

Clinical Requirements

Psychiatric-Mental Health BSN to DNP

Psych-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner

Clinical Course	Clinical Focus	Acceptable Clinical Sites	Acceptable Preceptors
ANPS8020: Practicum I 3 credits 168 clinical hours total (12 hours/week on average) • Approval for telepsychiatry to be on a case-by-case basis. Students must appeal to Program Director for approval. • Focus: Psychotherapy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn initial aspects of Assessment and Diagnosis of Psychiatric Disorders using DSM 5 Utilize theory and best practices in the choice of counseling techniques with individuals exhibiting specific diagnoses Conduct an on-going risk assessment for suicide, homicide, violence, etc. Assess the impact of acute and chronic medical problems on psychiatric treatment Apply components of culture, diversity, and recovery to the development of a treatment plan Plan systems interventions utilizing evidence-based practice Incorporate screening guidelines into plan of care to foster health promotion/ risk reduction. Plan educational interventions to foster patient understanding of mental illness and treatment. Show skill at maintaining the therapeutic relationship with individual and group clients Apply evidence-based therapy with individuals or groups 	This clinical is exclusively focused on psychotherapy. Clinic examples include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outpatient Inpatient Substance use Correctional Private practice Partial Hospitalization Intensive Outpatient Schools 	Preceptor must be licensed to do psychotherapy in their state. Examples include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social Workers Counselors/Therapists Psychologists Substance Abuse Counselors Group therapists Providers must be able to meet with student to discuss therapy sessions and to supervise/assist student's growth as a psychotherapist. **Psych NPs and Psychiatrists do not qualify, as they tend not to focus enough on psychotherapy to provide adequate learning opportunities for students.
ANPS8022: Practicum II 3 credits 168 clinical hours total (12 hours/week on average) • Telepsych OK per guidelines • Focus: Diagnostics & Medication Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Become skilled in the Assessment and Diagnostic processes Perform a comprehensive mental status exam on a variety of patients and integrate physical and mental health findings. Construct a plan of care based on evidence-based practice and current guidelines within cultural and financial constraints Begin initial ability to collaborate and contribute to the ongoing team Begin to integrate psychopharmacology into treatment Function independently in the diagnostic process and the development of the treatment plan Plan educational interventions to foster patient understanding of mental illness and treatment 	Clinic examples include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outpatient Inpatient Substance use Correctional Private practice Partial Hospitalization Intensive Outpatient Schools Telepsychiatry 	The acceptable preceptors listed below must have prescribing privileges: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PMHNP-BC PMHCNS-BC Psychiatrist (board certified or board eligible)
ANPS8024: Practicum III 3 credits 168 clinical hours total (12 hours/week on average) • Telepsych OK per guidelines • Focus: Synthesis of all learnings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate competence in the assessment, diagnosis, care, and evaluation of patient care utilizing pharmacological and non-pharmacological interventions, including group and individual therapy. Apply evidence-based practices. Construct a plan of care and evaluate outcomes utilizing evidence-based practice and current guidelines within cultural, legal, ethical and financial constraints. Collaborate with the health care team in making patient care decisions and evaluating outcomes. Illustrate the Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner role. 	Clinic examples include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outpatient Inpatient Substance use Correctional Private practice Partial Hospitalization Intensive Outpatient Schools Telepsychiatry 	The acceptable preceptors listed below must have prescribing privileges: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PMHNP-BC PMHCNS-BC Psychiatrist (board certified or board eligible)

- It is acceptable to have more than 1 preceptor for each clinical course. However, you should not have more than 2 preceptors per semester.
- Up to 204 clinical hours may be earned utilizing telepsychiatry educational modality. Student must have 100 in-person hours in each of 3 age demographics.