

NURS 4846 - Community Health Nursing for RNs

Summer 2026 Syllabus, Section A02, CRN 30326,

Credit hours: 3

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Course Description

4846. Community Health Nursing for RNs. A synthesis of nursing and public health sciences emphasizing health of communities through assessment analysis of at-risk population groups. Includes nursing role in healthcare policy. Prereq.: Valid RN license. 3 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
Required	Community/Public Health Nursing 8th edition	Nies, M.A. & McEwen, M. (2024)	978-0-32-18819-7
Optional	National Health Objectives for the Nation Healthy People 2023	http://www.healthypeople.gov	website

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Required Text

Nies, M.A. & McEwen, M. (2024). Community/Public Health Nursing. 8th ed.
St. Louis, MO: Elsevier Saunders (ISBN 978-0-323-18819-7)

Other Resources

National Health Objectives for the Nation. Healthy People 2030 Website.
<http://www.healthypeople.gov>

Additional readings from nursing journals and texts, and audiovisual materials on the topic of community health nursing may also be required to view on Blackboard. All additional learning materials are considered testable.

Public Health Editorial:

The purpose of this assignment is to influence health policy through the editorial process. One written correspondence is to be composed to any publication (local,

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Schedule of Topics and Assignments

Week of	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
6/29		Due 7/1 at 11:59pm: *Week 1: Discussion Community Assessment assets/deficits

7/6	Due 7/5 at 11:59pm: Week 1: Windshield Survey Assignment Due 7/8 before 11:59:14pm: *Week 2: Discussion
7/13	Due 7/12 at 11:59pm: Week 2: Windshield Survey/Foot Survey Assignment Due 7/15 before 11:59:10pm: *Week 3: Discussion
7/20	Due 7/19 at 11:59pm: *Week 3 Assignment: Public Health Policy Editorial Due 7/22 before 11:59:26pm: *Week 4: Discussion Due 7/22 at 11:59pm: *Week 3: Interview Assignment (You'll post information from this interview in next week's Discussion Board, but not in this week's module)
7/27	Due 7/26 at 11:59pm: FEMA Recap + Review *Week 4: Community Project Assignment Due 7/29 before 11:59:24pm: *Week 5: Discussion
8/3	Due 8/2 at 11:59pm: *Week 5: Assignment 1, Summarize a Community Problem *Week 5: Assignment 2, Final Completed Community Assessment Tool Write-Up Due 8/5 before 11:59:16pm: *Week 6: Discussion
8/10	Due 8/9 at 11:59pm: Week 6: Vulnerable Population Assignment Due 8/12 before 11:59:46pm: *Week 7: Discussion of Shared Map-It Community Plans of Care Due 8/15 at 11:59pm: *Week 7: Assignment

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