MORAVIAN COLLEGE

COURSE NO: Biology 205

COURSE TITLE: Pathophysiology

SEMESTER: Fall, 2008

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TEXTBOOKS:

Required:

Porth, C.M. (2007). Essentials of pathophysiology: concepts of altered health states (2nd ed). Philadelphia, PA: Lippincott, Williams, & Wilkins.

PREREQUISITES:

Biology 103 and 104

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Mechanisms of disease in humans. Emphasis is on dysfunction at cellular, tissue, and organ levels. Chemical, physical, and genetic stress factors are examined to understand how they affect human systems.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

By the conclusion of this course, the student will be able to:

- 1. Understand genetic, cellular, and tissue adaptive responses to stress and injury.
- 2. Recognize the etiology and pathogenesis of common diseases.
- 3. Discuss the natural history and clinical manifestation of common diseases.
- 4. Describe the relationship between pathophysiological processes and alterations in body structure and/or function.

TEACHING METHODS:

Lecture, discussion, select audiovisuals, case study analyses.

EVALUATION:

Course grades are based on the following numerical equivalencies:

A = 93-100 A- = 90-92.99 B+ = 87-89.99 B = 83-86.99 B- = 80-82.99 C+ = 77-79.99 C = 73-76.99 C- = 70-72.99 D+ = 67-69.99 D = 64-69.99 D- = 60-63.99 F = Below 60

Examinations:

All examinations will utilize items with four multiple choice responses. Only one response will be correct. This type of format will help to prepare the student to successfully take the nursing board examination (i.e., NCLEX-RN). Examinations include quizzes, a mid-term examination, and a final examination. The mid-term examination will test all course content covered from the beginning of the term, and the final examination will test all course content covered since the mid-term examination. Students will be allotted the entire class/testing period to take the mid-term and the final examinations. Quizzes will be given at the beginning of class, and will include 20 items. ALL students will be allotted 30 minutes to take the quizzes, beginning with the first minute of class. Lateness to class for ANY reason will not merit extra testing time. A total of seven quizzes will be administered, and the student may drop the lowest quiz grade. There will be no quiz makeups. Absence during a quiz for any reason, even verifiable illness or family emergency, will not merit a makeup.

Short Papers on Diseases:

Students will each submit two short papers over the course of the semester on diseases of their own choosing. These papers will focus on a disease, which may be either a common disease or an obscure disease, as long as the disease is not discussed in advance of paper submission in classroom lectures (refer to topical content to determine which diseases should be excluded). Any student who wishes to discuss selection of a disease with the course faculty is welcome to do so. These papers should follow the standard stylistic requirements for nursing majors, which utilizes style elements from the *American Psychological Association Manual (APA)* (5th edition). Group papers are not acceptable.

Papers must be submitted by the due date or the student will receive a zero for the assignment. Early submissions are very welcome.

Required elements of these papers include the following:

- 2-4 pages in length (standard 8.5" x 11" paper), not including the title page and references, using one inch margins, double-spaced, 12 point, Times New Roman font. Do not include an abstract. Papers that do not adhere to these requirements will not be reviewed nor accepted.
- Writing style and grammar (please utilize full sentences and paragraphs) 15%
- References: 2-4 peer-reviewed citations, not including sources that include *Wikipedia* and other non-reviewed sources. One source may be the textbook for this course.

Sections:

15%
15%
15%
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15%

Course Grades:

Quizzes (highest six of seven)	30%
Mid-Term Examination	25%
Final Examination	25%
Disease Papers (10% each)	20%

COURSE ATTENDANCE POLICY

Students are expected to attend class but will not merit extra points for class attendance, nor have points deducted for lack of attendance. Students are expected to read assigned textbook readings prior to class, and review relevant concepts from Anatomy and Physiology prior to class lectures. Students who are experiencing course-related difficulty should consult the course faculty in a timely and constructive manner.

ACADEMIC HONESTY

Academic honesty in all course-related assignments is an expectation of this course faculty. Students who plagiarize on papers will receive a zero for the paper assignment. Students who cheat on quizzes or other examinations will receive a zero for that assignment. Students who plagiarize or cheat will be prosecuted in accordance with policies outlined in the *Moravian College Student Handbook*.

COURSE OUTLINE

Date: Lecture Content and Student Assignments

August 26 Overview of Course

Introduction of Key Terms

Cellular adaptation, injury, & healing

Readings:

Porth, Chapter 2

August 28 Genes, gene-environment interaction, genetic anomalies

Readings:

Porth, Chapters 3 & 4

September 2 Oncogenesis, cancer clinical manifestations & treatment

Readings:

Porth, Chapter 5

September 4 Quiz #1

Hematopoeisis Hemostasis Coagulopathies

Readings:

Porth, p. 179-181, and Chapter 10

September 9 Anemias

Readings:

Porth, Chapter 11

September 11 Leukocytic and lymphoid disorders

Readings:

Porth, Chapter 9

September 16 Quiz #2

Immune responses and immune disorders

Readings:

Porth, Chapters 13 & 15

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September 18 Inflammatory responses

Readings:

Porth, Chapter 14

September 23 Clinical manifestations of infectious diseases and their treatment

Readings:

Porth, Chapter 12

September 25 Quiz #3

Cardiovascular disorders

Hypertension

Readings:

Porth, Chapters 16 & 17

September 30 Coronary artery disease

Readings:

Porth, Chapter 18

October 2 First Disease Paper Due

Heart failure

Readings:

Porth, Chapter 19

October 9 Female reproductive disorders

Menstrual disorders Breast disorders

Readings:

Porth, Chapter 39

October 14 Quiz #4

Male reproductive disorders Testicular and prostatic disorders

Readings:

Porth, Chapter 38

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October 16 Pulmonary disorders

Ventilation-perfusion mismatch Restrictive pulmonary diseases

Readings:

Porth, Chapters 20 & 21

October 21 MidTerm Examination

October 23 Obstructive pulmonary diseases

Readings:

Porth, Chapter 22

October 28 Renal disorders

Acid-base, fluid & electrolyte regulation

Readings:

Porth, Chapter 23

October 30 Quiz #5

Acute and chronic renal failure

Readings:

Porth, Chapter 25

November 4 Gastrointestinal disorders

Peptic ulcer disease

Inflammatory bowel diseases

Readings:

Porth, Chapters 27 & 28

November 6 Hepatobiliary and exocrine pancreatic disorders

Hepatitis & cirrhosis

Readings:

Porth, Chapter 29

November 11 Quiz #6

Musculoskeletal disorders

Bone fractures

Readings:

Porth, Chapters 41 & 42

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November 13 Rheumatic diseases

Readings:

Porth, Chapter 43

November 18 Second Disease Paper Due

Neurological disorders Somatosensory disorders

Nociception

Readings:

Porth, Chapters 33 & 34

November 20 Motor function disorders

Readings:

Porth, Chapter 35

November 25 Quiz #7

Brain function disorders

Disruption in thought and mood

Readings:

Porth, Chapter 36

December 2 Endocrine disorders

Thyroid disorders

Readings:

Porth, Chapters 30 & 31

December 4 Diabetes mellitus

Readings:

Porth, Chapter 32

December 9 Review Session