Course Code	Course Title	ECTS Credits	
NURS-420	Comparative Health Care Contexts (Provision of Care)	10	
Prerequisites	Department	Semester	
None	Life & Health Sciences	Spring	
Type of Course	Field	Language of Instruction	
Required	Nursing	English	
Level of Course	Lecturer(s)	Year of Study	
1 <sup>st</sup> Cycle	Ms Sheila Davies	4 <sup>th</sup>	
Mode of Delivery	Work Placement	Co-requisites	
Face-to-face	N/A	NURS-425	

# **Objectives of the Course:**

The main objectives of the course are to:

- To demonstrate a higher level of understanding of the relationship between social and health policy and professional practices.
- To ensure student's ability to articulate the ethical and legal context of health care and the role of accountability in practice.
- To ensure students use an evidence base for practice
- To facilitate students functioning in a variety of settings and that they work effectively with members of health care and multi-agency teams to ensure holistic care.

## **Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

- Demonstrate an understanding of health care management and delivery within Cyprus and in other countries
- Compare and contrast the social, economic and political context of health care delivery at local, national and international level.
- Assess health care needs at the individual, group, and community level and plan measures to
  promote health and prevent ill-health, taking into account local and national policies that
  influence service provision.
- Discuss and challenge a variety of primary health care nursing approaches in caring for individuals, families and communities to promote health and improve clinical effectiveness.

## **Course Contents:**

- Community Nursing: Recent government legislation and development in public health. Primary health care nursing; Models and theories of primary health care nursing. Public Health and health visiting.
- Communications Skills: Interpersonal skills within interagency primary health care setting. Making and maintaining professional boundaries and professional colleagues
- Psychosocial Perspectives: Social aspects of disease. Contemporary social and health care
  policies, which affect the delivery of nursing in primary care. Cultural influences on health.
  Inequalities in health. Psychological care in health and illness. Cross cultural perspective.
   Professional Practice: Professional confidentiality and adult care. Ethics of community care. The
  law and international nursing

# **Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:**

Lectures, Presentations, Lab Tutorials, Practical Exercises and Assignments

#### **Assessment Methods:**

Laboratory Practical Sessions, Tests, Final Examination

# **Required Textbooks / Reading:**

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Nursing Adults: The Practice of Caring	Brooker, C. & Nicol, M.	Mosby	2003	0 7234 3157 4
Foundations of Nursing Practice: Fundamentals of Holistic Care.	Brooker, C. & Waugh, A.	Mosby	2007	0 7234 3356 9

## **Recomended Textbooks / Reading:**

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Bates' Guide to Physical Examination and History Taking	Bickley, S. L	Lippincott Williams & Watkins	2007	9781605474007