

# Teaching Tips: Activities to Help Promote Clinical Judgement in the Classroom

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## Introduction

- Nursing students struggle with learning complex clinical scenarios using clinical judgment.
- Priority, select all that apply and Next Generation NCLEX are challenging for nursing students.
- Literature supports methods to teach clinical judgment to students with concerns surround the changes to NCLEX (Hensel, 2020).



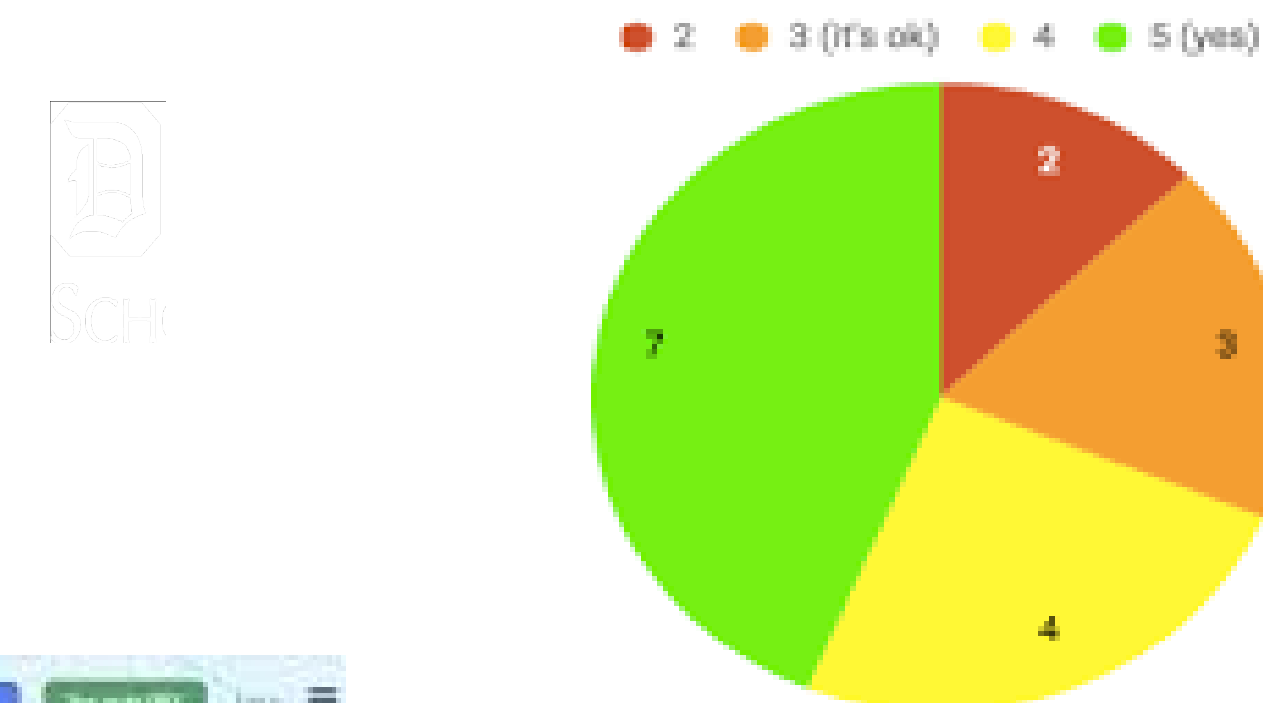
## Teaching Modalities Using Nearpod

Re-designed nursing course using various learning modalities were incorporated.

*NearPod* [www.nearpod.com](http://www.nearpod.com) is a web-based interactive teaching tool.

- Multiple Choice Questions
- Select All That Apply
- Patient & Content Videos
- Realtime Response Rates
- Assess Student Learning

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## Computer Break Teaching Modalities

- Students Receive 15 questions via handouts.
- Write in answer choices.
- Discussion in class on answers and rationale.
- Re-write questions to use for exam purposes.
- Effective to assist students with SAA.

*Example: Which assessment findings would the nurse associate with Cushing's Disease? Select All That Apply.*

- Redesigned Case Studies with NGN.
- Add Multiple Matrix to existing cases.
- Change a question to a drop down.
- Handouts to Students

Ketoacidosis happens when [glucose, bicarbonate, potassium] cannot enter the [cells, tissue, vessels] to be used as a fuel. Then the [Liver, kidney, GI tract] breaks down [carbohydrates, protein, fat] for fuel.

Patient with Hyperglycemic Hyperosmolar Nonketotic Syndrome (HHNS) have different symptoms than those with DKA. Using the chart below place an 'X' next to the Symptoms in correlation with either HHNS or DKA

SYMPTOMS	HHNS	DKA
High blood sugar levels	x	x
Extreme thirst	x	x
Frequent urination	x	x
Confusion	x	x
Nausea/vomiting	x	x
High ketone levels in urine		x
Fruity-smelling breath		x
Rapid breathing		x
Fast heart rate	x	x
Fatigue		x
Slurred speech	x	
One-sided weakness	x	

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