



HLT 116: Introduction to Healthcare

This course addresses the core competencies needed by all healthcare students regardless of the healthcare field they plan to pursue. Topics common to all healthcare professionals include current healthcare systems and trends, communication, infection control, environmental safety, ethical and legal responsibilities, control of healthcare costs, and professionalism in the workplace. Three lecture hours per week.

Course Student Learning Outcomes

1. Discuss the various health care professionals in the current health care delivery system. 2. Describe level of educational methods of credentials and licensing requirements of health care professions. 3. Describe the current health care systems and their trends. 4. Summarize the professional standards as they apply to hygiene, dress, language, confidentiality, and behavior. 5. Identify the rights and responsibilities of being a health care professional. 6. Understand religious and cultural values as they impact healthcare. 7. Describe legal and ethical responsibilities affecting the practice of health care professionals. 8. Recognize the principles of Infection Control, Environmental Safety and Emergency Preparedness. 9. Discuss the principles of healthy lifestyle management for patients and the health care worker. 10. Discuss the roles of the health care worker in controlling health care costs. 11. Identify records and files common to the healthcare setting. 12. Recognize technology applications in healthcare. 13. Recognize that to pursue a career in health care, students should think critically, and communicate effectively. 14. Recognize that quality health care depends on the ability to work well with others, and develop characteristics of an effective team member.

Credits: 3

Program: Health