Grayson College Vocational Nursing Program



### VNSG 1304 Foundations of Nursing Fall 2020 Course Syllabus

Notice: This syllabus may be modified as deemed necessary by the instructor. Major modifications will be issued to the student in writing.

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## Grayson College Vocational Nursing Program VNSG 1304 Foundations of Nursing

Course Hours:	3 credit hour course, classroom
Course Level:	Level I, First Semester Course
Course Description:	Introduction to the nursing profession including history, standards of practice, legal and ethical issues, and role of the vocational nurse. Topics include mental health, therapeutic communication, cultural and spiritual diversity, nursing process and holistic awareness.
Prerequisites:	Admission to the Vocational Nursing Program
Co-requisites Course:	None
WECM Learning Outcomes:	<ol> <li>Identify roles and legal, ethical, and professional responsibilities of a vocational nurse as a member of the health care team in a variety of health care settings.</li> <li>Identify characteristics of a therapeutic nurse/client relationship.</li> <li>Examine positive nurse/client mental health practices emphasizing cultural and spiritual diversity.</li> <li>Relate the history of nursing to the present day.</li> <li>Describe the components of the nursing process.</li> </ol>
Differentiated Essential Competencies (DEC):	DEC are defined as competencies determined by the Texas Board of Nursing for each level of nursing education that should typically be achieved by exit from the program. The competencies document the background knowledge which can be used upon exit from the program to progress from beginner to expert. The DEC framework consists of knowledge and clinical judgment and behaviors in the following four nursing roles: Member of the Profession; Provider of Client- Centered Care; Client-Safety Advocate; Member of the Health Care Team.
Course Outcomes:	<ul> <li>At the end of VNSG 1304, the Vocational Nursing Student should be able to:</li> <li>Member of the Profession</li> <li>1. Discuss the history and evolution of nursing and current factors and issues affecting nursing practice.</li> <li>2. Discuss the LVN's legal scope of practice and the purpose of policies and procedures at the employing health care agency.</li> <li>3. Discuss professional standards of nursing provided by state and national resources.</li> <li>4. Discuss the various levels and differences of nursing practice.</li> <li>5. Discuss professional characteristics and boundaries, communication techniques, and legal parameters for the LVN.</li> <li>6. Discuss the role of the nurse as role model, teacher, and member of the profession, provider of care, client safety advocate, and member of the health care team.</li> <li>8. Locate online resources for information.</li> </ul>

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	<ol> <li>Develop strategies for success in the nursing program.</li> <li>Provider of Client Centered Care</li> </ol>
	10. Define the steps of the nursing process as a critical thinking approach to nursing care.
	<ol> <li>Discuss and identify various cultural and spiritual differences that affect the nursing approach to client care.</li> </ol>
	12. Discuss all aspects of holistic client care across the life span for who are experiencing problems with homeostasis or who need guidance to maintain
	homeostasis. 13. Demonstrate a beginning ability to provide legal documentation on.
	Client Safety Advocate
	<ol> <li>Determine how an LVN prioritizes problems in order to maintain safety.</li> <li>Follow established policies and report unsafe conditions.</li> </ol>
	16. Participate in organizational activities that promote client safety.
	Member of the Health Care Team
	<ol> <li>Discuss the role of the LVN in the clinical agencies or health care organizations.</li> </ol>
	<ol> <li>Describe how the LVN can utilize the channels of communication in health care organizations.</li> </ol>
	<ol> <li>Determine ways that the LVN can contribute to the development and practice of vocational nursing.</li> </ol>
	20. Determine how the LVN can work with others to improve the following areas: policies, quality improvement, communication, continuing education opportunities.
	<ol> <li>Determine the role of the LVN as a member of the health care team in following roles: provision of care, communication, collaboration, delegation, advocacy, and referrals.</li> </ol>
Withdrawal/Drop Date:	It is the student's responsibility to formally withdraw from a course. Failure to do so will result in an "F" on the student's transcript. Students should refer to the GC polices regarding withdrawal and dropping a course. The last date to withdraw from this course is November 13, 2020.
Required Texts:	DeWitt, S. (2014). Fundamental Concepts & Skills for Nursing. 5th ed. United
	States: Elsevier. Kurzen, C., (2017), <i>Contemporary Practical/Vocational Nursing.</i> 8th ed. Philadelphia, PA: Lippincott, Williams, & Wilkins.
Methods of Instruction:	Classroom teaching Student participation as assigned Required readings
	Videos as assigned
	Internet research as assigned Quizzes as assigned
Methods of Evaluation:	4 Unit Exams and Final Exam: Average of all grades on Unit exams and Final exam: (Final course grade must equal 75% or higher)
Grading Criteria:	After all exams are averaged, the students will achieve a grade according to this scale:

	90 - 100 % = A 80 - 89 = B 75 - 79 = C (Final grade must be at least 75%) 60 - 74 = D < 60 = F W = Withdrawal I = Incomplete
	Grades will be recorded for the student's convenience on Canvas. All grades will be calculated in Microsoft Excel for accuracy. Each unit exam will be rounded up or down to a whole number. Students must achieve a final score of at least 74.5% in order to be rounded to 75% which is the minimal passing score.
Scantrons:	If administering exams with scantrons, only the answers recorded on the Scantron will be accepted for the student's scoring and grade. Instructors are not responsible for incorrect bubbling in on the Scantron.
Cell Phones:	Cell phones are not allowed to be used and must be turned off during classroom lecture and lab. If a cell phone disrupts an exam, the student will receive 10 points off of the achieved grade for the exam.
Ungraded Assignments:	Students may be asked to participate in <u>ungraded</u> assignments. The assignments are for individual and group learning. All assignments must demonstrate adequate preparation. Assignments are expected to be completed as assigned. Assignments not complete as assigned will result in a grade of "incomplete (I)" for this course until the assignment is complete. Students may not progress to second semester of the Vocational Nursing Program with an "incomplete (I)" grade for VNSG 1304.
Test Review:	Upon completion of each exam, students are allowed twenty (20) minutes to review all items, including the answers and rationales. During this time the student may provide written feedback for the faculty to address during faculty test review.
Exam Counseling:	A student who fails to pass an exam with a grade of 74.5% or above will be required to complete an <i>Exam Counseling Form</i> . After completing the form, the student will take it to their course professor for exam counseling. The faculty member and student will discuss and plan remediation as deemed necessary based on information on the <i>Exam Counseling Form</i> and that provided by the student. Exam counseling is available for all students by appointment only. For all test counseling sessions, only one test will be reviewed during each session, and MUST BE prior to the next exam in that course.
Progression:	Each student must successfully pass this course and all of the first semester courses in order to progress to the second semester. Please refer to the Grayson College Vocational Nursing Program Student Handbook.
Course Attendance:	Academic success is closely associated with regular classroom attendance

	and course participation. Attendance is attending the complete time from start to finish of each course meeting. Attendance is mandatory in all scheduled classes and clinical. Absences place students in academic jeopardy. If absent, progress and continuation in the course may be at risk. Students who anticipate missing one or more class periods should contact the Professor ahead of time, just as they should contact their Professor as soon as possible after an absence. Students are responsible for monitoring their absences during the semester.
	The director may place a student on probation or withdraw a student from a nursing theory (non-clinical) course due to excessive absences and assign a grade of W (Withdrawn) if the student is absent more than 2 theory days per course or per course syllabus. Theory absences cannot be made up.
Tardiness:	A tardy is less than 5 minutes late after scheduled time. Tardiness of greater than 5 minutes in a scheduled nursing course will be counted as one absence. Three tardies equal one absence.
Exam Day Absences:	A student that misses an exam must make an appointment with the Course Professor. Make-up exams are not automatic. Make-up exams will be at the discretion of the Program Coordinator and/or the Course Professor.
Special Needs Students:	Students with special needs should contact the Disability Services Coordinator no later than the first week of classes, but as soon as possible. Please refer to the 2020-2021 Grayson College Catalog.
Scans Competencies:	Refer to Appendix A
Student Rights:	The Nursing Department ascribes to and follows the policy established by Grayson College and located in the <i>Grayson College Student Handbook</i> and the <i>Grayson College Policy and Procedure Manual</i> (Policy FL local) located on the college website at www.grayson.edu. Students shall be free to make use of the established appeal procedures without fear of prejudice, discrimination, restraint, coercion or reprisal of any nature. A formal grievance procedure (Policy FL local) is available if a student believes unfair treatment has occurred. The procedure followed during the appeal process shall give full cognizance to due process. The purpose of this policy is to secure at the lowest possible level, prompt and equitable resolution of complaints, including those alleging discrimination (race, religion, color, gender, age, national origin, or handicapping condition), unfair academic treatment, or interference with the peaceful exercise of first amendment rights.
	The student should first meet with the course professor and then, if unable to resolve the differences, should file a written appeal to the Director of Nursing in accordance with the grievance procedure. Whenever meeting with faculty or administrative personnel, students have the right to waive their privacy rights and request the presence of an additional person of their choice.
Disclaimer:	GC is not responsible for illness/injury that occurs during the normal course of classroom/lab/clinical experiences.
Course Instructor:	Amanda Green-Chancy, RN Office hours: As posted Email: <u>greenchancya@grayson.edu</u> Office: 903-415-2513

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#### VNSG 1304 Foundations of Nursing Course Schedule

#### Class meets on Tuesdays, 8:30am - 11:45 am except as noted below

Tuesday, August 25:	Tuesday, October 20: Fall Break
Unit 1: VN Adjustment and VN Concepts	
Tuesday, September 1:	Tuesday, October 27: Unit 5, cont'd: Legal/Ethical
Unit 2: Communication	
Wednesday, September 9:	Tuesday, November 3: 8:30am – EXAM 3
Unit 3: Documentation	<b>(Legal/Ethical)</b> 9:30am – 11:50am: Unit 6: Holistic Nursing
Tuesday, September 15: 8:30am: EXAM 1	Tuesday, November 10:
(VN Adjustments, Concepts, Communication) 9:30am – 11:50am: Unit 3 cont'd: Documentation	Unit 7: Cultural Nursing Work on Group Presentations
Tuesday, September 22: Unit 4: Nursing Process	Tuesday, November 17: Culture/Communication Presentations
Unit 4. Nursing Process	
Tuesday, September 29:	Tuesday, November 24: 8:30am : EXAM 4
Unit 4, cont'd: Nursing Process	(Culture, Holistic)
	Culture / Communication Presentations
Tuesday, October 6:	Wednesday, December 2: Culture/Communication Presentations
Unit 4, cont'd: Nursing Process	
Tuesday, October 13: 8:30am – EXAM 2 (Documentation, Nursing Process) 9:30am – 11:50am Unit 5: Legal/Ethical	<u>Wednesday,</u> December 9: 9:00am FINAL EXAM

Notice: These descriptions and timelines are subject to change at the discretion of the Professor.

#### VNSG 1304 Unit I Vocational Nursing Student Adjustment

	Objective	Content	Learning Activities
As	sessment	A. Defining new role as the	
1.	Determine your personal and academic needs as a new vocational nursing student.	vocational nursing student. a. Your current expectations b. Understanding	<b>Required Reading prior to class</b> : Kurzen, Chapter 1, 2
		adjustments c. VN program structure:	Assignments:
		lecture, lab, clinical, courses	Create a stress index and then list ways you can maintain physical and mental health during your education to become a nurse,
2.	Determine your best learning	B. Learning theory	
3.	Style. Explain what is meant by critical thinking.	<ul> <li>a. Major learning styles</li> <li>b. Applying your learning style</li> </ul>	Determine learning style and actively use this method to retain information during the semester.
4.	Determine strengths & weak-	d. Self-assessment	
_	nesses	e. Critical thinking:	Created methods from test-taking
5.	Determine your learning style to increase your learning and retention.	Definition, developing, applying, characteristic of	theory and implement for exams this semester.
6.	Identify your role in maintaining physical and mental health as a student	<ul> <li>f. Personal strengths &amp; Weaknesses</li> <li>g. Test-taking: Preparedness/study habits, strategies</li> </ul>	Create at time management plan/tool for home, school, family, social and recreational activities for this semester.
		C. Maintaining physical and mental health	Actively use resources on Canvas and ATI this semester
		<ul> <li>a. Human needs: Maslow</li> <li>b. Physical health and</li> </ul>	
		well being c. Emotional health d. Understanding yourself e. Chemical dependency f. Prejudice	
		g. Stress, stress index	
	nning		
5. 6	Use organizational skills for notes and planning.	D. Time and Organizational Management	
6.	Incorporate components of classroom learning.	<ul><li>a. Scheduling time</li><li>b. Time management</li></ul>	
7.	Explain the difference between classroom and clinical	c. Organizing and planning	
8.	learning. Use your understanding of learning styles to increase your learning and retention.	<ul> <li>E. Classroom Instruction</li> <li>a. Lectures, listening taking notes</li> <li>b. Studying</li> <li>c. Computerized learning</li> </ul>	

	<ul> <li>d. Audiovisual</li> <li>e. Reading assignments</li> <li>f. Using references</li> <li>g. Writing assignments</li> <li>h. Using other resources</li> <li>i. Using internet &amp; BB</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Implementation/Evaluation</li> <li>8. Design achievable &amp; measure- able goal specific to individual needs.</li> <li>9. Create schedule specific to Individual needs that includes Study time, personal time, family and recreational time.</li> <li>10.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>F. Goal setting for success.</li> <li>a. Define goals</li> <li>b. Determine needs</li> <li>c. Why to set goals</li> <li>d. How to set goals</li> <li>e. How to achieve goals</li> <li>f. Setting the goals</li> <li>g. Creating a weekly schedule</li> </ul>	
<ol> <li>Evaluation</li> <li>Evaluate the effectiveness of measures taken to succeed In nursing school.</li> <li>Determine what changes, if any, need to be made.</li> </ol>	G. Complete assignments and evaluate using timeline given by instructor.	

# VNSG 1304 Unit 1 continued Vocational Nursing Concepts

Objective	Content	Learning Activities
1. Identify the history from	A. Evolution of Vocational	<b>-</b>
which vocational nursing	Nursing:	Required Reading prior to
began.	B. Defining Present Day	class:
	Nursing	deWit, Chapters 1,2
2. Define the present day role	a. Wellness Promotion	Complete study questions at end
of the vocational nurse.	<ul> <li>b. Prevention of illness</li> </ul>	of chapters 1, 2.
	<ul> <li>b. Facilitation of coping</li> </ul>	Kurzen, Chapters 6,7, 8
	c. Restoration of Health	
	C. Framework of Practice:	
3. Define the present day frame	a. American Nurses	
work of practice for the	Association (ANA)	
vocational nurse.	b. Standards of	
	Nursing Practice	Assignment:
	D. Nursing Education	
4. Identify the educational ladder	Pathways	Students will discuss individual
That is available to nurses.	a. Practical Nursing	perception of nursing and reason
	b. Registered Nursing	for entering into this profession.
5 Deinsinles of Quality	c. Advanced Practice	
5. Principles of Quality	Nursing	Class discussion on the scope of
Improvement.	E. Delivery of Nursing Care	vocational nursing practice.
6. Explain how a health main-	a. Functional Nursing	
tenance organization and a preferred provider organi-	b. Team Nursing c. Primary Nursing	
zation differ.	F. Practice Settings	
	a. Hospital	Discuss ways in which the body
7. Relate how the managed	b. Long-term Care	maintains homeostasis.
health system has affected	c. Home Health	maintains nomeostasis.
your own health care.	d. Infection Control	Class discussion:
your own nound outor	e. Quality Improvement	Areas in our society which teach
8. Differentiate traditional and	G. Today's Health Care	both health promotion and illness
current views of the meanings	a. HMO's	prevention
of health and illness.	b. PPO's	P
	c. Managed Care	
	H. Concepts of Health &	
	Illness	
9. Discuss reasons why the	a. health	
vocational nurse needs to be	b. illness	
aware of any cultural,	1. acute	
educational, and social	2. chronic	
differences that might exist	3. terminal	
between themselves and their	4. primary	
	5. secondary	
	6. idiopathic	
	I. Stages of Illness	
	a. transition	
	b. acceptance	
10. Identify the areas of human	c. convalescence	
needs and give an example	J. Consumer's Concept of	
within each level of needs.	Health & Illness	
11 List the components of balistic	<ul> <li>K. Holistic Approach</li> <li>a. defined</li> </ul>	
11. List the components of holistic		

health care.	<ul> <li>b. Maslow's Theory</li> <li>L. Homeostasis <ul> <li>a. adaptation</li> <li>b. effects of stress</li> </ul> </li> <li>M. Health Promotion/Illness <ul> <li>Prevention</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
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#### VNSG 1304 Unit II The Role of the Vocational Nurse in Communication

Objective	Content	Learning Activities
Assessment:	A. Communication Process	Required Reading prior to class:
1. Describe common communi-	a. verbal	deWit, Chapter 8.
cation needs in the health-	b. non-verbal	Complete study questions at end of
care setting.	B. Factors Affecting	chapter 8.
	Communication	Kurzen, Chapter 3
Diagnosis/Analysis:	a. cultural differences	
1. List barriers to communication.	b. past experience	
	c. emotions/mood	
Planning:	d. attitude	Assignment:
1. Describe components of the	C. Communication Skills	
communication process.	a. active listening	
	b. interpreting non-verbal	Class discussion comparing
2. List factors that influence the	messages	effective communication
way a person communicates.	c. obtaining feedback	techniques with blocks to
0. Otata the immediate of	d. focusing	communication.
3. State the importance of	e. adjusting style	
communication in the	D. Therapeutic Communication	
collaborative process.	a. silence	
Implementation	b. open-ended questions	
Implementation: 1. Identify ways to delegate	c. restating	
effectively.	d. clarifying e. touch	Required Ungraded Assignment:
enectively.	f. general leads	Dates To Be Announced
	g. offering of self	Group presentations of each of the
Evaluation:	h. encouraging elaboration	therapeutic communication
1. Describe the difference	i. giving information	techniques.
between a therapeutic nurse-	j. looking at alternatives	
client relationship and a	k. summarizing	
social relationship.	E. Blocks to Therapeutic	
	Communication	
2. List guidelines for effective	a. changing the subject	
communication with a physician	b. false reassurance	
by telephone.	c. giving advice	
.,	d. defensiveness	
	e. prying	
	f. using cliché's	
	g. inattentive listening	
	F. Interviewing Skills	
	G. Nurse-Client Relationship	
	a. rapport	
	b. empathy	
	c. becoming non-	
	judgmental	
	d. maintaining hope	
	H. Application of Nursing	
	Process	
	I. Communication in Difficult	
	Circumstances	
	a. hearing impaired	
	b. elderly	

	c. children d. different cultures J. Communication within the Health Care Team a. end of shift report b. physician/nurses/OT/PT c. delegation	
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#### VNSG 1304 Unit III Nursing Documentation

Objective	Content	Learning Activities
Assessment: 1. Identify purposes of documentation.	A. Documentation of Nursing Care.	<b>Required Reading prior to class:</b> deWit, Chapter 7.
<b>Diagnosis/ Analysis:</b> 1. List the legal guidelines for recording on medical records	<ul> <li>a. purpose</li> <li>b. components</li> <li>c. nursing process</li> <li>d. medical record</li> </ul>	Complete study questions at end of chapter.
Planning/ Implementation:	B. Charting Process a. accuracy	Class discussion on confidentiality
<ol> <li>Correlate the nursing process with the process of charting.</li> </ol>	b. brevity c. completeness	of medical records.
2. List the legal guidelines for recording on medical records.	<ul><li>d. content</li><li>C. Methods</li><li>a. source-oriented/narrative</li></ul>	Practice on narrative charting for physical assessment class
<ul> <li>Evaluation:</li> <li>1. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of computerized and paper charting.</li> </ul>	charting b. problem-oriented medical record charting c. charting by exception d. case management system charting	

#### VNSG 1304 Unit IV NURSING PROCESS

	Objective	Content	Learning Activities
	•	A. Overview of the Nursing	Required Reading prior to class:
1.	Explain the use of the nursing	Process and Critical Thinking	deWit, Chapters 4, 5, 6.
	process.	a. assessment	
		b. diagnosis	Complete study questions at end of
		c. planning	chapters 4, 5, 6.
2.	Identify the components of the	d. implementation	
	Nursing process.	e. evaluation	Assignment:
		B. Critical Thinking	Class discussion on use of critical
3.	Define "Critical Thinking".	a. Problem solving and	thinking skills for a vocational
		decision making b. Skills for critical thinking	nurse in a health care setting.
		c. Critical thinking in nursing	Class discussion on ways to
4.	Explain the basic principles of	c. Chica uninking in huising	improve critical thinking skills.
ч.	setting priorities for nursing	C. Priority Setting and Work	
	care.	Organization	
1		D. Application of Problem Solving	Class participation in exercise
5.	List factors to be considered	and Critical Thinking	correlating client problems with
	when setting priorities.	E. Assessment	nursing diagnoses from NANDA.
As	sessment:	a. data base	
1.	Identify purpose & sources of	<ul> <li>b. objective data</li> </ul>	Class discussion: How the
	assessment.	<ul> <li>c. subjective data/interview</li> </ul>	evaluation process correlates with
	gnosis:	d. focused assessment	expected outcomes.
1.	Identify appropriate outcome	e. chart review	
	criteria for selected nursing	F. Nursing Diagnosis	Assignment:
	diagnoses.	a. North American Nursing	Write a care plan for a designated
Dia	nning	Diagnosis Association	medical diagnosis TBA.
	nning: Identify factors to consider in	(NANDA) b. etiologic factors	
1.	planning for client care.	c. prioritization of problems	
	planning for elicit care.		
		G. Planning	
Imp	plementation:	a. expected outcomes	
1.	Identify factors to consider in	b. long term goals	
	implementing the plan of care.	c. short term goals	
		H. Implementation	
1		a. considerations	
2.	List the Standard Steps	b. collaborative care	
	commonly carried out for all	c. implementing care	
1	nursing procedures.	I. Documentation	
		J. Evaluation of the Nursing	
	aluation:	Process	
1.	Identify the steps a nurse	K. Revision	
	uses to evaluate care given.		
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#### VNSG 1304 Unit V The Role of the Vocational Nurse with Standards of Practice (Legal/Ethical)

#### VNSG 1304 Unit VI The Role of the Vocational Nurse in Holistic Nursing

	Objective	Content	Learning Activities
			Required Reading prior to class:
1. 2.	Define "holistic nursing." Define each component of	<ul> <li>A. Holistic Nursing</li> <li>a. biological</li> <li>b. psychological</li> </ul>	deWit, Chapter 2.
3.	holistic nursing. Identify the five areas of	c. sociological d. spiritual	Complete study questions at end of chapter.
3.	Identify the five areas of human needs and give an example within each level of need.	<ul> <li>B. Role of the vocational nurse in holistic nursing</li> <li>C. Prioritizing Maslow's Theory <ul> <li>a. physiologic needs</li> <li>b. security and belonging</li> <li>c. self-esteem and love</li> <li>d. self-actualization</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Assignment: Class discussion on Maslow's hierarchy of needs and how they affect the ill client.

#### VNSG 1304 Unit VII The Role of the Vocational Nurse in Relating to Various Cultures

Objective	Content	Learning Activities
		Required Reading prior to class:
Objective         Assessment:         1. Identify reasons the vocational nurse should consider cultural background in determining care of .         2. Identify resources available in Caring for / from Various cultural backgrounds.	<ul> <li>A. Cultural Influences on Concepts of Health/Illness and nursing care <ul> <li>a. The concept of caring</li> <li>b. Cultural Characteristics</li> <li>c. Ethnic Characteristics</li> <li>d. Language</li> <li>e. Race</li> <li>f. Aging</li> <li>g. Views on Childbearing</li> <li>h. Religion</li> <li>i. Views on pain</li> <li>j. Views on nutrition</li> <li>k. Views on death</li> <li>l. Views on mourning</li> <li>m. Cultural assessment</li> <li>n. Care of the mentally ill</li> <li>o. Single parents</li> <li>p. Homosexual</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Learning ActivitiesRequired Reading prior to class:deWit, Chapter 2, pp 15-17, Chapter 14Complete study questions at end of chapterKurzen, Chapter 9Assignment: Class discussion on why the vocational nurse needs to be aware of any cultural, educational, and social differences that might 
	<ul><li>I. Views on mourning</li><li>m. Cultural assessment</li><li>n. Care of the mentally ill</li><li>o. Single parents</li></ul>	exist between themselves and their clients.  Required Ungraded Assignment:

Grayson College Vocational Nursing Program Appendix A SCANS Competencies VNSG 1304 Course Evaluation Tool

#### Grayson College Vocational Nursing Program VNSG 1304 SCANS Competencies

The course VNSG 1304 assists the students to complete the following competencies by providing scientific theory as a foundation for nursing care of clients.

Workplace Competencies:

- Interpersonal skills: Works within the health care team; communicates with clients, families, staff
- Information: Acquires data on clients, organize data through prioritization, interpret client data with help of the clinical instructor

Foundation Skills:

- Basic skills: Reads information on clients, calculate medication dosages, speak and listen to clients, families, other members of the health care team
- Thinking skills: Uses the nursing process which is a problem solving model to plan nursing care at a beginning level
- Personal qualities: Assumes responsibility for assigned clients; performs as a member of a profession

Resources:

- Manages time: Sets goals for clients and attempts to reach goals during shift
- Manages materials: Practices cost effectiveness in a health care facility

Interpersonal:

- Participates as a member of a team: Works with members of the health care team to provide holistic client care
- Teaches others: Provides basic teaching for clients and families
- Serves clients: Provides holistic nursing care to assigned clients
- Exercises leadership: Communicates needs to instructor or primary care nurse during assigned shift; seeks help when needed
- Negotiates to arrive at a decision: Seeks the advice of experienced nurses when a decision needs to be made
- Works with cultural diversity: Provides care to men, women, and people of various culture

Information:

- Acquires and evaluates data: Gathers data on clients and evaluates data under the supervision of an instructor; evaluates physical assessment data
- Organizes data: Completes database and records on required clinical paperwork
- Interprets and communicates data: Reports significant findings to registered nurse
- Understands systems: Becomes familiar with long-term care clients.
- Monitors and corrects performance: Distinguishes between the type of care given between longterm and acute care systems

Technology:

- Applies technology to task: Operates basic facility equipment such as beds, intercom systems, telephones, oxygen equipment, equipment used for vital signs
- Maintains and troubleshoots technology: Reports malfunctioning equipment