VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF NURSING
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Cancer and Implications for Care
NURS 8077

Course Description
This course provides a comprehensive overview of cancer to include screening, diagnosis, staging, treatment and social determinants of care. Genomic applications in oncology are incorporated throughout the course to include diagnostic, prognostic, and therapeutic implications. Integration of palliative care and cancer survivorship are addressed. The focus of the course is clinical oncology within a personalized health care environment.

Total Credit Hours: 3 credit hours
Course Delivery Method: Asynchronous and online
Level: Graduate and doctoral students of any discipline, or via permission of instructor.
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Course Objectives:
At the end of the course, the student will be able to:
• Describe the screening guidelines, diagnostic techniques, and staging system for cancer.
• Analyze the multidisciplinary care model of oncology with local/regional and systemic treatments.
• Examine types of cancer to include solid tumors and liquid tumors.
• Recognize hereditary cancer syndromes.
• Explore genomic applications in cancer diagnosis, prognosis, and treatment.
• Appraise quality of life and symptoms associated with cancer care.
• Evaluate social determinants in oncology.
• Develop strategies to integrate palliative care and cancer survivorship into health care.