

CLARKSON COLLEGE – GRADUATE NURSING PROGRAM

ADULT GERONTOLOGY ACUTE CARE NURSE PRACTITIONER
CLINICAL ROTATION INFORMATION

Clinical Settings & Preceptors by Course, including Hours Requirements

Course	Setting* & Type of Preceptor	Observation Hours	Conference Hours	Maximum Specialty Hours	Total Hours
NS 830*	Family Practice; Internal Medicine (clinic setting)	0	0	0	50
NS 861	Hospitalist Sub-acute or Acute Care Short Stay Units	8 to 10	8	40	120
NS 862	Hospitalist-Med/Surg Units	8 to 10	8	50	160
NS 863**	Hospitalist-Stepdown Unit; Urgent Care	8 to 10	8	40	160
NS 864**	Intensive Care Unit (ICU); Emergency Room (ER)	8 to 10	8	56	160

*Adult Gerontology Acute Care NP students can do Family Practice (FP) or Internal Medicine (IM). Students should assess and manage a client base that includes adolescents and young, middle, and older adults.

**Preceptor types for NS 863 and NS 864 can be interchanged.

Clinical & Preceptor Guidelines

1. Preceptors & Clinical Sites

***All preceptors must be currently licensed in the state where you intend to do your clinical.**

Appropriate Preceptors*

Physician (MD)

Osteopathic physicians (DO)

Physician’s assistants (PA)

Nurse practitioner (NP)

*PAs cannot be used as preceptors in Florida, Oklahoma, or Washington State.

Acceptable Clinical Sites

Specialty clinics

Outpatient primary care clinics

Rural health clinics

Urgent care clinics

Hospitals

Clinical Settings for Pre-Approved Specialty Hours*

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- * All other specialties require faculty approval.
- ✓ No specialty hours may be done in NS 830.
- ◇ Aesthetic dermatology is not allowed as a specialty.

Specialty Area	NS 830✓	NS 861	NS 862	NS 863	NS 864
Surgery Team	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Palliative Care	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Internal Medicine	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Dermatology◇	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cardiology	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Orthopedics	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Emergency or Urgent Care	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Urology	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Endocrinology	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hospitalist	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Neurology	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Oncology	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

2. All preceptors must have at least two (2) years of experience (no exceptions).
3. All preceptors must be practicing in an area related to content in the course in which you are registered.
4. You **may not** use any family relation as a preceptor. Any preceptorship hours completed with a family member will not be included in the total clinical preceptorship hours.
5. Students who complete clinical hours at their current place of employment must do so in a department OTHER THAN the one in which they are employed.
6. Students who are employed at/with Nebraska Medicine must contact the Director BEFORE completing preceptor hours to obtain a different log-on user ID for EPIC (charting).
7. Approval of Conference and Observation Hours:
 - Conference hours must be approved by faculty BEFORE the conference and must pertain to the course.
 - Observation Hours must be approved by faculty BEFORE the observation.
 - Do not require DocuSign paperwork.
 - **You will NOT engage in hands-on care during observation hours.**
 - Must be logged in TYPHON just like primary and specialty hours. Observation preceptors are not automatically added to TYPHON; you will need to submit a REQUEST ADDITION of the observation preceptor OR contact your advisor to request the addition.
8. You should maintain (i.e., assess and manage) a client base that includes adolescents and young, middle, and older adults only.

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9. You must have an agreement for ALL providers with whom you see patients, including partners in a practice.
10. You must fill out a new Nurse Practitioner Clinical/Practicum Site & Preceptor Agreement Form for every preceptor, every course, and every semester. **This is required even when you use preceptor and facility more than once.**

Additional Guidelines

- You may work with no more than two preceptors for a clinical course. If you wish to (or need to) work with more than 2 preceptors, you will need written approval from your course faculty.
- 50% of the required clinical hours must be completed at midterm in order to receive a passing grade at midterm

Required Clinical Experiences

All required clinical experiences (e.g., care of a patient with type 2 diabetes, care of a patient with GERD, etc.) must be documented in Typhon for you to receive credit.

Required Clinical Competencies & Skills

- 10 Chest pain evaluations (ACS, Rule-out ACS)
- 10 Pneumonia (CAP, HAP, VAP)
- 10 Kidney Management-Acute Kidney Injury/Acute Tubular Necrosis Dialysis
- 7 Acute Heart Failure Exacerbations
- 7 COPD/Asthma Management/Exacerbations
- 7 Arrhythmia Management (Atrial fibrillation RVR, SVT, Bradycardias, Code)
- 5 DKA/Inpatient Diabetes Management
- 5 Pancreatitis, Cholangitis, Choledocholithiasis
- 5 Neurologic Cases: Stroke, Seizure, Headache, Delirium
- 5 Acid Base Imbalances/Electrolyte Disturbances (specifically hyponatremia)
- 5 Oxygenation and Ventilation: High-Flow Supplemental Oxygen/Non-invasive Ventilation Management/Mechanic Ventilation
- 5 Pulmonary Embolism/DVT
- 5 Urinary Tract Infections, Pyelonephritis
- 3 Acute GI Bleed, Decompensated Liver Cirrhosis
- 3 Anemia/work-up
- 3 Hypertensive Urgency/Emergency
- 3 Substance Abuse/Toxicities/Alcohol Withdrawal
- 2 GI Surgical Cases (Appendicitis, cholecystitis)

Recommended Specialty Experiences

- 2 Oncology (solid organ tumors, oncology emergencies)
- 2 Hematologic Disorders (ITP, HIT, DIC)
- 2 ENT Disorders
- 2 Orthopedic Cases
- 2 Pre-operative Surgical Evaluations

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- 2 Trauma/Burn/Solid Organ Transplant
- 2 Palliative Care/Goals of Care discussions

Paperwork Deadlines & DocuSign Process

- These deadlines reflect the day by which all students are required to have completed and submitted a Nurse Practitioner Clinical/Practicum Site & Preceptor Agreement Form for an upcoming clinical/practicum course.

<u>Semester</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
Spring	1 November
Summer	1 March
Fall	1 June

- **Students who have not completed and submitted a Nurse Practitioner Clinical/Practicum Site & Preceptor Agreement Form will not be allowed to enroll (i.e., register) for a clinical (i.e., practicum) course.**
- **Exceptions will be made for students who submit requests for placement in My Clinical Exchange or who experience unavoidable preceptor changes (e.g., the preceptor declines to accept the student once confirmed).**

Note: **You may not attend ANY clinical (practicum) hours until all paperwork is completed.** All students must receive approval from course faculty as well as a completion email from DocuSign indicating the process has been complete. Any clinical (practicum) hours completed prior to final completion will not be included in the total clinical (practicum) hours required for completion of the course.

DocuSign Process

<u>Step</u>	<u>Responsible Party</u>	<u>Action</u>
1	Student	Student initiates Nurse Practitioner Clinical/Practicum Site & Preceptor Agreement Form Note: The only exceptions <u>considered</u> are for students who submit placement requests in My Clinical Exchange or for unavoidable preceptor changes, such as the preceptor declining to have the student follow him/her.
2	Compliance Department	Completes the DocuSign agreement and sends the document back to the student to upload into the clinical course.

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		Note: If the document is not complete by the end of the first week, <u>the student is responsible for speaking with course faculty</u> regarding options for remaining in the course or withdrawing from the course.
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NOTE: Preceptor and clinical sites will not be added into Typhon without DocuSign paperwork being completed.

Upon completion of DocuSign paperwork and the start of the academic term (semester), you are expected to evenly distribute clinical hours over the course of the semester*. The exception to this requirement is NS 830; students will not be allowed to begin clinical (practicum) hours until they have successfully completed Graduate Weekend.

***DO NOT frontload or backload your clinical hours. If your paperwork is not complete by the start of the semester, you must reach out to course faculty immediately to inform them where you are in the process. If specialty preceptor paperwork is complete by the first day of the course, but primary preceptor paperwork is not, the student will need to contact course faculty.**

If you, as a student, your preceptor have any questions concerning DocuSign please direct them to willand.ali@clarksoncollege.edu