Transplant Ethical Issues 4.Ethical Issues of Death and the 5.Nurses and Organ Donors	
Total	15 weeks	30 hours

Appendix A. Grading Rubric for Assignments (four assignments)

	Points Possible	Points Earned
Assignments MUST be written scientific, main objective. All the requirements in the assignment have been met	2 2	
Assignments indicate thoughtful consideration of questions posed including examples from student's own experiences (when appropriate)	1	
Points for each discussion	5	
Total Points	5*4= 20	

Appendix B. Grading Rubric for the Main Paper

Grading Criteria	Possible Points
Apply scientific report : concise ,Precision, accurate, Objectivity, Clarity,	7
Referencing	3
Total	10

Note: Make sure to submit each assignment before its due date.