

Planning and Quality Assurance Affairs

Form (A)

Course Specifications

General Information

Course name	Community Pharmacy and OTC
Course number	PHPT4124
Faculty	
Department	
Course type	Major Needs
Course level	4
Credit hours (theoretical)	1
Credit hours (practical)	0
Course Prerequisites	

Course Objectives

1	- To increase students' understanding of the scope of activities and responsibilities of the community pharmacist
2	- To increase students' knowledge of over the counter drugs and medicinal devices used at home and available in the Palestinian market
3	- To enable students to diagnose simple conditions that can be managed by nonpharmacological therapy or by the use of OTC products
4	- To enable students to determine cases that should be referred to the physician for higher level of care

Intended Learning Outcomes

Knowledge and Understanding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Appreciate the importance of community pharmacies within the health care system * Describe the responsibilities and scope of activities of the community pharmacist * Know the different drugs and medicinal products and devices that are available without a prescription * Assess patients in the pharmacy and diagnose simple conditions that can be treated with OTC products * Understand the treatment of simple conditions related to the respiratory system, gastrointestinal system, ophthalmology, and ear conditions * Differentiate between symptoms warranting the supervision of a medical doctor and those that can be self-treated * Provide the proper advice for each OTC product and for each condition
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Course Contents

- 1 - Introduction to community pharmacy practice and self-care
- 2 - Assessment of patients in the community pharmacy
- 3 - Common cold, sore throat and rhinitis
- 4 - Ophthalmology
- 5 - Ear conditions
- 6 - Insomnia, headache, Nausea and vomiting
- 7 - Conditions affecting the oral cavity: mouth ulcers, oral thrush, gingivitis
- 8 - Diarrhea, constipation and hemorrhoids
- 9 - Simple skin conditions: Seborrheic dermatitis, hair loss, corns and calluses, cold sores, diaper rash, head lice

Teaching and Learning Methods

- 1 - Lectures
- 2 - Textbooks

Students Assessment

<u>Assessment Method</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MARKS</u>
Midterm exam	60 min	30
Quizzes	60 min	30
Final exam	90 min	40

Books and References

Course note	Lectures
	American Pharmacists Association (AphA). Handbook of nonprescription drugs, 18th edition. Washington D.C: American Pharmaceutical Association, 2015
Recommended books	Paul Rutter, Community Pharmacy: Symptoms, diagnosis, and treatment, 4th edition, Elsevier; 2017