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CHATHAM CAMPUS


Collaborative Nursing Program

YEAR 2

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Welcome to Year 2 of the Collaborative Nursing Program!

Welcome to Second Year!!

We hope your summer is going well. The fall semester is just around the corner so we wanted to give you some information about the fall so you can be prepared and know what to expect.

CONTACTS AND RESOURCES

Monica Staley Liang is the Dean of Health Sciences & Nursing and the Chair of the School of Nursing. Her office is located on the 2nd floor at Thames Campus (main office) or the 3rd floor of the CAHS (Windsor Campus), in room 3314a. She is always happy to address any questions or concerns students may have. Her email is mstaleyliang@stclaircollege.ca

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Academic Advisement and Clinical Placement Officer will be located on the 2nd floor at Thames Campus in the Faculty Offices section.

IMPORTANT DATES/INFORMATION:

Monday, September 4th is the Labour Day Holiday, so there are no classes on that day.

Clinical Clearance due: Tuesday, September 5th, 2023

Theory Classes begin: Tuesday September 5, 2023

Clinical placements begin:

- The week of September 11th.

Fall Reading Week – October 9 – 13th, 2023 (Thanksgiving: Monday, October 9th)

Winter Reading Week – Week of February 19th, 2024 (Family Day, Monday, February 19th, 2024)

Consolidation- (2024) - 2 weeks during the month of May, Dates TBA. You must be available the entire month of May in case of schedule changes.

Exam Week – Saturday, December 9, 2023 – Wednesday, December 20, 2023. Students are expected to be available for all the days during exam week as exams are scheduled at different times and dates. Please do not book appointments or vacation during this week.

ORIENTATION – A mandatory asynchronous clinical orientation will be available for the first week of classes on the NURS2532 blackboard course site. You will be expected to view this orientation prior to your first clinical shift the week of Sept 11th.

MATH TEST

Math testing will take place online this year and will be available in your Blackboard course NURS2532. This will be available the week of August 28th. You will need to achieve 100% on this math test to be able to administer medications in clinical. You will be permitted to check your calculations with a calculator during the math test. If you are unsuccessful at achieving 100% on your first attempt at the math test you will be able to rewrite it as needed. Note that there are unlimited attempts permitted for the math test, however, the math test must be successfully passed for you to administer medications in the clinical setting. If you are not able to show that you can consistently administer medications safely, you will not be able to pass this competency for clinical.

CLINICAL INFORMATION

The hospital orientation is completed through online modules on Blackboard. You will see a course entitled "CNCR 21F" on your list of courses in blackboard. Please go into this course after August 15th:

1. Look under "Placement Orientation Southwestern Ontario Hospitals" in the menu at the left
2. Select the "E-learning modules" folder
3. Read the instructions posted, then begin the first module.

You will need to achieve an 80% minimum on each module. You have unlimited attempts to achieve this passing grade. You will not be able to attend the hospital clinical setting until you are successful with all modules. This is a requirement of the placement site. Health and Safety modules must also be completed online with a successful mark of 80% for each. These all must be completed by Monday September 11th, otherwise our hospital partner will not allow you to attend.

CERNER LEARNING JOURNEY

- You will receive a Cerner training link for the 'Mandatory Privacy and Confidentiality and Security e-Learning Module' (approximately 45 minutes to complete). This will be required once per year only. If a student is going to a specialty unit such as OB, ER, Mental Health or Surgery, they will also receive a link to complete specialty Cerner training that is unique to that floor. All Cerner training links will come in an e-mail from Transform, please check your St Clair College email inbox in the last week of August, if you do not see an e-mail from Transform check your spam and junk folders.
- Students are expected to complete all Cerner training by the first day of clinical. Cerner 'user ID's' will remain the same throughout the student experience. Cerner passwords will revert to the default password: Changeme139! – once per year in September. For difficulties with logging in for the training, please call the Cerner Helpdesk at 519-962-0021.

CLINICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR YEAR 2

"For information regarding Clinical Placement Requirements and Medical Requirements, please visit the "Placement" tab on our program webpage. <https://www.stclaircollege.ca/programs/nursing-bscn>

You will be receiving a program specific letter regarding instructions for medical requirements

If you have not received complete clinical clearance by the first day of clinical you will not be eligible to go.

There are no exceptions to this.

NURS2522 Clinical – 8-hour day on your schedule

- You will attend a clinical experience one day a week for 8 hours. This clinical experience may be a day shift (0700 to 1500) or an afternoon shift (1400 to 2200). *Note: times may change depending on clinical instructor and/or clinical situation. Your clinical day may be extended due to patient care situations. All students in a clinical group must leave the building at the same time.
- During this experience, students will be caring for clients with acute and chronic health conditions in hospital. Clinical groups are comprised of approximately 8 students with one instructor.
- Your clinical day will be Tuesday or Wednesday.

We cannot accept requests for specific days, groups, or clinical placements.

BLACKBOARD

- Check blackboard for course listings late August/early September for any posted information or updates. The nursing student will be automatically enrolled in Blackboard once they are fully registered.
- Check Blackboard and emails daily. Blackboard courses are generally activated a week prior to the start of the semester.
- If you are having difficulty accessing your blackboard account (and you have completed your acknowledgements on the SIS) or email, please enter a ticket via the [mySt.Clair](#) portal and choose the IT Help Desk tile or call 519-972-2727 ext 2500.
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CLINICAL AND EXPERIENTIAL LAB INFORMATION

Your clinical will take place on a medical, surgical, or rehabilitation floor at the Chatham-Kent Health Alliance. in the hospital.

Fall semester: you will attend clinical practicum (NURS2522) one day a week (8 hours) and experiential learning lab (NURS2531) once a week (3 hours).

Winter semester: you will attend clinical practicum (NURS2532) one day a week (8 hours) and experiential learning lab (NURS2541) once a week (2 hours). Your clinical experience may be either an OB, mental health, medicine, surgery, or rehab placement, or a combination of these.

- All students are expected to be available for day shift (0630-1500) and afternoon shift (1330-2200). These are approximate times. Clinical days will be Monday.

Spring semester: You will attend a comprehensive consolidation in the hospital. This rotation (NURS2622) will enable you to consolidate your skills and knowledge for a 2-week period in an OB, mental health, medicine, surgery, or rehab placement.

- **Students are expected to be available for all dates during the month of May, including weekends. Please do not plan vacations during this time.**
- Students may be scheduled for 8-hour days/afternoons/midnights, weekdays and weekends.
- **Students are strongly encouraged NOT to work their regular jobs during this consolidation experience.**

CLINICAL AND LAB HOURS:

- 100% attendance is expected to maximize the opportunity for success.
- **All missed time requires a physician's note.**
- All students are responsible for their own reliable transportation to and from clinical and lab.

See the University of Windsor Collaborative BScN Nursing Student Clinical Placement Policies posted on Blackboard under NURS2522

Things to do over the summer

- Review your health assessments from NURS 1410 Holistic Health I.
- Review skills and skills videos from NURS 1511 and NURS 1521 (Experiential Learning Labs I & II).
- Review medical terminology.
- Review personal care skills, bathing, turning, repositioning, toileting, and transfers.

- Review metric conversions, 24-hour clock and basic math skills that you did in first year, including the approved list of medication abbreviations.
- Review your math for meds. You will be required to complete the math for medication administration test, just as you did in first year. It's important that you practice math calculations over the summer, so you are ready to be successful on the first attempt!
- Read information on oxygen, IV site and management, IV removal, specimen collection and urinary catheter removal in your Nursing Fundamentals Textbook (Perry and Potter).

Have a wonderful, restful summer, we are looking forward to seeing you back in the fall!