PAS 4940  Psychiatry Clerkship

Course Description: This clinical course in a psychiatric care setting will allow students to participate in daily rounds and become knowledgeable about the use of psychotropic medications for psychiatric disorders. Group therapy sessions will be a major part of the learning experience. (2 credit hours) Pre-Req PAS 3010C, 3029, 3CCC, 3HHHC, 3LLL 3LLL.

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| **Competency 1:** The student will demonstrate competence in patient care and apply clinical skills by: | • Communication  
• Critical thinking  
• Information Literacy |
| 1. Communicating effectively with patients, family members and the healthcare team in a respectful and professional manner while receiving and giving feedback during H&Ps, office visits, ward rounds, case presentations, and in the counseling when indicated.  
2. Obtaining, writing, and presenting a psychiatric history, mental status examination, and problem-focused physical examination, as indicated.  
3. Formulating a differential diagnosis and patient treatment plan that includes appropriate specialist consultations and therapy.  
4. Choosing diagnostic and therapeutic management strategies for patients with common issues arising from both acute and chronic care needs.  
5. Formulating comprehensive care plans that demonstrate effective use of the healthcare team, community resources, and that ensure adequate follow-up.  
6. Choosing appropriate pharmacologic agents taking into account actions, indications and contraindications to treat the disorders /disease listed. | |
| **Competency 2:** The student will value professionalism and socialization to the physician assistant profession by: | • Communication  
• Critical thinking  
• Information Literacy  
• Cultural / Global Perspective  
• Social Responsibility |

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1. Practicing ethical decision-making, exhibiting honesty and integrity in patient care, and being sensitive to cultural issues.
2. Exercising accountability, being conscientious, on time and responsible, maintaining a professional appearance, and working in a collegial manner with other members of the healthcare team.