



Nurs 7601 – Adult/Gerontology, Family, & Pediatric Practicum I

The first in a series of six clinical courses, this course introduces the Primary Care Nurse Practitioner student to the role of the independent nurse practitioner. The student will apply evidence based didactic knowledge and clinical skills under the supervision of a faculty or clinical preceptor. The focus of this semester is on application of techniques of patient history taking, performing an appropriate physical assessment and beginning to identify differential diagnoses for the provision of primary health care in the outpatient setting.

Course Objectives:

The Primary Care DNP Nurse Practitioner student will:

1. Identify and obtain pertinent subjective and objective data based on history, physical exam and chart review.
2. Identify potential differential diagnoses related to the current chief complaint and patient presentation.
3. Demonstrate basic knowledge and application of evidence-based practice, principles and theory from previous and current didactic courses.
4. Demonstrate basic knowledge of the various roles of the inter-professional team and referral practices.
5. Demonstrate knowledge of the differences between leadership and volunteer activities and how these apply to healthcare, healthcare policy and the DNP role.