SPRINGFIELD TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

	Class/Lect.		Lab				
Course Number:	NUR 224	Hours:	15	Hours:	None	Credits: 1	Dept.: Nursing
Course Title:	Issues in Nursing 2				Semester: Spring	Year:	Updated 2019

Course Description, Prerequisite, Corequisite:

NUR-224 provides a collegial environment through which the student has an opportunity to critically analyze and debate pertinent issues in nursing and health care relevant to transition into professional practice. Issues in professional practices are addressed including quality initiatives, legal and ethical responsibilities, politics in nursing, and civility in the workplace. Practice frameworks are utilized to empower the student to advocate for safe, effective, equitable, and timely patient care.

Prerequisites: NUR-101, NUR-124, BIO-231, ENG-101, PSY-101, NUR-121, NUR-204, BIO-232, PSY-210, NUR-201, BIO-235, SOC-101.
Co-Requisites: NUR-221, ENG-102, Elective
(The College has **renumbered** and relabeled all courses. Consult with the Registrar's Office for questions regarding prior course numbers.)

Course Outcomes/Competencies

Course Outcomes: At the completion of NUR 121, the student will demonstrate Nursing Knowledge by achieving the following nursing competencies:

1. Demonstrates accountability for the delivery of standard-based care that is consistent with moral, altruistic, legal, ethical, regulatory and humanistic principles. (**Professionalism**).
2. Influences the behavior of individuals or groups of individuals within their environment in a way that will facilitate the establishment and acquisition/achievement of shared goals. (**Leadership**).
3. Demonstrates an awareness of and responsiveness to the larger context of the healthcare system, and demonstrates the ability to effectively call on work unit resources to provide care that is of optimal quality and value. (**Systems-Based Practice**)
4. Able to use advanced technology and to analyze as well as synthesize information and collaborate in order to make critical decisions that optimize patient outcomes. (**Informatics and Technology**).
5. Interacts effectively with patients, families and colleagues, fostering mutual respect and shared decision making, to enhance patient satisfaction and health outcomes. (**Communication**).
6. New language Functions effectively within nursing and interdisciplinary teams, fostering open communication, mutual respect, shared decision making, team learning and development. (**Teamwork and Collaboration**).
7. Uses data to monitor the outcomes of care processes, and uses improvement methods to design and test changes to continuously improve the quality and safety of healthcare systems. (**Quality Improvement**).