

Clinical Hour Requirements for PMHNP program

Summer Semester NURS 5322 Diagnostics – 0 clinical hours

Clinical Expectations and Information

There are no clinical hours required for this course.

Summer Semester NURS 5113/5111 Advanced Assessment/Clinical- 64 clinical hours

Clinical hours for this course consist of assessing patients with a primary care preceptor. There are OPTIONAL on campus opportunities that count toward the hours.

Fall Semester NURS 5463/5473 Psychiatric Mental Health Advanced Practicum I/ Psychiatric Mental Health Advanced Practicum I Clinical – 192 hours

The 192 clinical hours required for this course are segmented in the following ways:

- 80 hours- Assessment and Medical Management of Acute and Chronic PMH issues in adults.
- 44 hours – Assessment and Medical Management of Acute and Chronic PMH issues in child and adolescents.
- 44 hours – Assessment and Medical Management of Acute and Chronic PMH issues in Geriatric patients.
- 16 hours – Individual, Group or Family Therapy
- 8 hours – Addiction

Spring Semester NURS 5483/5493 Psychiatric Mental Health Advanced Practicum II/Psychiatric Mental Health Advanced Practicum II Clinical - 192 clinical hours

Clinical Expectations and Information

The 192 Clinical hours required for this course are segmented in the following ways:

- 80 hours – Assessment and Medical Management of Acute and Chronic PMH issues in adults.
- 44 hours – Assessment and Medical Management of Acute and Chronic PMH issues in child and adolescents.
- 44 hours – Assessment and Medical Management of Acute and Chronic PMH issues in Geriatric patients.
- 16 hours – Individual, Group or Family Therapy
- 8 hours – Addiction

Summer Semester NURS 5523/5533 – Psychiatric Mental Health Advanced Practicum III/Psychiatric Mental Health Advanced Practicum III Clinical - 192 clinical hours

Clinical Expectations and Information

The 192 Clinical hours required for this course are segmented in the following ways:

- 104 hours – Assessment and Management of Acute and chronic PMH issues in adults
- 40 hours – Assessment and Management of Acute and chronic PMH issues in Geriatric persons
- 40 hours - Assessment and Management of Acute and chronic PMH issues in Child and Adolescent
- 8 hours – Therapy (can be individual group, family or addiction)

Other Information for PMHNP Clinicals

Acceptable preceptors for the clinical (medical management) experiences: Psychiatrist or Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner with prescriptive authority. *Preceptors must be board certified.*

Acceptable preceptors for therapy clinical experiences: licensed psychologist, LCSW-ACP (licensed clinical social worker-advanced clinical practitioner), LMFT (licensed marriage and family therapist), or LPC (licensed professional counselor).

Examples of acceptable therapy/counseling practice settings: Individual Counseling/Therapy Environments, psychologist's private or community practice; LCSW/LMFT/LCDC's private or community practice. *Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) and Narcotics Anonymous (NA) meetings are not acceptable venues for clinicals.*

Other acceptable therapy/counseling environments might include: individual or group counseling center, drug and alcohol treatment center, children's behavioral health type center, art therapy, music therapy, parenting guidance center, a developmental disabilities treatment center, a school guidance counseling center, rehabilitation center, retirement center, intake center for MHMR, intake for a public or private psychiatric center or hospital, just to name a few. Master's prepared counseling preceptors are required, doctoral prepared preceptors are preferred.

Students may be assigned a specific preceptor at the discretion of the PMHNP faculty. Otherwise, they will select their preceptors with approval by Dr. Mercer. Also, note that students can be removed from a clinical site and/or preceptor and placed at a different clinical site and/or preceptor at the discretion of their Professor. Faculty reserve the right to approve or disapprove any preceptor. Students may also be requested to complete additional clinical hours and complete additional clinical assignments as deemed necessary by Professor(s).