**Applied communication**

**Module Competence**

This module is designed to enable the learner apply critical thinking and communication skills in in nursing.

**Module Outcomes**

By the end of the module, the learner will be able to;

1. Apply critical thinking skills in provision of nursing care
2. Implement student-centred learning in the nursing course
3. Utilize reading and writing skills
4. Apply advocacy and public relations skills

**Module Units**

**Number Name**

 **Hours**

 **Theory Practical**

1. Critical thinking Skills and Reflection 02 00
2. Introduction to Student Cantered Learning 02 00
3. Reading and writing skills 02 00
4. Public and advocacy relations 04 00

**Module Content**

**Critical thinking skills and reflection;** critical thinking and reflection-skills, problem solving skills, principles and importance of critical thinking, reflective writing, application of theory to practice. **Introduction to Student Cantered Learning;** student centred vs traditional learning, lifelong learning, active vs passive learning, principles of self-directed learning and small group learning. **Reading and writing skills**; introduction to reading, reading techniques, critical reading and presentation, Soft skills training. **Advocacy and public relations;** advocacy skills, assertiveness skills, negotiation skills, application in nursing, team work, customer care, effective communication.

**Teaching Strategies**

Group Discussions, Lectures, Demonstrations, Role Plays.

**Teaching/Learning Resources**

Chalk and chalkboard, LCD Projector and laptop, Text books, Manikins, Flip charts, Posters, Procedure Manuals.