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Course Format
This course is offered as an online course using Moodle via course website: www.moodle.yorku.ca. If you need technical assistance, contact ithelp@yorku.ca or use Chat feature on the Moodle course site.

Additional classroom or electronic access sessions to be scheduled for student presentations. Dates to be announced.

Calendar Course Description

Prerequisites: Nursing 5100 6.0 Theoretical & Philosophical Foundations of Nursing Science, Nursing 5200 3.0 Qualitative Research Methods in Nursing, Nursing 5300 3.0 Quantitative Research Methods in Nursing

This advanced research course builds on research methodologies and theoretical inquiry to provide students with activities that involve exploration, analysis, synthesis, and discussion of research questions and proposal development. Emphasis is placed on collaborative research planning, funding, ethics, and dissemination.

Expanded Course Description
This advanced research course builds on research methodologies and theoretical inquiry from previous courses to provide students with activities that involve exploration, analysis, synthesis, and discussion of research questions and proposal development specifically related to knowledge mobilization/translation. Emphasis is placed on collaborative research planning, funding, ethics, and research dissemination. Students have the opportunity to critically examine clinically relevant research issues from current practice, leadership and education situations by applying the essential steps of evidence-based practice. After identifying researchable questions, students will develop research proposals that demonstrate conceptual clarity, methodological rigor, and consistent plans for knowledge mobilization in the chosen area of study. Students will consider research phenomena from multiple perspectives that generate depth and substantive understanding of the issues within the appropriate nursing context. Ethical processes of research
generation and knowledge translation and mobilization will be explored. Innovative and traditional dissemination activities will be applied to the research phenomenon being studied.

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Critically examine research issues/problems from current practice, leadership, and education situations/scenarios.
2. Refine and situate researchable questions within a context of current nursing practice and knowledge in Canada.
3. Systematically search and critically appraise the best available research/evidence to answer researchable issues identified in nursing current practice.
4. Examine whether the research/evidence on the researchable issue is rigorous and appropriate for mobilization into practice.
5. Evaluate various research methods and differentiate expected findings within the context of refined research questions.
6. Critically examine the utility of several knowledge translation models/theories.
7. Critically explore interventions to effectively mobilize research into practice.
8. Evaluate various methods for knowledge translation/mobilization research.
9. Demonstrate skill in collaborative scholarship and research planning.
10. Articulate consistent ethical processes/procedures for EBP and implementation.
11. Demonstrate successful application of knowledge from previous courses including research and theory.
12. Develop a basic knowledge mobilization/translation research proposal.

Learning Activities

Knowledge translation/mobilization research to inform nursing care, administration, education and/or policy will be the focus over the semester. Learning will follow a trajectory including, but not limited to, 1) identification of researchable nursing issues/problems from current practice/leadership/education, 2) identification, and critical appraisal of evidence/knowledge (e.g. best practice guideline) to address the issues, and 3) development of a research proposal to evaluate knowledge mobilization to address the issue.

Students are expected to engage in critical analyses of course readings and to actively engage in self-directed learning through participation in the discussion forums on a weekly basis. In order to do so, students are expected to complete the class preparation prior to participating in the week/module’s learning activities and discussion.
Course Resources (Textbooks)

Required Text


Supplementary Texts


Additional Course Readings

Required and recommended weekly readings will be posted on Moodle. Required readings that are not in your required text will be available electronically through the York University Library.

York Library Resources and Search Information

You may need to retrieve some recommended readings through inter-library loans (RACER) which are easily arranged online through the York University Library system. Students are responsible for locating and accessing the necessary resources. If you need assistance, contact Ms. Ilo-Katryn Maimets, Head Librarian, Steacie Science and Engineering Library at ilo@yorku.ca.

An electronic copy of the articles can be obtained through the York University library:

- NOTE: Use a browser such as Firefox or Chrome - **Internet Explorer will not work**.
  - Go to [http://www.library.yorku.ca/web/](http://www.library.yorku.ca/web/)

  Click on eResources.
  - Type in the name of the journal and then click ‘Find.’
  - Click on the red (underlined) journal name.
  - Copy the access URL and paste into a new tab/window (you may need to search for the URL as it can be found in different places depending on the journal, e.g., under ‘Technical Details’, ‘Alternative’, or ‘Physical Description’).
  - Click on the desired year (journals will have various ways of showing the year, e.g., may initially need to also choose ‘past issues’).
  - Click on the required issue, i.e., by volume and issue number for the desired year.
  - Scroll down to find authors’ names and/or title of article.
• Click on desired article; choose to download as a PDF version; then print or save the article.

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