



**University of Thi-Qar  
College of Nursing  
Undergraduate Program  
Introduction to nursing**

- 1. Course title: Introduction to Nursing**
- 2. Course Number: (101)**
- 3. Credit hours :(4) credit**
- 4. Course calendar :(4) hours weekly of (15) weeks**
- 5. Placement: First academic year / First semester**
- 6. Course description:**

This course is designed to provide the nursing student with basic knowledge concerning principles of nursing and critical thinking for each of this basic knowledge: historical and contemporary nursing practices, the development of nursing profession, nursing education and research, health wellness and illness, and health care delivery system.

**7. Course objectives:**

At the end of the course the student will be able to:

1. Understand the historical and development of nursing profession.
2. Realize the personal characteristics and human needs.
3. Recognize the concept of health, wellness and illness.
4. Describe the health care delivery system.

## **8. Course Outline:**

### **Part I: Historical and contemporary nursing practice**

- 1.1. Historical perspective**
- 1.2. Contemporary nursing practice**
- 1.3. Critical thinking**
- 1.4. Role and function of the nurse**
- 1.5. socialization to nursing**
- 1.6. Factors influencing contemporary nursing practice**
- 1.7. Nursing organization**
- 1.8. Nursing history in Iraq**

### **Part II: The development of nursing profession**

- 2.1. Nursing definition**
- 2.2. Distinguishing nursing from medicine profession**
- 2.3. Critical thinking**
- 2.4. Criteria of profession**
- 2.5. Defining language for nursing**

### **Part III: Nursing education and research**

- 3.1. Nursing education program**
- 3.2. Critical thinking**
- 3.3. Types of education programs**
- 3.4. Nursing research**

### **Part IV: Midterm exam**

### **Part V: Health, wellness and illness**

- 5.1. Concepts of health, wellness and illness**
- 5.2. Variables influencing health status, beliefs, and practices of clients**
- 5.3. Critical thinking**

**Part VI: 4.Models of health and wellness**

**6.1.health belief models**

**6.2. Health care compliance**

**Part VII: Health care delivery system**

**7.1.Types of health care services**

**7.2.Critical thinking**

**Part VIII:**

**8.1Types of international health care agencies and services**

**8.2.Providers of health care**

**Part IX:**

**9.1.Factors affecting health care delivery**

**9.2.Frameworks for care**

**9.3.Financing health care**

**Part X: Midterm exam.**