Number of credits: 3

Course Description: This course is designed to provide the student with an overview of medical law and ethics helping them to understand the multiple legal and ethical issues encountered in the healthcare setting.

Course Objectives: Upon completion of the course, the student should be able to:

- Describe similarities and differences between law and ethics.
- Describe criminal actions that relate to the healthcare worker.
- Describe conduct that may result in the loss of a license/certification for a healthcare professional.
- Describe the term "standard of care."
- Describe various types of medical malpractice.
- Define patient's rights and patient self-determination acts.
- Define differences between licensure and certification.
- Describe confidentiality and the patient's medical record.
- Describe ethical issues relating to life and death.

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Course Requirements:

- The student is expected to read the chapter.
- The student is expected to review the powerpoint slides.
- The student is expected to complete the chapter quizzes and exam.
- Once the quiz or test due date has passed, it will not be reopened.
- A comprehensive final exam will be completed at the conclusion of 17 chapters.
- A letter grade will be awarded upon the completion of the course.

Course Evaluation Method: Final grades will be based on 585 points in this course.

- 17 chapter quizzes worth 10 points each
- 4 chapter exams worth 60 points each
- Final exam worth 125 points

526 to 585 A = 90% 486 to 525 B = 80% 409 to 485 C = 70% 351 to 408 D = 60% 350 and below =FAIL

Academic Integrity: Respect for fellow students and the instructor is required. All students are expected to adhere to the highest standards of academic integrity. Dishonesty in the classroom or laboratory and with assignments, quizzes and exams is a serious offense and is subject to disciplinary action by the instructor and college administration. For more information, refer to the Student Handbook.

Disabilities and Special Needs: If you have a disability for which you need accommodations, you are encouraged to contact your instructor and the Learning Center (228-5479 or 1-888-918-5623) to request disability support services as early as possible during the beginning of the semester.