

University Of Pittsburgh
School of Nursing

COURSE: NUR1636: Health Care Delivery in China

CREDIT ALLOTMENT: 3 credits

PLACEMENT: Summer

PREREQUISTE None

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COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course is designed to provide the undergraduate student with exposure to the culture and health care delivery system in China. Emphasis will be placed on exploring health issues and risk factors, the impact of cultural characteristics on health care delivery and utilization, and the achievement of health-related goals in China. Students will compare the health care systems, medical & nursing education and medical & nursing practice in China and the United States.

COURSE OBJECTIVES: Upon completion of Nur 1636 the student will be able to:

1. Compare the health care system of China with the US health care system.
2. Identify the impact of Chinese culture on its health care delivery system and utilization.
3. Compare nursing education in China to nursing education in the US.
4. Compare the scope of medical & nursing practice in China and the US.
5. Identify the major health problems/risk factors in China.
6. Reflect on the impact of the study abroad experience on personal and professional growth.

APPROVAL DATE
TOTAL FACULTY: 3/24/2014

TOPICAL OUTLINE:

- I. The Chinese Health Care System
- II. Impact of the Chinese Culture on Health Care
- III. Nursing Education and Practice in China
- IV. Health issues in China
- V. Health-Related Research in China

TEACHING METHODS: Discussion
Written Assignments
Field trips

**REQUIRED
TEXTBOOK:**

Observations and interviews

None

EVALUATION:

In order to achieve a passing grade the student must demonstrate independence, reliability, and professionalism in all activities including the following:

- I. Attendance at all orientation sessions, meetings.
- II. Daily journal. The journal must be submitted to Dr. Ren at the end of the course. Students need to reflect on each learning activity and to address each of the course objectives during their journal entries.
- III. Participation in all observational clinical activities, and field trips.
- IV. Participation in all cultural activities.
- V. Creation of positive relationships with staff, faculty, peers, clients, and other members of the Chinese public with whom the student has contact. Refer to behavior guidelines.

Grading

Students receive a letter grade using a criterion-based grading system. This means that the grade is based on the student's own achievement and **not** on a norm-based system that rates students relative to their classmates ("the curve").

Assignments

Journal	50%
Active participation in all activities	50%

Grading Scale:

Grade	Percentage
A+	97% - 100%
A	94% - 96%
A-	90% - 93%
B+	87% - 89%
B	84% - 86%
B-	80% - 83%
C+	77% - 79%
C	74% - 76%
C-	70% - 73%
D+	67% - 69%
D	64% - 66%
D-	60% - 63%
F	less than 60%

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES:

If you have a disability for which you are or may be requesting an accommodation, you are encouraged to contact both your instructor and Disability Resources and Services, 216 William Pitt Union, 412-648-7890 or 412-383-7355 (TTY) as early as possible in the term.

Disability Resources and Services reviews documentation related to a student's disability, provides verification of the disability, and recommends reasonable accommodations for specific courses.

PLAGIARISM:

Plagiarism is "presenting as one's own, for academic evaluation, the ideas, representations or works of another person or persons without customary and proper acknowledgement of sources" (Faculty development/TA Handbook, p. 15). Plagiarism is a violation of both the University of Pittsburgh's standards on academic honesty (02-03-03) and those of the School of Nursing (Policy No. 307). Violations of these policies are taken seriously. Any student suspected of violating this obligation for any reason during the semester will be required to participate in the procedural process; initiated at the instructor level, as outlined in the University Guidelines on Academic Integrity.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY:

All students are expected to adhere to the standards of academic honesty. Any student engaged in cheating, plagiarism other acts of academic dishonesty would be subject to disciplinary action. Any student suspected of violating this obligation for any reason during the semester will be required to participate in the procedural process, initiated at the instructor level, as outlined in the University Guidelines on Academic Integrity (<http://www.pitt.edu/~provost/ai1.html>). This may include, but is not limited to the confiscation of the examination of any individual suspected of violation the University Policy. Furthermore, no student may bring any unauthorized material to an examination including dictionaries and programmable calculators.