

## COURSE SYLLABUS

### Intensive and Critical Care Nursing

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#### Aims

The integrated course aims to provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary to assist people in critical conditions in the main contexts of the critical area: first aid, intensive care, surgical block, intra- and extra-hospital emergency.

#### Objectives:

- 1. Knowledge and understanding: mastery of the theoretical and clinical knowledge necessary for critical patient management in different contexts.
- 2. Ability to apply knowledge and understanding: ability to plan, document and implement effective and safe nursing interventions based on clinical conditions and the operational environment.
- 3. Autonomy of judgement: ability to critically assess clinical situations, set priorities and make timely decisions.
- 4. Communicative skills: ability to collaborate in multi-professional teams and communicate clearly with patients and family members.
- 5. Learning ability: ability to self-update knowledge through consultation of guidelines, protocols and clinical cases.

#### Contents

Through the four disciplinary modules (Internal Medicine 4, General Surgery 3, Anesthesiology and Critical Area Nursing), the course allows you to:

- understand the pathophysiological basis of major acute and critical medical and surgical conditions;
- know the main anaesthesiological techniques and their impact on perioperative nursing management;
- acquire tools for assessment, monitoring and nursing intervention in the management of adult, neonatal and paediatric critical patient;
- develop communicative and decision-making skills to work in multidisciplinary teams, even in situations of high assistance intensity.

## Detailed program

The course covers a wide range of topics relevant to critical area assistance, including:

- organization of the Emergency-Emergency Department (DEA), intra- and extra-hospital care routes, triage and protocols;
- Management of vital functions (respiratory, cardiovascular, neurological and regulatory) in acute conditions and clinical instability;
- invasive and non-invasive ventilation techniques, management of acute pain and delirium in intensive care, alterations of the hydro-electrolyte and metabolic balance;
- Anaesthesiological pharmacology, general and locoregional anesthesia techniques, intraoperative monitoring and the role of the nurse in the operating room;
- neurological and consciousness assessment, sedation, monitoring of intracranial pressure;
- taking care of the person with polytrauma outside the hospital;
- relational and communicative aspects with the person assisted and caregivers in situations of acute stress, communication of the bad news.

### Complementary activities

The course provides for each student to participate in the course of BLS-D (Basic Life Support and Defibrillation), with acquisition of the official certificate of executor.

## Prerequisites

By regulation

## Teaching form

Lectures conducted in presence in dispensative mode, with exercises on clinical cases

## Textbook and teaching resource

### ESSENTIAL REFERENCE

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## Semester

3rd year 2nd semester

## Assessment method

Written (for the modules of Internal Medicine 4, General Surgery 3 and Anesthesiology) and oral (for Nursing in Critical Area) see individual modules

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## **Sustainable Development Goals**

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