

Course Description	<p>In this course you will review essential information that reflects current clinical drug therapy by examining the common classification of drugs. The course content includes strategies to promote safe, effective, and rational drug therapy while considering the clients' individual characteristics.</p> <p>Course content includes pharmacotherapeutic principles, professional, ethical, and regulatory aspects of prescribing. It also provides a prescribing process that addresses appropriateness of drug choice for individual patients.</p>
Learning Outcomes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Describe the Factors Related to the Safe Use of Drugs. 2. Explain the Concepts and Processes of Drug Action. 3. Examine the Drugs Affecting the Central Nervous System. 4. Examine the Drugs Affecting the Autonomic Nervous System. 5. Examine the Drugs Affecting the Endocrine System. 6. Examine the Drugs Used to Treat Infections. 7. Examine the Drugs Affecting the Respiratory System. 8. Examine the Drugs Affecting the Cardiovascular and Renal Systems. 9. Examine the Drugs Affecting the Gastrointestinal System.
Admission Requirements	<p>Eligible for registered nurses' licensure in your jurisdiction.</p> <p>Completion of NURS 1713 Assessment and Clinical Reasoning</p>
Student Assessment	<p>Quizzes - 60%</p> <p>Final course exam - 40%</p> <p>Pass Mark - 70%</p>
Learning Methods	<p>Asynchronously access course materials by signing onto the internet at your convenience;</p>
Required Resources	<p><u>All resources are within the online course content</u></p> <p>Optional Additional Resource:</p> <p>Smith, B. T. & Pacitti, D. F. (2020). <i>Pharmacology for nurses, (2nd ed.)</i>. Jones & Bartlett Learning. https://ezproxy.saskpolytech.ca/login?url=https://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=nlebk&AN=1914567&site=ehost-live&scope=site&ebv=EB&ppid=pp_15</p> <p>Stringer, J. L. (2022). <i>Basic concepts in pharmacology : what you need to know for each drug class</i> (Sixth edition.). McGraw Hill Medical. https://casls-spl.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/01CASLS_SPL/1obmai7/alma991002218606003480</p>
Start Date	<p>Jan 13, 2025 – May 1, 2025</p> <p>Registration Deadline May 1, 2025</p> <p>CRN 202412-1674</p> <p>Fall 2025 TBA</p>
Tuition	<p>\$785.08 (subject to change)</p>

To Register

1. Students will access the course registration on the [Saskatchewan Polytechnic website](#).
Search for:
 - a. [NURS 1713 Assessment & Clinical Reasoning](#),
 - b. [NURS 1714 Rational Drug Therapy for RN Prescribers](#),
 - c. [NURS 1715 Clinical Decision Making for RN Prescribers](#).
2. Follow the instructions located on the right-hand side "[How to Register for a Course](#)"
3. For support and additional information on how to access courses after individuals are registered, please refer to the website [Online Learning Support \(saskpolytech.ca\)](#)

All course content is within the Brightspace course and will be accessed through [mySaskPolytech](#).

For More Information

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