## NURS 401: Health Assessment

Health assessment is the evaluation of the health status of an individual along the health continuum. The purpose of the assessment is to establish where on the health continuum the individual is because this guides how to approach and treat the individual. Physical assessment skills complement the health history. Students will learn skills necessary to perform a comprehensive health assessment utilizing the skills of history taking, inspection, palpation, percussion, and auscultation of individuals across the lifespan. Includes ways to integrate normal assessment findings, health literacy, social determinants of health as well as frequently seen variations from normal and cultural differences. Students practice health assessment skills in laboratory and simulation.

Semester Hours 3.0 Prerequisites Admission to RN to BSN program.