The University of Texas at Arlington
College of Nursing and Health Innovation
NURS 5450 Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Clinical Practice
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Section Information: NURS 5450 Sections 010, 011

Time and Place of Class Meetings: Course-related activities will be online in Blackboard.

Description of Course Content: Integration of clinical management of the high-risk neonate through clinical preceptorships in selected health practice sites with application of knowledge, skills and concepts in a guided, progressive context of advanced nursing practice.

Other Requirements: Prerequisites: NURS 5316, NURS 5204, NURS 5334.
Pre-requisite or co-requisite: NURS 5537.

Student Learning Outcomes:
1. Assess, diagnose, and manage the high-risk neonate with acute and critical, single and multi-system health problems using evidence-based knowledge.
2. Use pharmacological and technological therapies in management of the high-risk neonate's complex acute and critical illness.
3. Collaborates with other health professionals to promote quality health outcomes for acutely and critically ill neonate and their families.
4. Use research to examine outcomes of Neonatal Nurse Practitioner practice.

Required Textbooks and Other Course Materials: None

Descriptions of major assignments and examinations with due dates:

Successful completion of this course requires:

- **240 hours of preceptored clinical hours in a Level III or IV NICU**
- All clinical encounters documented in Typhon within one week of the experience
- Satisfactory preceptor evaluation of student
- Score of at least 80% on faculty evaluation of student performance
- Participation in the clinical journal, online discussion of cases, and submission of SOAP notes

Assignments	Due Dates	Grading criteria
Clinical journal (online)	ongoing	pass/fail
SOAP notes	ongoing	pass/fail
Online discussions of clinical cases	ongoing	pass/fail
Typhon case logs & time logs	ongoing	pass/fail

Grading Policy: Students are expected to keep track of their performance throughout the semester and seek guidance from available sources (including the instructor) if their performance drops below satisfactory levels. Graded F,R,P,W.

Course Grading Scale

A = 90 to 100%
B = 80 to 89%
C = 70 to 79% - cannot progress
D = 60 to 69% - cannot progress
F = below 60 – cannot progress

Attendance Policy: At the University of Texas at Arlington, taking attendance is not required. Rather, each faculty member is free to develop his or her own methods of evaluating students' academic performance, which includes establishing course-specific policies on attendance. As the instructor of this section, I expect all students to participate in all online activities and I document that participation.

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Drop Policy: Graduate students who wish to change a schedule by either dropping or adding a course must first consult with their Graduate Advisor.

Regulations pertaining to adding or dropping courses are described below. Adds and drops may be made through late registration either on the Web at MyMav or in person through the student's academic department. Drops can continue through a point two-thirds of the way through the term or session. It is the student's responsibility to officially withdraw if they do not plan to attend after registering. **Students will not be automatically dropped for non-attendance**. Repayment of certain types of financial aid administered through the University may be required as the result of dropping classes or withdrawing. Contact the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships at http://www.uta.edu/fao/ . The last day to drop a course is listed in the Academic Calendar available at http://www.uta.edu/uta/acadcal.php?session=20146

1. A student may not add a course after the end of late registration.
2. A student dropping a graduate course after the Census Date but on or before the last day to drop may receive a grade of W. Students dropping a course must:
   (1) Contact your graduate advisor to obtain the drop form and further instructions before the last day to drop.

Census Day: February 1, 2017
Last day to drop or withdraw March 31, 2017 by 4:00 p.m.

Disability Accommodations: UT Arlington is on record as being committed to both the spirit and letter of all federal equal opportunity legislation, including *The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), The Americans with Disabilities Amendments Act (ADAAA),* and *Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act.* All instructors at UT Arlington are required by law to provide "reasonable accommodations" to students with disabilities, so as not to discriminate on the basis of disability. Students are responsible for providing the instructor with official notification in the form of **a letter certified** by the Office for Students with Disabilities (OSD). Only those students who have officially documented a need for an accommodation will have their request honored. Students experiencing a range of conditions (Physical, Learning, Chronic Health, Mental Health, and Sensory) that may cause diminished academic performance or other barriers to learning may seek services and/or accommodations by contacting:

The Office for Students with Disabilities, (OSD) www.uta.edu/disability or calling 817-272-3364. Information regarding diagnostic criteria and policies for obtaining disability-based academic accommodations can be found at www.uta.edu/disability.

Counseling and Psychological Services, (CAPS) www.uta.edu/caps/ or calling 817-272-3671 is also available to all students to help increase their understanding of personal issues, address mental and behavioral health problems and make positive changes in their lives.

Non-Discrimination Policy: *The University of Texas at Arlington does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, gender, sexual orientation, disabilities, genetic information, and/or veteran status in its educational programs or activities it operates. For more information, visit uta.edu/eos.*

Title IX Policy: The University of Texas at Arlington ("University") is committed to maintaining a learning and working environment that is free from discrimination based on sex in accordance with Title IX of the Higher Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in educational programs or activities; Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VII), which prohibits sex discrimination in employment; and the Campus Sexual Violence Elimination Act (SaVE Act). Sexual misconduct is a form of sex discrimination and will not be tolerated. *For information regarding Title IX, visit* www.uta.edu/titleIX or contact Ms. Jean Hood, Vice President and Title IX Coordinator at (817) 272-7091 or jmhood@uta.edu.

Academic Integrity: All students enrolled in this course are expected to adhere to the UT Arlington Honor Code:

> *I pledge, on my honor, to uphold UT Arlington's tradition of academic integrity, a tradition that values hard work and honest effort in the pursuit of academic excellence.*

I promise that I will submit only work that I personally create or contribute to group collaborations, and I will appropriately reference any work from other sources. I will follow the highest standards of integrity and uphold the spirit of the Honor Code.

UT Arlington faculty members may employ the Honor Code as they see fit in their courses, including (but not limited to) having students acknowledge the honor code as part of an examination or requiring students to incorporate the honor code into any work submitted.

Per UT System Regents' Rule 50101, §2.2, suspected violations of university's standards for academic integrity (including the Honor Code) will be referred to the Office of Student Conduct. Violators will be disciplined in accordance with the University policy, which may result in the student's suspension or expulsion from the University. Additional information is available at https://www.uta.edu/conduct/.

"Scholastic dishonesty includes but is not limited to cheating, plagiarism, collusion, the submission for credit of any work or materials that are attributable in whole or in part to another person, taking an examination for another person, any act designed to give unfair advantage to a student or the attempt to commit such acts."

As a licensed registered nurse, graduate students are expected to demonstrate professional conduct as set forth in the Texas Board of Nursing rule **§215.8. in the event that a graduate student holding an RN license is found to have engaged in academic dishonesty, the college may report the nurse to the Texas BON using rule §215.8 as a guide.**

Plagiarism: Copying another student's paper or any portion of it is plagiarism. Copying a portion of published material (e.g., books or journals) without adequately documenting the source is plagiarism. Consistent with APA format, if five or more words in sequence are taken from a source, those words must be placed in quotes and the source referenced with author's name, date of publication, and page number of publication. If the author's ideas are rephrased, by transposing words or expressing the same idea using different words, the idea must be attributed to the author by proper referencing giving the author's name and date of publication. If a single author's ideas are discussed in more than one paragraph, the author must be referenced, according to APA format. Authors whose words or ideas have been used in the preparation of a paper must be listed in the references cited at the end of the paper. Students are expected to review the plagiarism module from the UT Arlington Central Library via http://library.uta.edu/plagiarism/index.html

Student Support Services: UT Arlington provides a variety of resources and programs designed to help students develop academic skills, deal with personal situations, and better understand concepts and information related to their courses. Resources include tutoring, major-based learning centers, developmental education, advising and mentoring, personal counseling, and federally funded programs. For individualized referrals, students may visit the reception desk at University College (Ransom Hall), call the Maverick Resource Hotline at 817-272-6107, send a message to resources@uta.edu, or view the information at http://www.uta.edu/universitycollege/resources/index.php.

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The English Writing Center (411LIBR): The Writing Center Offers free tutoring in 20-, 40-, or 60-minute face-to-face and online sessions to all UTA students on any phase of their UTA coursework. Our hours are 9 am to 8 pm Mon.-Thurs., 9 am-3 pm Fri. and Noon-6 pm Sat. and Sun. Register and make appointments online at http://uta.mywconline.com. Classroom Visits, workshops, and specialized services for graduate students are also available. Please see www.uta.edu/owl for detailed information on all our programs and services.

The Library's 2nd floor Academic Plaza offers students a central hub of support services, including IDEAS Center, University Advising Services, Transfer UTA and various college/school advising hours. Services are available during the library's hours of operation. http://library.uta.edu/academic-plaza

Student Success Faculty: In order to assist masters nursing students who are at academic risk or who need academic support, there are graduate faculty members available to you. The goal of the success faculty members is to support student achievement in masters-level coursework so students can reach their educational goals. Students may contact a success faculty member directly, or a course instructor may encourage you to contact a success faculty member.

The success faculty in the MSN Program:

Dr. Donelle Barnes is available as a writing coach to assist students in the MSN Core courses; theory, research, and evidence based practice. Since these courses are writing intensive, Dr. Barnes can help students improve the clarity and organization of their written papers. She can be reached via email: donelle@uta.edu.

Dr. Mary Schira is available as a success faculty to assist with diverse resources that may include study skills, testing challenges/approaches, managing multiple responsibilities, and addressing personal issues impacting academic performance. Course content challenges may also be addressed, with referral to additional resources as indicated. Dr. Schira can be reached via email: schira@uta.edu.

Campus Carry: Effective August 1, 2016, the Campus Carry law (Senate Bill 11) allows those licensed individuals to carry a concealed handgun in buildings on public university campuses, except in locations the University establishes as prohibited. Under the new law, openly carrying handguns is not allowed on college campuses. For more information, visit http://www.uta.edu/news/info/campus-carry/

Electronic Communication: UT Arlington has adopted MavMail as its official means to communicate with students about important deadlines and events, as well as to transact university-related business regarding financial aid, tuition, grades, graduation, etc. **All students are assigned a MavMail account and are responsible for checking the inbox regularly.** There is no additional charge to students for using this account, which remains active even after graduation. Information about activating and using MavMail is available at http://www.uta.edu/oit/cs/email/mavmail.php.

If you are unable to resolve your issue contact the Helpdesk at helpdesk@uta.edu.

Student Feedback Survey: At the end of each term, students enrolled in face-to-face and online classes categorized as "lecture," "seminar," or "laboratory" are directed to complete an online Student Feedback Survey (SFS). Instructions on how to access the SFS for this course will be sent directly to each student through MavMail approximately 10 days before the end of the term. Each student's feedback via the SFS database is aggregated with that of other students enrolled in the course. Students' anonymity will be protected to the extent that the law allows. UT Arlington's effort to solicit, gather, tabulate, and publish student feedback is required by state law and aggregate results are posted online. Data from SFS is also used for faculty and program evaluations. For more information, visit http://www.uta.edu/sfs.

Final Review Week: for semester-long courses**,** a period of five class days prior to the first day of final examinations in the long sessions shall be designated as Final Review Week. The purpose of this week is to allow students sufficient time to prepare for final examinations. During this week, there shall be no scheduled activities such as required field trips or performances; and no instructor shall assign any themes, research problems or exercises of similar scope that have a completion date during or following this week *unless specified in the class syllabus*. During Final Review Week, an instructor shall not give any examinations constituting 10% or more of the final grade, except makeup tests and laboratory examinations. In addition, no instructor shall give any portion of the final examination during Final Review Week. During this week, classes are held as scheduled. In addition, instructors are not required to limit content to topics that have been previously covered; they may introduce new concepts as appropriate.

Librarian to Contact:

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Contact all nursing librarians:
library-nursing@listserv.uta.edu

Helpful Direct Links to the UTA Libraries' Resources

Research Information on Nursing	**http://libguides.uta.edu/nursing**
Library Home Page	http://library.uta.edu/

Subject Guides	http://libguides.uta.edu
Ask us	http://ask.uta.edu
Database List	http://libguides.uta.edu/az.php
Course Reserves	http://pulse.uta.edu/vwebv/enterCourseReserve.do
Library Catalog	http://uta.summon.serialssolutions.com/#!/
E-Journals	http://pulse.uta.edu/vwebv/searchSubject
Library Tutorials	library.uta.edu/how-to
Connecting from Off- Campus	http://libguides.uta.edu/offcampus
Academic Plaza Consultation Services	library.uta.edu/academic-plaza
Study Room Reservations	openroom.uta.edu/

For help with APA formatting, you can go to:

1) http://libguides.uta.edu
2) Scroll down and click on "Nursing"
3) Click on "APA Guide" for advice on various aspects of paper writing. This is a short-cut for the APA Manual. When in doubt, refer to the Manual.

Course Schedule: In addition to the clinical experiences in the course, there will be ongoing, online activities in Blackboard throughout the semester.

UTA College of Nursing and Health Innovation - Additional Information:

Clinical Evaluations: In order to pass, each student must receive a passing grade (minimum of 80%) on the faculty evaluation of the student's clinical performance (Nurse Practitioner Clinical Evaluation). Students who fail a faculty evaluation have a one-time option to retake the practicum. A second faculty member will be present during the clinical performance retake. If the student passes the clinical performance retake (minimum of 80%), the **maximum** grade the student can receive for the exam for purposes of grade calculation is 80%. If the student fails the retake, the student will receive a grade of "F" for the course.

Clinical Clearance: All students must have current immunizations to legally perform clinical hours each semester. If your clinical clearance is not current, you will be unable to do clinical hours that are required for this course and this would result in course failure.
Please visit the "clinical coordinator" organization on Black Board (Bb) for all your clinical clearance questions or contact your clinical coordinators for clinical clearance questions.
Janyth Mauricio janyth.mauricio@uta.edu (students A-L)
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Student Requirement for Preceptor Agreements/Packets:

1. You must submit an online survey to "propose your site and preceptor". You can find the survey in Step 4 in Bb's "clinical coordinator" organization. Your preceptor and clinical

site must be approved by your clinical coordinator **PRIOR** to completing any clinical hours.

2. After your site and preceptor are approved, submit a **preceptor packet** (*preceptor agreement and preceptor bio)* to your clinical coordinator **TWO WEEKS** before you begin your clinical hours. The *preceptor packet* can be found in Step 5 of Bb. The *preceptor agreement* **must be signed and dated** by the student and the preceptor. The *preceptor bio* is not necessary if the preceptor is already in Typhon.
3. The signed/completed agreement is part of the clinical clearance process. **FAILURE TO SUBMIT TWO WEEKS BEFORE YOUR CLINICAL START DAY WILL RESULT IN INABILITY TO DO YOUR CLINICAL HOURS AND DENIED ACCESS TO THE TYPHON SYSTEM.**

Clinical Electronic Logs:
During your first clinical semester you will receive a link to Typhon along with your unique login username and password. **You will receive Typhon access after the online survey has been submitted, your preceptor and site are approved, and you have submitted a preceptor packet to your clinical coordinator.**
Students are required to enter all patient encounters into the Typhon Group Healthcare Solutions ("Typhon") electronic log system. **YOU ONLY HAVE 7 DAYS TO ENTER YOUR CASE LOGS AND TIME LOGS FROM THE DAY OF YOUR CLINICAL EXPERIENCE. Failure to log cases/hours within 7 days will results in a loss of those hours.** Typhon is both a student learning opportunity and an evaluation method for your clinical courses. Patient encounters include patients the student assesses, diagnoses, and manages as part of their clinical coursework. Individual clinical courses may have additional guidelines/requirements related to their specific course and will be noted in the course syllabus (e.g. types of encounter required, number of patients required during course).
Students can access their Typhon account by entering their own unique username and password which will be accessible their first clinical semester.
The student's electronic log data provides a description of the patients managed during the student's clinical experience, including the number of patients, diagnoses of patients, and the type of interventions initiated. As a result, the data is an essential requirement of the student's clinical experience and is used to evaluate student clinical performance. The data is also used to meet course requirements and to evaluate student clinical performance. Upon completion of the Program, students will have access to an executive summary of their log entries through Typhon for their professional portfolio.

Students are expected to enter information accurately so faculty may verify/validate the information provided. Falsifying and/or misrepresenting patient encounter data is considered academic dishonesty.

Status of RN Licensure: All graduate nursing students must have an unencumbered license as designated by the Texas Board of Nursing (BON) to participate in graduate clinical nursing courses. It is also imperative that any student whose license becomes encumbered by the BON must immediately notify the Associate Dean, Department of Graduate Nursing. The complete policy about encumbered licenses is available online at: www.bon.state.tx.us

MSN Graduate Student Dress Code: The College of Nursing and Health Innovation expects students to reflect professionalism and maintain high standards of appearance and grooming in the clinical setting. Students must adhere to the Dress Code Policy. www.uta.edu/nursing/file_download/234/BSNDressCode.pdf **Clinical faculty has final judgment on the appropriateness of student attire and corrective action for dress code infractions. Students not complying with this policy will not be allowed to participate in clinical.**

UTA Student Identification: MSN Students MUST be clearly identified as UTA Graduate Students and wear a UTA College of Nursing and Health Innovation ID in the clinical environment.

Unsafe Clinical Behaviors: Students deemed unsafe or incompetent will fail the course and receive a course grade of "F". **Any of the following behaviors constitute a clinical failure**:

1. Fails to follow standards of professional practice as detailed by the Texas Nursing Practice Act * (available at www.bon.state.tx.us)
2. Unable to accept and/or act on constructive feedback.
3. Needs continuous, specific, and detailed supervision for the expected course performance.
4. Unable to implement advanced clinical behaviors required by the course.
5. Fails to complete required clinical assignments.
6. Falsifies clinical hours.
7. Violates student confidentiality agreement.

*Students should also be aware that violation of the Nursing Practice Act is a "reportable offense" to the Texas Board of Nurse Examiners.

Blood and Body Fluids Exposure: A Health Verification form was signed by all MSN students at start of the program documenting personal health insurance coverage. All MSN students have mandatory health insurance and will need to manage exposure to blood and fluids. Current CDC guidelines can be found at: http://www.cdc.gov/

Ebola exposure: Please inform your faculty if you have been in contact with anyone who has Ebola/have traveled to a country that has Ebola virus.

Confidentiality Agreement: You signed a Confidentiality Form in orientation and were provided a copy of the form. Please take your copy of this Confidentiality Form with you to your clinical sites. **Please do not sign** other agency confidentiality forms. Contact your faculty if the agency requires you to sign their confidentiality form.

Graduate Student Handbook: Students are responsible for knowing and complying with all policies and information contained in the Graduate Student handbook online at: http://www.uta.edu/conhi/students/msn-resources/index.php

Student Code of Ethics: The University of Texas at Arlington College of Nursing and Health Innovation supports the Student Code of Ethics Policy. Students are responsible for knowing

and complying with the Code. The Code can be found in the student handbook online: http://www.uta.edu/conhi/students/msn-resources/index.php

No Gift Policy: In accordance with Regent Rules and Regulations and the UTA Standards of Conduct, the College of Nursing and Health Innovation has a "no gift" policy. A donation to one of the UTA College of Nursing and Health Innovation Scholarship Funds, found at the following link: is http://www.uta.edu/conhi/students/scholarships/index.php would be an appropriate way to recognize a faculty member's contribution to your learning. For information regarding Scholarship Funds, please contact the Dean's office.

Online Conduct: The discussion board should be viewed as a public and professional forum for course-related discussions. Students are free to discuss academic matters and consult one another regarding academic resources. The tone of postings should be professional in nature.

It is not appropriate to post statements of a personal or political nature, or statements criticizing classmates or faculty. Inappropriate statements/language will be deleted by the course faculty and may result in denied access to the Discussion boards. Refer to UTA CONHI Graduate Student Handbook for more information.

For this course Blackboard communication tools, discussion boards, and UTA MAV email will be used extensively and should be checked often.

Emergency Phone Numbers: In case of an on-campus emergency, call the UT Arlington Police Department at 817-272-3003 (non-campus phone), 2-3003 (campus phone). You may also dial 911. For non-emergencies, call 817-272-3381.

Graduate Nursing Support Staff

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DAILY CLINICAL LOG (240 Clinical hours required)

Student name: _____ Faculty: _____

(Daily) Clinical Hour Tally Sheet

Date	_ / _								**Totals**
NICU Number of Hours									
Number of Patients									
notes									

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FACULTY SIGNATURE:_____ COURSE TOTAL:_____

Preceptor Signature(s) **Date(s)**

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NURSE PRACTITIONER CLINICAL OBJECTIVES

1. Provide evidence of clinical skills in performing advanced health assessments to include:

    a. collecting a complete health history
    b. examining all body systems
    c. collect additional data as needed (labs, x-rays, etc.)
    d. making appropriate decisions regarding priority needs for data collection (subjective and objective)
    e. determining which problems/data collection can be deferred until later
    f. making an appropriate and accurate assessment of client's health status (rule outs, differential diagnoses, nursing diagnoses, etc.)
    g. presenting pertinent data to preceptor in a succinct manner
    h. presenting a cost-effective, clinically sound plan of care which may include:
        1) advanced nursing management
        2) medical intervention
        3) pharmacotherapeutics
        4) diagnostic testing
        5) teaching/counseling
        6) follow-up plan
    i. discussing with preceptor personal strengths and needed areas of improvement

2. Show increasing evidence of ability to develop, implement and evaluate an appropriate management plan for newborns in the neonatal intensive care unit.

3. Show increasing evidence of ability to develop, implement and evaluate an appropriate plan for health maintenance and health promotion of clients.

4. Show evidence of ability to integrate health promotion/disease prevention activities into each client encounter.

5. Provide evidence of advanced nursing activities to promote and maintain health of infants.

6. Demonstrate ability to provide quality, culturally sensitive health care for individuals of diverse cultural and ethnic backgrounds.

7. Provide evidence of the ability to formulate and administer advanced nursing care and medical therapeutics in a variety of setting.

8. Integrate current research findings into the development and implementation of health care for children and their families.

9. Continue personal development of the various roles of the nurse practitioner as evidenced by didactic and clinical work.

GUIDELINES FOR CLINICAL EXPERIENCES

1. **Use of Protocol Manuals:**
   Occasionally, students encounter preceptor sites that do not use formal protocols. It is recommended that students select a published protocol book to use in these circumstances. The selected reference should be discussed with and reviewed by the clinical preceptor. If agreeable, the protocols will be the basis for your care with appropriate modifications as necessary in that clinical site.

2. **Documentation of Care:**
   The UTA College of Nursing Nurse Practitioner Program requires a wide variety of clinical hours which necessitates the student to obtain experiences in numerous settings. The student is expected to appropriately, thoroughly, and accurately document each client encounter on the client's health record, i.e., SOAP notes, clinical summaries, etc. All entries made by the student in the client's health record should be reviewed by the preceptor. Documentation will be co-signed by the preceptor as appropriate for the clinical site. If you are in a site using an Electronic Medical Record, you may be required to do SOAP notes in the clinical setting to document your care at the request of your clinical faculty and/or preceptor.

3. **Clinical Preceptors:**
   Guidelines for the selection of preceptors are included in the "Preceptor Agreement Packet." Please note that the "Letter of Agreement" in the packet MUST be signed and on file at UTA BEFORE clinical experiences commence at the site. {Students are expected to negotiate their clinical objectives and number of hours with each preceptor.} Your clinical preceptor is responsible to see EVERY patient that you see.