## NURS 4437: Medical-Surgical Specialty Elective

## 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: NURS 3313

This elective course expands medical-surgical concepts in the curriculum to help students better understand specialty roles of nurses in selected medical-surgical settings. Emphasis is placed on applying knowledge using the nursing process to guide clinical practice and in providing safe, patient-centered care in the selected medical-surgical specialty setting. Students explore physiological and behavioral responses, interdisciplinary care, ethics, survivorship, and emerging technologies and trends.

# NURS 4438: Transforming Nursing Leadership

## 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: NURS 3209

This course focuses on the use and understanding of nursing personal influence and power within organizational dynamics from environmental, psychological and relational perspectives. The dynamic relationship between nursing leadership, gender, power, knowledge, social forces and individual healthcare agency are explored. Students learn ways to create a shared collaborative nursing leadership vision within organizational culture.

## NURS 4440: Palliative and End of Life Care

## **3 Credit Hours**

Prerequisite: NURS 3313 or Registered Nurse status.

This course is an exploration of the physical, psychological, social, spiritual, and ethical issues surrounding care of persons in need of comfort, palliation, and excellent end-of-life care. The course employs the End of Life Nursing Education Consortium standards and guidelines as a framework for learning.

# **NURS 4490: Special Topics in Nursing**

## 1-3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

Selected special or currents topics of general interest to nursing faculty and students