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# NI News

## NILC Site Redesign

The Nursing Informatics Learning Center site is 15 years old this year, 2015! In honor of this milestone, I decided to give the site a face lift. It has taken countless hours, but the entire site now has a new layout, look, and essence. I hope you enjoy this new look and will tell your friends to come visit!

This redesign includes streamlining of our courses and installation of an updated course management system.

## The NILC Course Summer Sale is On Now!

Take advantage of our Annual NILC course Summer Sale! Summer can be the perfect time to earn your required CE credits for license renewal plus increase your knowledge and skills in the fascinating realm of nursing informatics!

Each week in July and August, one course will be offered for 20% off the usual low tuition fee. We kick off our summer sale with our most popular course:



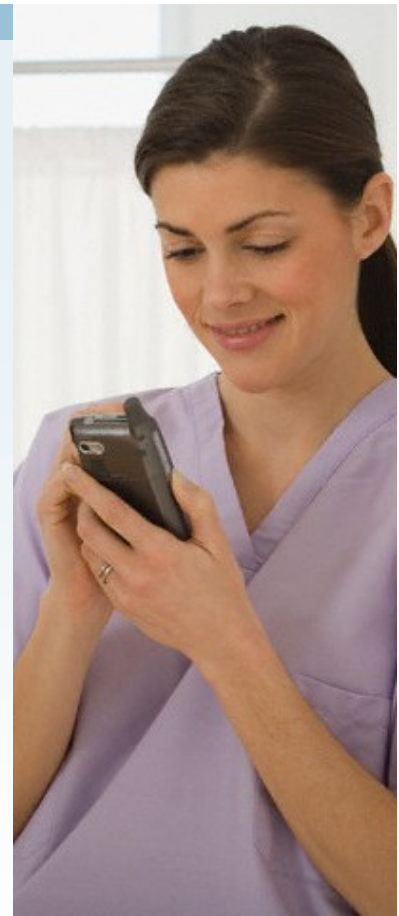
**NRPR 101: Nursing Informatics Fundamentals for \$159.20 (regular \$199 USD).**

This NRPR 101 sale is in effect from **June 28 through July 6, 2015.**

Be sure to check back often to benefit from our weekly summer sales!

These courses are completed completely online and are approved by the Board of Nursing, State of California.

**Enroll Now in NRPR 101...**



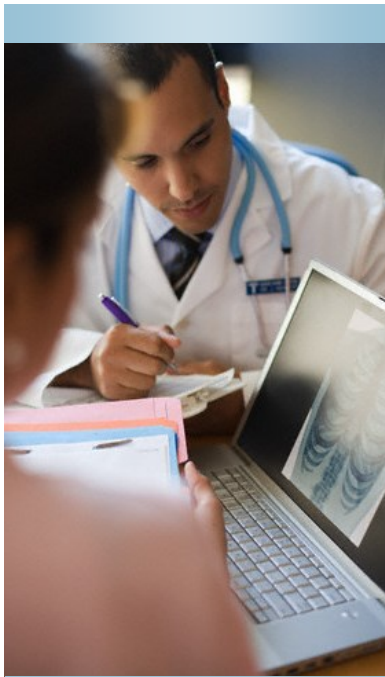
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### Special points of interest

- NILC Courses Summer Sale
- Complete Site Redesign!
- Online CE Courses in Nursing Informatics available.
- NI 2016 Call for submissions
- Upcoming Informatics Events





## Online CE Courses in Nursing Informatics

All courses have been painstakingly developed to reflect a 21st century, techno-savvy, theory-rich lens of Nursing Informatics. Content is presented using a wide-angle, global lens to help nurses develop keen insight and awareness of all ramifications of the informatics spectrum of health care.

A constructivist, project-rich, learner-centered mode of teaching and learning is applied to provide content that both challenges and stimu-

lates learners to engage with the many faces of informatics in meaningful ways.

These completely on-line, self paced courses are approved by the California Board of Nursing for full CE credit; CE Provider No. CEP 14891.

**VERIFY LICENCE HERE** . Most State & Country licencing Boards accept CE credit approved by other State Boards.. Read more about these courses at <http://nursing-informatics.com/courses.html>

Enhance your informatics knowledge and skills while earning your required CE credits for licensure or NI speciality certification.

### Theory in Informatics

We offer short theory courses that focus on informatics and theory.

These courses have been designed to prepare nurses to meet the requirements of various certification programs, such as **Topic I: Knowledge Management and Knowledge Generation: Section B—Models and Theories**. These courses are worth 3 credit hours each, cost is \$20 USD.

Choose from:

**NRTH 100: Novice to Expert Theory**

**NRTH 101: Diffusion of Innovation**

**NRTH 102: Lewin's Change Theory**

**NRTH 103: Appreciative Inquiry**

More Models and Theory courses will be offered in late 2015—stay tuned!

## Practice related CE Courses

### NRPR 101: Fundamentals of Nursing Informatics

This course has been designed for prepare nurses to meet the requirements



of various certification programs, e.g. Topic I: Information Management and Knowledge Generation and II: Professional Practice. Uses a wide lens introduction to NI theory, practice, skill develop-

ment & competencies. 39 contact hours - \$199 tuition. **LEARN MORE...**

### NRPR 102: Human Factors in Informatics

This course has been designed for prepare nurses to meet the requirements of various certification programs, e.g. Topic I: Information

Management and Knowledge Generation: Ergonomics, computer asepsis, human-computer interaction, aesthetics, usability.

5 contact hours - \$33 tuition. **LEARN MORE...**







*Nursing Informatics Continuing Education courses keep you in the know!*

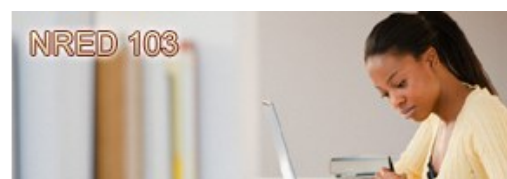
## CE Courses for Educators

### Virtual Education for Nursing I and II

Theory and practice in creating online courses for nursing education or PD. The learner designs a fundamental learning environment for nursing instruction as part of the assessment process. 39 credits - \$199 [LEARN MORE...](#)



### Nursing Informatics in the Classroom



learning plans related to the integration of NI. 39 credits - \$199 [LEARN MORE...](#)

Theory & practice on how to integrate informatics into nursing education and PD. Learners create lessons, portfolios, documents, assignments and

## Leadership Courses

### Web Presence for Nursing



Theory, principles, coding & practice in web site design for health and nursing. for business, collaboration, e-health, or client education. 39 credits - \$199 .

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### Social Media for Nurses



Theory, principles & practice in using social media professionally using platforms such as Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, and Youtube.. 15 credits - \$99.

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## SELF ASSESSMENT TOOL

[This site](#) was created to offer registered nurses an online tool for self assessment in general Nursing Informatics competencies. These tools give you a preliminary analysis of your current expertise and learning needs in the realm of informatics in nursing. This is purely a professional development exercise in self assessment for the purpose of assisting you in creating a personal learning plan for further education and practice.

As a nurse interested in Nursing Informatics skills, you have an unique set of related strengths, knowledge and learning needs. An initial learning plan is offered here to help you to begin to plan your personal development in computer literacy, information literacy and informatics theory and practice. Once you have identified your preliminary learning needs, you can plan strategies for equipping yourself with the theory and hands-on skills you need to be proficient in the various aspects of informatics.

You can also take the [P.A.T.C.H. \(Pretest for Attitudes Toward Computers in Healthcare\) online](#).

## NI 2016 will be in Geneva!

NI2016 is the official meeting of the IMIA Special Interest Group on Nursing Informatics. The 13th International Congress on Nursing Informatics will be in Geneva, Switzerland from June 25 - 29, 2016. The theme of the conference will be "eHealth for all: Collaboration at every level from project to realization".

The Congress provides a forum for nurses and other health care professionals to inform, study, evaluate, innovate, and create a climate within which they can enlarge upon their professional goals.

The call for submissions ends on September 30, 2015. Early Bird registration is available now.

[Visit the Official Website....](#)



## Latest Issue of OJNI is Online—Vol 19 No 2

The Online Journal of Nursing Informatics (OJNI) is a free, international, professional, refereed publication that focuses on nursing informatics in all practice settings.

OJNI is committed to addressing the theoretical and practical aspects of nursing informatics as it relates to the art of nursing.

[Read the latest OJNI Issue...](#)

## P.A.T.C.H. Assessment Scale v. 3

You can Take the  
**P.A.T.C.H.**  
Scale   
Online Now!  
Click to Begin!



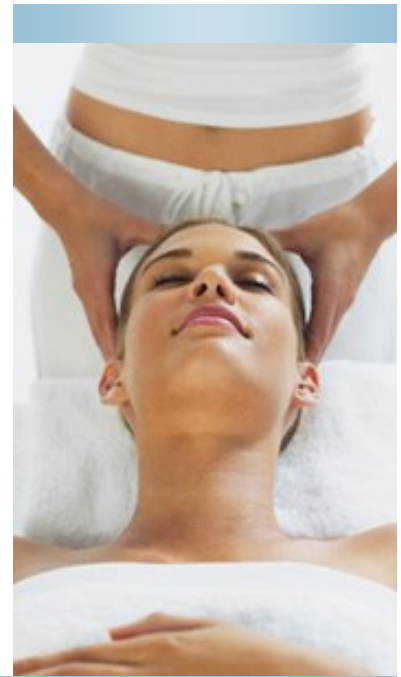


## Superb Health-Related Web Design

The development of an authentic, reliable health related web site is an exciting ambition - one full of responsibility that requires expert design and content planning.

At Hygeia Design we offer careful layout and visual planning plus accurate and dependable copywriting and presentation. We specialize in expert Web Design for Medicine, Nursing, Hospitals, Health Clinics, Chiropractors, Acupuncturists, Reflexologists, Healers, Massage Therapists, Spas, Fitness and Nutrition, Prevention and Health Promotion, Education, Informatics, and other topics related to Wellness.

[Find out More...](#)



*In this paper, the metaphor of a food forest garden was applied to describe the ecosystem of technological layers used in a BSN-PB program in Western Canada.*

## Cultivating Nurturing Learning e-scapes: A Food Forest Analogy

This conceptual paper focuses on the implementation of a diverse technological landscape within a blended post-baccalaureate nursing program (BSN-PB) in Western Canada. The challenge of nurturing nursing students within a blended program demands innovative and engaged activities and assignments. The development of a rich robust technological e-scape for nursing education requires intense planning and the application of diverse programs and applications. The BSN-PB program incorporates multiple technological layers to shape the e-scape for students, metaphorically similar to the intricate organization of a healthy food forest garden.

When designing a food forest garden, plants are selected that create

a food web and guild structure that works together to form a rigorous closed ecosystem. Everything grown in this type of forest is edible and sustainable. Similarly, various layers of technology that interact within the learning e-scape can be applied to create a rich learning ecosystem that nourishes the development of nursing knowledge, competencies, skills, and culture within the blended environment. Seven major technological layers were carefully selected to enrich student learning within the BSN-PB program. This analysis presents these layers within a food forest garden analogy to introduce how a variety of technological innovations can be seamlessly applied to enrich and shape reflective and dynamic learning.

[Read Entire Paper...](#)





#### Nursing Informatics Learning Center Summary

This site offers resources, courses, links, and news related to the complex field of nursing informatics. It is intended to serve as a tool for nurses who wish to explore the field, assess their own competencies, and develop knowledge and skills to empower their own practice. Consultant, Writing, Curriculum Design and other services are also available.

## Upcoming Informatics Events

July 22—24, 2015

**2015 Summer Institute in Nursing Informatics**

THEME: SINI's 25th Anniversary

LOCATION: University of Maryland, Baltimore, Maryland.

April 21-23, 2016

**ANIA Annual Conference 2016**

THEME: Bridging Informatics and Patient Care

LOCATION: San Francisco, California

June 25 - 29, 2016

**13th International Congress in Nursing Informatics**

THEME: eHealth for all – Every level collaboration from project to realization

LOCATION: Geneva, Switzerland

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