NEOSHO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
MASTER COURSE SYLLABUS

COURSE IDENTIFICATION

Course Code/Number: ALHE 122
Course Title: Introduction to Pharmacology

Division: □ Applied Science (AS) □ Liberal Arts (LA) □ Workforce Development (WD)
□ Health Care (HC) □ Lifetime Learning (LL) □ Nursing □ Developmental

Credit Hour(s): Three (3)
Effective Date: Fall 2013
Assessment Goal Per Outcome: 75%

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is designed for the individual interested in becoming more knowledgeable in pharmacology. The course will discuss basic concepts of drug therapy and will concentrate on major drug classifications, and body systems.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS/PREREQUISITES AND/OR COREQUISITES

None

TEXTS

The official list of textbooks and materials for this course is found on Inside NC.

http://www.neosho.edu/ProspectiveStudents/Registration/CourseSyllabi.aspx

GENERAL EDUCATION OUTCOMES

1. Practice Responsible Citizenship through:
   • identifying rights and responsibilities of citizenship,
• identifying how human values and perceptions affect and are affected by social diversity,
• identifying and interpreting artistic expression.

2. Live a healthy lifestyle (physical, intellectual, social) through:
• listing factors associated with a healthy lifestyle and lifetime fitness,
• identifying the importance of lifetime learning,
• demonstrating self-discipline, respect for others, and the ability to work collaboratively as a team.

3. Communicate effectively through:
• developing effective written communication skills,
• developing effective oral communication and listening skills.

4. Think analytically through:
• utilizing quantitative information in problem solving,
• utilizing the principles of systematic inquiry,
• utilizing various information resources including technology for research and data collection.

COURSE OUTCOMES/COMPETENCIES (as Required)

The course will contain information on drug therapy from the classification of the drugs. This will enable the allied health student to:

1. Differentiate in drug classification and how medications affect the body systems.
2. Define and identify classification, routes of administration, actions, uses, effects, & interactions of major drug groups including prescription and over the counter medications.
3. Identify legal, ethical, and economic aspects of drug therapy.

COURSE COMPETENCIES

At the completion of the course, the student will be able to:

1. Evaluate each drug classification and be able to identify interactions with other drugs, nutrients, and over–the-counter drugs.
2. Identify major drug classifications, their intended uses, and specific side effects.

MINIMUM COURSE CONTENT

See printed schedule for semester.

STUDENT REQUIREMENTS AND METHOD OF EVALUATION

INSTRUCTIONAL METHODS

Classroom

NA- Course reading, handouts, forums, exams and project.
Teaching Facilities
On-Line

STUDENT REQUIREMENTS

Forums, exams, quizzes, and any homework assigned.

GRADING SCALE

A=90-100%  B=80-89%  C=70-79%  D=60-69%  F=60% or less

ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT GAIN

The purpose of assessing student learning at Neosho County Community College is to ensure the educational purposes of the institution are met and appropriate changes are made in program development and classroom instruction to allow for student success.

Pre- and post tests will be administered to determine student gain or lack thereof. Both student and instructor will analyze student gain at the conclusion of the course.

Attendance Policy

1. NCCC values interactive learning which promotes student engagement in the learning process. To be actively engaged, the student must be present in the learning environment.

2. Unless students are participating in a school activity or are excused by the instructor, they are expected to attend class. If a student’s absences exceed one-eighth of the total course duration, (which equates to one hundred (100) minutes per credit hour in a face-to-face class) the instructor has the right, but is not required, to withdraw a student from the course. Once the student has been dropped for excessive absences, the registrar’s office will send a letter to the student, stating that he or she has been dropped. A student may petition the chief academic officer for reinstatement by submitting a letter stating valid reasons for the absences within one week of the registrar’s notification. If the student is reinstated into the class, the instructor and the registrar will be notified. Please refer to the Student Handbook/Academic Policies for more information

3. Absences that occur due to students participating in official college activities are excused except in those cases where outside bodies, such as the State Board of Nursing, have requirements for minimum class minutes for each student. Students who are excused will be given reasonable opportunity to make up any missed work or receive substitute assignments from the instructor and should not be penalized for the absence. Proper procedure should be followed in notifying faculty in advance of the student’s planned participation in the event. Ultimately it is the student’s responsibility to notify the instructor in advance of the planned absence.
ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

NCCC expects every student to demonstrate ethical behavior with regard to academic pursuits. Academic integrity in coursework is a specific requirement. Definitions, examples, and possible consequences for violations of Academic Integrity, as well as the appeals process, can be found in the College Catalog, Student Handbook, and/or Code of Student Conduct and Discipline.

ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY

Student cell phones and other personal electronic devices not being used for class activities must not be accessed during class times unless the instructor chooses to waive this policy.

NOTE:
Information and statements in this document are subject to change at the discretion of NCCC. Students will be notified of changes and where to find the most current approved documents.

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

The following link provides information related to the non-discrimination policy of NCCC, including persons with disabilities. Students are urged to review this policy.

http://www.neosho.edu/Departments/NonDiscrimination.aspx

COURSE NOTES

On-line Classes: Please note that on-line classes in which exams are open for a number of days will be different than that of a traditional classroom setting absence where there is only one opportunity for class participation at one specific time of the day.