



# BAKER COLLEGE

## STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

NUR3310 Nursing Theory and Research  
3 Semester Hours

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### Student Learning Outcomes and Enabling Objectives

1. Examine the role research plays in the nursing profession and nursing as a science.
    - a. Discuss the importance of research for the nursing profession and nursing as a science.
    - b. Explore how selected nursing theories are utilized within the nursing research process.
    - c. Explain the interrelations among theory, practice, and research.
    - d. Explore the elements of the research process and models for applying evidence to clinical practice.
    - e. Identify how research can be conducted and utilized to support evidence-based practice.
    - f. Apply nursing research to a current health care issue or practice policy.
  2. Investigate ethical and legal issues relevant to research.
    - a. Identify potential conflict of interest, misconduct, or potential harm in research. (Omitted possible solutions of)
    - b. Discuss the history of ethical practice in research. Focus on the development of the Institutional Review Board (IRB) process
  3. Evaluate the scientific merit and validity of research.
    - a. Evaluate the credibility of sources of information used in research.
    - b. Evaluate various elements of the research process.
  4. Investigate the process of retrieval, appraisal, and synthesis of evidence in research.
    - a. Explain the importance of working with the healthcare team during the research process.
    - b. Explain how to collect, document, and disseminate evidence.
  5. Examine how to integrate evidence, clinical judgment, interprofessional perspectives, and patient preferences in planning, implementing, and evaluating outcomes of care.
    - a. Explain the importance of working with the healthcare team to improve patient outcomes.
    - b. Describe mechanisms to resolve discrepancies between identified standards, evidence, and practice that may adversely impact patient outcomes.
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### Big Ideas and Essential Questions

#### Big Ideas

- Evidence Based Practice
- Patient Outcomes
- Medical Ethics

## Essential Questions

1. What is the role research plays in the nursing profession and nursing as a science?
2. How do ethical and legal issues affect nursing research?

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These SLOs are not approved for experiential credit.

**Effective: Fall 2017**