Prerequisite Course Quick Start Guide

Getting Started with Your Pre-Requisite Course
Welcome to the Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing. We are excited to have you enrolled in one of our pre-requisite course offerings and look forward to working with you this semester. We would like to provide you with some information on how to access your online course.

How do I access my course on Blackboard?
You will need to go to the JHU Blackboard site (http://blackboard.jhu.edu) and log in with your JHED username and password. If you do not know what your JHED username and password are, please go to http://my.jhu.edu and search for your name in the search box. After you acquire your JHED username, click the link for First Time JHED User to create your password. Once this process is complete, you may go to the Blackboard URL given above to access the course.

If you have any questions or problems during this process, you may contact the Prerequisite Student Coordinator via email at prereqs@jhu.edu. If you have any questions directly related to your JHED username and password, please contact the JHED Help Desk at 410H 955H 4357.

Once you have successfully logged into Blackboard, you will see your course listed on the right hand side in the My Courses Plus window. Click the link for the course and then you will be able to access the Syllabus and the Getting Started Module. The Getting Started module can be found in the Course Content area.

What are the technical requirements for online courses?
To use Blackboard, you will need to be connected to the internet. Your online course will utilize a mix of audio, video, and images to deliver content to you. As a result, it is very important that you are prepared for the start of the course. The Getting Started module will answer many questions related to the use of Blackboard within this course as well as what software you will need to be successful.

For those of you who use Internet Explorer as your primary internet browser, it is very important that you look over the attached document titled "Displaying mixed content in Blackboard". This document will provide you with some information necessary to ensure you have the best possible experience when interacting with the course. For those of you who use a different browser such as Firefox or Google Chrome, you will not need to read through this document. You are still strongly encouraged to read through the Getting Started module. We strongly recommend using Firefox or Chrome to access Blackboard as they seem to work more reliably with Blackboard.

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How is my online course structured?
In the week leading up to the start of the course, you are encouraged to read through the Getting Started Module and watch the video introduction from your instructor.

Our courses are "primarily asynchronous," which means there are no scheduled times when you are required to be online interacting with your instructor or classmates, but if the class would like an opportunity for such a synchronous session, one could be arranged and recorded for those who could not attend. Each module is one week long and may contain discussion or blog assignments, quizzes, textbook readings and video slides show lectures, which are available at your convenience to watch. Each module's assignments are due weekly at 5 p.m. on the date listed in the course schedule and syllabus, with a new module starting on Monday.