Academic Unit: School of Nursing

Course Number: NUR 703

Course Title: Doctor of Nursing Practice Clinical Immersion

Term Offered: Summer, Fall, and Spring

Credit Hours/Clock Hours: 1-9 credits/Variable

Course Pre-requisite: Admission to the DNP Program

Pre-or-C0-req: NUR 609

Mode of Instruction: In-person practicum

Instructor Name:

Instructor Contact Information:

Instructor Availability:

Course Description:
The students build on concepts and skills derived from DNP courses and will focus on developing advanced skills in integration and synthesis of practice and knowledge. This is a pass/fail course.

Course Purpose:
The purpose of this required course is to apply the essential concepts and foundational skills learned in the DNP courses to a clinical or population-related question. This practicum course takes place in a clinical or community setting and focuses on the development, integration, and implementation of advanced knowledge, skills, and attitudes. Practicum hours in the course center on a self-identified clinical problem or question and a variety of activities may be undertaken. The core focus of the course is directed toward the development, implementation, evaluation, and dissemination of the DNP scholarly project. Four credit hours are required, and students may take up to 9 credits of NUR 703; these may be taken at any time during the DNP curriculum.
Course Structure and Approach:
The course uses a faculty-guided integration and synthesis of practice and knowledge using a practical application in a clinical setting.

Student Learning Outcomes
Upon completion of the course, the successful student:

**Critical Reasoning** (DNP Essentials I, III, VII)
1. Integrate nursing science with knowledge from ethics, the biophysical, psychosocial, analytical, and organizational sciences as the basis for the highest level of nursing practice.

**Communication** (DNP Essentials I, II, III, IV, VI)
2. Develop the intervention plan for the scholarly inquiry project utilizing implementation models and change theories.
3. Design and implement processes to evaluate outcomes of practice, practice patterns, and systems of care within a practice setting.
4. Collect data relevant to scholarly inquiry.

**Professionalism and Professional Values** (DNP Essentials II, VIII)
5. Identify strategies to facilitate successful implementation of the DNP project.

Required Textbooks:


Recommended Textbooks


Assessment of Student Learning:

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Grading System:
This course is Pass/Fail. A passing grade is 84% and above. A failing grade is below 84%. A grade of 84% or better is required to pass a DNP graduate course. If a student earns less than 84% in a graduate course, the student must repeat the course.

Important:
*Each credit of NUR 703 requires 60 hours of practice immersion. Students not achieving the 60 hours of practice immersion per credit of NUR 703 may receive an in process (IP) for the semester. Hours need to be completed for the grade to be changed to pass/fail. Hours carried over to satisfy the in process are in addition to the new semester hours, as applicable.*

Course Policies:
1. Students are accountable and responsible for knowledge and skills obtained in prerequisite courses.
2. Students are expected to complete all reading assignments, all written assignments, and to participate in discussions.
3. Assignments must be written in the American Psychological Association (APA) format 6th edition – most recent printing.
4. Assignments must be submitted through Bb Learn.
5. Microsoft Word (.doc or .docx) is the required word processing program for uploading papers as attachments.
6. Unless otherwise noted, assignments are due by 11:59 pm on the due date.
7. Late assignments, if accepted, will incur a point deduction of 10% per day. Extenuating circumstances (circumstances beyond the student’s control) resulting in a late submission will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.
8. It is expected that students conform to and comply with the Northern Arizona University’s Graduate Student Handbook and the SON Graduate Student Handbook.
9. Oral or written material belonging to another author that is not properly documented and represented as the student’s own work constitutes plagiarism.
   a. Quotation marks should be used to indicate exact words of another. A page number is required.
   b. Paraphrasing is a summary referring to ideas of another author or source but does not use the same wording or word sequencing and must be cited. No page number required.
c. If the same words are used but they are rearranged, or if words are added, the comment is to be “quoted” and then [brackets] are placed around the added word(s) or change(s) to the quote and must be cited. Page number is required.
d. Each time a source is quoted or paraphrased, credit for the source must be included in the text and in the references section at the end of the document.
e. Refer to the APA manual proper application of in-text citations and referencing.

University Policies:
Please refer to this document for important university policies that apply to all graduate courses. [http://nau.edu/OCLDAA/_Forms/UCC/SyllabusPolicyStmts2-2014/](http://nau.edu/OCLDAA/_Forms/UCC/SyllabusPolicyStmts2-2014/)

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