

# NUR 142 : Care of Acutely Ill Patients and Developing Families I

Focuses on the care of individual patients with health problems related to the respiratory, cardiovascular, fluid and electrolytes, endocrine, musculoskeletal, and neurological systems. Incorporates the nursing role in providing care to patients across the lifespan. Includes the second skills laboratory section in the Nursing sequence.

**Credits** 12

**Subject**

[Nursing](#)

## **Course Outcomes**

- Utilize critical thinking skills and understanding of nursing process to develop holistic, individualized plans of care for patients with pain, endocrine, respiratory, cardiovascular, musculoskeletal, integumentary disorders, and women's health needs across the life span.
- Identify health-related community-based resources supporting individuals across the lifespan.
- Utilize therapeutic communication skills with individual patients and families, while providing health education and health promotion.
- Collaborate with members of the health care team during planning, implementation and evaluation of the plan of care for assigned patients.
- Distinguish personal ethics that might conflict with professional ethics as delineated by the American Nurses Association in the Code of Ethics for Nurses
- Evaluate and apply strategies and communication techniques that promote effective delegation.

## **Prerequisite Courses**

[NUR 141](#)

[BI 234](#)

[FN 225](#)