



DEPARTMENT OF NURSING
NGU6400 – TRENDS & ISSUES IN NURSING
ACADEMIC YEAR 2020/21
FINAL EXAMINATION

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**PART B – SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS
(40 MARKS)**

All four (04) questions are compulsory. Write answers within the space provided.

Question No: 01 **(10 Marks)**

1.1 Name four (04) steps of the issue process. (04 Marks)

- (i)
- (ii)
- (iii)
- (iv)

1.2 List two (02) practical techniques for a successful outcome after applying of the Issue Process. (02 Marks)

- (i)
- (ii)

1.3 Write two (02) reasons for emerging an issue within nursing. (04 Marks)

- (i)
- (ii)

Question No: 02 **(10 Marks)**

Nursing Informatics (NI) is the application of computer science and information science to nursing. Successful implementation of Nursing Informatics into Sri Lankan Nursing context is a current need.

2.1 Identify five (05) nursing practice areas in which Nursing Informatics could be successfully implemented in the Sri Lankan nursing context? (05 Marks)

- (i)
- (ii)
- (iii)

(iv)

(v)

2.2 Write Five (05) advantages of using electronic health records. (05 Marks)

(i)

(ii)

(iii)

(iv)

(v)

Question No: 03 (10 Marks)

Development of nursing research culture has led to better delivery of patient care as well as improvement of patients' quality of life.

3.1 List two (02) current trends in nursing research? (02 Marks)

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(ii)

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3.2 Why is clinical research important in nursing? (03 Marks)

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3.3 What is EBP (Evidence Based Practice) in nursing? (05 Marks)

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Question No: 04 (10 Marks)

Health care environment has shifted to a model of collaborative practice where the nurse is a valued member and the client and his or her family are viewed as the center of the model.

4.1 Nurses' ability to work collaboratively is important in an inter-professional team. Identify **five (05)** skills required for nurses to function as a designated leader. (05 Marks)

- (i)
- (ii)
- (iii)
- (iv)
- (v)

4.2 Describe briefly the role of a nurse in relation to peers within collaborative practice (05 Marks)

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Part C – Structured Essay
Questions (30 Marks)

There are six (06) questions. Select two (02) and answer in the spaces provided in the paper. (15 Marks for each question)

- (01) Emerging technologies will drastically change the practice of nursing in future. Discuss the impact of technological advancement on nursing practice giving two (02) examples.

- (02) Describe the impact of values on interpretations of an issue by different individuals giving an example from your practice setting as a nurse.

- (03) Nurses are essential to maintain an efficient healthcare system in a disaster. For that all nurses must have sufficient knowledge and skills in disaster management. What is the role of a nurse in a disaster?

- (04) Nurse navigators are specially trained nurses who help, guide, educate and coordinate patients through the care process and act as a liaison between caregivers and physicians. Describe the key principles associated with Nurse Navigator role.

- (05) In today's rapidly changing world, nurses need to be equipped with knowledge and skills to address many healthcare issues. Political activism is a way for nurses to become active in creating, influencing, and advocating for healthcare policy that will impact the health of patients, families, and communities. Describe how Sri Lankan nurse can politically active for today's health care issues in the country during this socio-economic crisis?

- (06) There are many possible fields that a nurse may choose to specialize in nursing. Describe why being specialized is best in nursing with two examples.