FORS - FORENSIC HEALTHCARE

FORS 601/NURS 601 Foundations of Forensic Healthcare
Credits 2. 2 Lecture Hours.
Legal, ethical, clinical and advocacy responsibilities of responders and providers; forensic medical terminology; mechanisms of injury and death; identification of intentional and non-intentional wounds; scientific and medico-legal investigation of suspicious injury and death; introduction to written and photographic documentation of findings; judicial system overview.
Prerequisite: Graduate classification; or approval of instructor.
Cross Listing: NURS 601/FORS 601.

FORS 602/NURS 602 Victimology: Clinical Implications and Applications
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Comprehensive examination of human responses to victimization resulting in physical and psychological trauma; interpersonal violence as a public health issue; overview of intentional injury, neglect, abuse and exploitation throughout the lifespan; process of seeking justice for victims; characteristics and motivational issues related to perpetrators of violence; transitioning patterns from role of victim to survivor including secondary effects of victimization; theoretical and evidence-based approaches to assessment; documentation of victims and perpetrators of violence.
Prerequisites: Graduate classification; NURS 601/FORS 601 or FORS 601/NURS 601; or approval of instructor.
Cross Listing: NURS 602/FORS 602.

FORS 603/NURS 603 Impact of Violence Across the Lifespan
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
In-depth analysis of the role of the multidisciplinary team within the criminal and civil court systems; critical collaboration between representatives of the health care system, investigative systems and the legal system in seeking justice for victims of violence; civil investigative processes involving trauma, injury and death; methods of evidence collection and preservation; public health perspective of interpersonal violence and prevention; social-ecological model of primary prevention; factors placing individuals at risk for violence; batterer/anti-bullying intervention programs.
Prerequisites: Grade of B or better in NURS 601/FORS 601 or FORS 601/NURS 601; or approval of instructor.
Cross Listing: NURS 603/FORS 603.

FORS 604/NURS 604 Forensic Investigation of Injury
Credits 2. 2 Lecture Hours. 1 Lab Hour.
Injury pathology, across the lifespan; classifications and mechanisms of injury; intentional and unintentional injuries; physiology of wound healing; documentation of injury.
Prerequisites: Grade of B or better in NURS 601/FORS 601 or FORS 601/NURS 601; or approval of instructor.
Cross Listing: NURS 604/FORS 604.
FORS 615/NURS 615 Forensic Mental Health
Credit 1. 1 Lecture Hour.
Mental health issues related to victimization and perpetration; forensic mental health professional roles; diminished capacity and competence to stand trial; addiction and crime; current issues in forensic mental health. 
Prerequisite: NURS 601/FORS 601 or FORS 601/NURS 601 or concurrent enrollment; or approval of instructor. 
Cross Listing: NURS 615/FORS 615.