# El Paso Community College Syllabus Part II Official Course Description

SUBJECT AREA	Health Services/Allied Health/Health Sciences, General			
COURSE RUBRIC AND NUMBER	HPRS 1205			
COURSE TITLE	Essentials of Medical Law/Ethics for Health Professionals			
COURSE HOURS	2	2 :	0	
	Credits	Lec	Lab	

## I. Catalog Description

Introduces the relationship between legal aspects and ethics in health care, with emphasis on responsibilities of health care professionals. A grade of "C" or better is required in this course to take the next course. (2:0).

## II. Course Objectives

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- A. Describe the relationship between the health care giver and recipient.
- B. Discuss contracts with regard to professional duties and standards of care.
- C. Define a variety of legal terms that relate to health care practice.
- D. Explain the development of the value systems.
- E. Describe the principle of ethics as applicable to health care issues in the workplace.
- F. Discuss the importance of confidentiality in health care management.
- G. Identify current ethical issues in health care (i.e., AIDS, euthanasia, abortion, genetic engineering)
- H. Relate the role of the professional as gatekeeper to an ethical health care system.

## III. THECB Learning Outcomes (WECM)

- 1. Identify current legal and ethical issues in health care.
- 2. Cite case studies and governmental regulations.

#### IV. Evaluation

I. The grading scale will be as follows:

A = 90 - 100B = 80 - 89

C = 70 - 79

F = below 70

Note: A grade of "C" or better is required for the course to meet the requirements of health occupations programs.

J. Exams and assignments will be given at the discretion of the instructor.

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### V. Disability Statement (Americans with Disabilities Act [ADA])

EPCC offers a variety of services to persons with documented sensory, mental, physical, or temporary disabling conditions to promote success in classes. If you have a disability and believe you may need services, you are encouraged to contact the Center for Students with Disabilities to discuss your needs with a counselor. All discussions and documentation are kept confidential. Offices located: VV Rm C-112 (831-2426); TM Rm 1400 (831-5808); RG Rm B-201 (831-4198); NWC Rm M-54 (831-8815); and MDP Rm A-125 (831-7024).

## VI. 6 Drop Rule

Students who began attending Texas public institutions of higher education for the first time during the Fall 2007 semester or later are subject to a 6-Drop limit for all undergraduate classes. Developmental, ESL, Dual Credit and Early College High School classes are exempt from this rule. All students should consult with their instructor before dropping a class. Academic assistance is available. Students are encouraged to see Counseling Services if dropping because exemptions may apply. Refer to the EPCC catalog and website for additional information.

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