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| Policy: | CORE PERFORMA | CORE PERFORMANCE STANDARDS | | | | |
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| | Requirements | Standards | Examples include but are not limited to | | | |
| | Critical Thinking Skills | Critical thinking ability for effective clinical reasoning and clinical judgment consistent with level of educational preparation. | Initiate, evaluate, and update the plan of care. Organize workload to manage time effectively; prioritize the delivery of client care. Use resources effectively to understand the evidence, context of situations, and perspectives (their own and others) in order to make logical and informed decisions. | | | |
| | Interpersonal Skills | Interpersonal skills sufficient for professional interactions with a diverse population of individuals, families and groups. | Maintain client confidentiality/privacy. Establish professional and ethical relationships with others; seek assistance when needed. Ability to accept constructive criticism (respectively listening, avoid jumping to conclusions or making judgments). Display accountability and personal integrity understanding that student behavior impacts others. Ability to delegate appropriately. Ability to respond to stress and adapt to changing environments inherent in clinical practice; particularly anger, frustration, and excitement appropriately. Ability to operate in different cultural settings. | | | |
| | Communication Skills | | Explain treatments, procedures, initiate health teaching, and verify client consents to care. Document and interpret nursing actions and client responses. Engage in successful conflict resolution and advocate for client's rights and needs. | | | |

| | | Effectively communicate with coworkers, clients, and members of the interdisciplinary team. Provide and receive report on assigned clients. Use therapeutic communication techniques to provide support. |
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| Psychomotor Skills | Psychomotor skills sufficient for providing safe, effective nursing care. | Move about client's room and/or workspaces to complete client assessment or promote circulation (ROM, positioning) Administer rescue procedurescardiopulmonary resuscitation. Demonstrate the ability to work for long periods of time. Calibration and use of equipment safely. Perform procedures necessary to safely admit, transfer, or discharge a client; such as from the chair to the bed safely. Prepare and administer medications and/or treatments. Perform basic skills (Foley, tube feedings, maintain orthopedic devices, perform post-mortem care) |
| Assessment Skills | Assessment skills sufficient for providing safe, effective nursing care. | Ability to perform targeted screening assessments (e.g., vision, hearing, nutrition). Ability to respond to client distress calls. Ability to observe client's condition and responses to treatments. Assess a client's condition. Read and interpret physician's orders. Read monitors, medication labels, and other equipment accurately. Ability to palpate in physical examinations and various therapeutic interventions. |

Reasonable Accommodations

If an applicant or student self-reports that he or she cannot meet one or more of the core performance standards without accommodations, the nursing program, in consultation with the Student Access Office, will determine what accommodations can

reasonably be made. Applicants and students are responsible for making disabilities known and formally seeking accommodations.

According to the SREB Council on Collegiate Education for Nursing Education the following are examples of reasonable accommodations.

- Assuring that university facilities are readily accessible for use by individuals with disabilities
- Restructuring or altering clinical experiences
- Modifying academic program plans
- Modifying examinations including location, timing and testing conditions
- Giving supplementary learning materials
- Providing qualified readers or interpreters

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), VSU does not base admission, acceptance or continued enrollment on the following core performance standards. Instead, the standards are used to assist applicants and students in the determination of need for ADA related accommodations. The core performance standards are intended to constitute an objective measure of:

- 1. A qualified applicant's ability with or without accommodations to meet the program performance requirements.
- 2. Accommodation required by a matriculated student who seeks accommodations under the ADA.

ADA STATEMENT Students requesting classroom and/or clinical accommodation or modifications because of a documented disability should contact the Access Office for Students with Disabilities located in Farbar Hall. The numbers are 245-2498 (voice) and 219-1348 (tty).

Website: https://www.valdosta.edu/student/disability/forms/workplace-environment.php

Purpose:

To meet the requirements of the nursing program, or to progress in the nursing curriculum, each student must be able to provide safe, competent and responsible care.

Procedure:

- 1. Students submit documentation of meeting core performance standards in the in the required Physical Examination paperwork.
- 2. This documentation is required during new student orientation (first semester).
- 3. Documentation of this is uploaded by students into Immunization Tracker