

1.	School	School of Nursing
2.	Department	Clinical Nursing
3.	Program title (Arabic)	ماجستير في التمريض السريري / الرعاية التلطيفية
4.	Program title (English)	Master Degree in Clinical Nursing/ Palliative Care
5.	Track	Thesis

	Specialization #	Degree	Dep #	Faculty #	Year	Track
Plan Number	014	7	2	07	2018	Thesis

#### First: General Rules & Conditions:

1. This plan conforms to the valid regulations of the programs of graduate studies.
2. Specialties of Admission:
  - The First Priority: Bachelor's Degree in Nursing.

**Second: Special Conditions :**One year clinical nursing experience in a health care institution or a teaching/training experience of one year in the related specialty.

#### Third: Study Plan: Studying (36) Credit Hours as following:

1. Obligatory Courses (18) Credit Hours:

Course No.	Course Title	Credit Hrs	Theory	Practical.	Pre/Co-requisite
0703724	Research Methodology in Nursing	3	3	-	-
0703725	Statistical Methods for Health Care Research	3	3	-	-
0702734	Health Assessment Skills	3	2	8	-
0702728	Introduction to palliative care	3	3	-	-
0702730	Symptom management in palliative care	3	2	8	0702734
0702729	Clinical palliative care	3	-	24	0702730

**2. Elective Courses: Studying (9) Credit hours from the following:**

Course No.	Course Title	Credit Hrs	Theory	Practical.	Pre/Co-requisite
0701722	Specialized Nursing: Ethics and Roles	3	3	-	-
0703720	Nursing Theories: Development and Application	3	3	-	-
0702735	Clinical Pharmacology in Nursing	3	3	-	-
0702731	Palliative Care: Pain and Suffering	3	3	-	-
0702732	Qualitative research in palliative care	3	3	-	-
0702733	Palliative Care: Policies, Psychosocial and Ethical Perspectives	3	3	-	-
0701730	Therapeutic relationships in psychiatric nursing	3	3	-	-
0701732	Teaching and Training in Nursing	3	3	-	-
0701733	Management and Leadership in Nursing	3	3	-	-

**3. Thesis (9) Credit hours (0702799)**

**4. Arabic Language Exam (2501700)**

### COURSE DESCRIPTION :

- (0701722) Specialized Nursing: Ethics and Roles (3 credit hours)**  
This course discusses the implications of advanced practice and its effects on the development of the nursing profession. In addition, the course will focus on the role of the nurse as a patient advocate and discusses some of the cross cultural and ethical issues that face nurses in providing care for their patients and families and provides guidelines for ethical decision making.
- (0703720) Nursing Theories: Development and Application (3 credit hours)**  
In this course the nature, process and the evolution of contemporary nursing theories will be explored. Selected nursing theories, models and frameworks that are used in the nursing profession will be analyzed critically. Application of theoretical concepts to solve nursing problems in diverse societal settings will be addressed.
- (0701732) Teaching and Training in Nursing (3 credit hours)**  
In this course, the emphasis will be on educational aspects of critical care and adult health nursing as an aspect of nursing practice. The student will develop instructional design as related to the educational needs of the patient and family. Emphasis will be on teaching and training other nursing personnel in the area of critical care through the use of instructional design. Emphasis will be on utilizing a comprehensive instructional process.
- (0702726) Changes in health physiology (3 credit hours)**  
This course focuses on the pathogenesis of human disease as a consequence of abnormalities and alterations of normal physiological function. Regulatory and compensatory mechanisms that aim at maintaining and restoring homeostasis in response to changes in the internal and external environment are explored. This course tackles all systems, but emphasizes those systems encountered in critical care units, within an appropriate theoretical framework. It will form the basis for planning essential and comprehensive nursing care interventions, aiming at providing comprehensive patient care.
- (0701733) Management and Leadership in Nursing (3 credit hours)**  
This course provides for the comprehensive study of the department of nursing as a vital component of multiple health care delivery systems. Its primary focus is on the preparation of nurse managers to function in a variety of health care settings. It examines financial, personnel, and quality control management with the emphasis on the role behaviors of the nurse manager as an advanced practitioner of nursing. An overview of management and leadership theories and processes and their implication for nurse managers is provided. The role of the advanced practitioner and consultant in marketing nursing services is also described.
- (0702733) Palliative Care: Policies, Psychosocial and Ethical Perspectives. (3 credit hours)**  
This course explores the relationship between outcomes of palliative care for individual clients and how these are shaped by wider constraints. It aims at extending students' understanding of the policy and political drivers shaping care delivery internationally and in Jordan. It also introduces the students to the international perspective on contemporary ethical debates particularly as they related to issues of equity of access to quality care and end of life decision making in clinical practice.
- (0702731) Palliative Care: Pain and Suffering (3 credit hours)**  
This course provides an in depth study of pain and symptom management, including advanced care planning with clients and their families. This course takes a comprehensive look at the management of pain and suffering as understood from the patient's lived experience and applied to nursing practice. Both pharmacological and non-pharmacological pain management strategies are examined and the ethical clinical decision-making in pain management is emphasized according to established standards for quality care and best practices within an interdisciplinary team.

**(0702732) Qualitative research in palliative care (3 credit hours)**

This course introduces master students to qualitative research methods. The course will help students to use a variety of research techniques that involve gathering qualitative data from "primary sources" (i.e. by observing or interviewing people or organizations), and develop insights into new phenomena, and into complex relationships that are not easily ascertained with other methods. Students will acquire skill and gain experiences in using a wide range of qualitative methodological and analytical techniques. The emphasis of the course is on the collection, management, analysis, and interpretation of qualitative data.

**( 0702730 ) Symptom management in palliative care (3 credit hours)**

**Prerequisite: (0702734 )**

This course enables the students to learn about current practices, clinical advancements, and research updates in palliative care nursing. This course takes a holistic approach at the management of symptoms as understood from the patients' perspective and applied to nursing practice. It focuses on managing common symptoms in palliative care and issues associated with patients' and their families' needs such as psychological distress and spiritual concerns. The ultimate aim is to improve the patients' quality of life by preparing nurses to apply the recommend care plan based upon the best available evidence.

**(0701730) Therapeutic relationships in psychiatric nursing (3 credit hours)**

This course focuses on the application of caring theory to interpersonal communications. It emphasizes the development of the role of communicator in individual and group experiences and in professional relationships. Utilizing an experiential model, laboratory experiences focus on self-awareness and group dynamics, the students will be able to experiment and practice the models of therapeutic relationship and establish a connection between communication styles and health outcomes

**( 0702734) Health Assessment Skills (3 credit hours)**

This course focuses on providing the students with the knowledge, and skills needed for applying comprehensive health of assessment skills client in the context of the family. This course will include training the students how to assess and document medical history and then to carryout complete and comprehensive health assessment to record, interpret, and report the results of this assessment. Students will learn to utilize the results of the comprehensive clinical assessment in order to plan the nursing care.

**(0703724) Research Methodology in Nursing (3 Credit Hours)**

This course introduces the students to different research designs, instruments, methods of data collection and analysis. This course focuses on the utilization of scientific research in the development of nursing knowledge. The students will have the opportunity to design a research proposal in his/her area of specialization.

**( 0703725 ) Statistical Methods for Health Care Research (3 Credit Hours)**

The emphasis of this course is on the nature and characteristics of the most commonly used statistical techniques (descriptive statistics, correlation and linear regression, factor analysis, and elementary hypothesis testing), and their applicability to specific health care problems within the context of nursing. Students will develop skills and knowledge in the use of computing software and to reinforce learning through assignments, including the analysis of data and interpret computer output.

**(0702728 ) Introduction to palliative care (3 credit hours)**

This course introduces master students to the basic concepts and principles in palliative care. The course extends students' understanding of the philosophical, theoretical and evidence base aspects of comprehensive palliative care. The emphasis of this course is to help the students to provide holistic care considering the physical, psychosocial, cultural and spiritual needs of the clients and their families. Basic concepts and principles in palliative care such as suffering, comfort, and dignity will be introduced in this course.

**( 0702729 ) Clinical palliative care (3 credit hours)**

**Prerequisite:(0702730)**

This course aims at helping the student to become a proficient nurse with advanced knowledge and evidence based clinical practice in palliative nursing care. It is designed to prepare the master nursing students to take forward the development and delivery of innovative palliative care nursing practice. The course is composed of a theoretical part and a clinical part with an ultimate aim to improve the quality of life of clients and their families. The theoretical part of the course will focus on critical appraisal of reviewing and analyzing recent knowledge in advanced palliative care nursing. The practicum part will focus on providing the students with relevant clinical experiences and skills in a variety of palliative care settings utilizing the nursing process as a framework in providing the care for clients and their families.

**( 0702735 ) Clinical Pharmacology in Nursing (3 credit hours)**

The course deals with the use of drugs in humans. It includes a brief description of the pathophysiological processes, diagnosis and treatment of common medical problems. The mechanism of action, pharmacological effects, clinical uses, adverse effects and drug interactions will be discussed. In addition, the course will briefly discuss preclinical and clinical trials and the ethics of conducting such studies.