

Family Psychiatric & Mental Health Theory

3 Credits

This course presents the theoretical basis for anatomical, biological and psychological aspects of advanced practice in psychiatric mental health nursing. Genetic, prenatal and experienced/environmental influences are explored in relation to their role in brain development and functions. Emphasis is placed on neurobiological theories of psychiatric disorders and developmental, family and psychodynamic processes. Introduction to theories, concepts and models relevant to the Family Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner's role in the care of persons with mental illnesses and populations at risk for mental illness are examined.

Pre/Corequisite: NURS 607