

**Course Syllabus**

**Geriatrics  
VNSG 1126**

**Course Description:** Overview of the physical, psychosocial, and cultural aspects of the aging process. Addresses disease processes of aging. Exploration of perceptions toward care of the older adult.

**Semester Hours Credit:** 1

**Lecture:** Lecture 16/No lab

**Prerequisite:** Acceptance and admission to the Coastal Bend College Vocational Nursing Program

**Textbook(s):** Basic Geriatric Nursing, 5th Edition 2012  
Elsevier Mosby: Wold  
ISBN: 978-0-323-07399-8

**Teaching Methods:** Lecture  
Multi-media presentations  
Group discussions  
On-line support  
Tutorial assistance

**Course Outcomes:**

Describe the aspects of aging; discuss disease processes associated with aging; and identify perceptions related to care of the older adult. Upon successful completion of this course, the student should demonstrate 75% mastery of the following content:

1. Compare the most common structural and functional changes of the aging process
2. Define elements of health promotion and health maintenance for the geriatric patient

**End of Course Outcomes:**

1. Explain the impact of age-related changes on delivery of nursing care



**Student Learning Outcomes:** Students will utilize effective communication skills in the clinical setting during assessment of the geriatric patient.

**Assessment:** Clinical evaluation tools will reflect the student’s ability to communicate with the geriatric patient following the fourth off-site clinical rotation.

**Target:** Students will achieve a satisfactory rating (8.5) according to the VNSG 2360 Clinical Evaluation, IV., A.

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