



Course Prefix/Number/Title: DMS 281 Clinical Practicum

Number of Credits: 3 semester credits

Course Description:

This course is a supervised clinical observation and introductory hands on sonography rotation in a general sonography outpatient clinic. Emphasis is placed on the professional interaction with sonographers/providers and the performance of sonographic procedures in the patient care environment. Clinical schedules will be Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:00 to 4:30 (8 hours/day) and every other Friday beginning the week of September 18.

Pre-/Co-requisites: None

Course Objectives:

1. Identify the sonographic appearance of normal abdominal and female pelvic anatomy.
2. Describe the transabdominal and transvaginal scanning techniques and protocols used in abdominal, pelvic and gynecologic scanning.
3. Define the pathologies discussed in the semester courses and describe the sonographic appearance.

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Lecture/Lab Schedule: Not applicable

Textbook(s):

Trinity Health DMS Clinical Education Handbook, Diagnostic Sonography, Hagen-Ansert, 8th Edition

Course Requirements:

Grading is based on clinical participation, clinical performance evaluations and lab assessments completed by student self-reporting of clinical activities, faculty and supervising sonographers, weighted accordingly, as follows:

Clinical Participation	20%	
Clinical Evaluations	40%	
Lab Assessments	40%	Renal / TV Pelvis

Consistent with attendance policy, the student is responsible for attending every scheduled clinical assignment and for the educational instruction presented. If a student will not be attending a clinical

assignment he/she must notify the Program Director or Clinical Coordinator prior to absence for approved absence and to plan for makeup time and/or activities as needed

Grading Criteria

- A = 94-100% of the total points
- B = 87 - 93% of the total points
- C = 80 - 86% of the total points
- F = <79% of the total points

Tentative Course Outline: Not applicable

CTE Competency/Department Learning Outcome(s):

Competency #1: Employ industry-specific skills in preparation for workplace readiness.

Learning Outcome#1 – Students will model ethical health care standards related to HIPAA and patient rights. SLO 3.1

Learning Outcome #2 – Students will demonstrate professional behavior in the classroom and clinical setting by treating others with dignity, respect and compassion. SLO 3.2

Relationship to Campus Focus:

This clinical practicum addresses a DMS Program theme by developing the knowledge and psychomotor scanning skill sets necessary to perform abdominal, gynecologic and obstetrical sonography, utilizing the protocols and techniques that are currently used in sonographic imaging.

Classroom Policies:

1. Cell phones and related devices are monitored in the classroom at all times. It is recommended that you do not bring your cell phone or other electronic devices into the classroom or, at the very least, get instructor permission to use approved devices as classroom learning resources.
2. Food and beverages are permitted in accordance with classroom policy.
3. Be respectful of other students, instructors, and guests.

Student Email Policy:

The Dakota College at Bottineau campus community is increasingly dependent upon electronic communication among faculty, staff and students. A student's campus-assigned e-mail address will be the only one recognized by the campus for official mailings. The liability for missing or not acting upon important information conveyed via email because of a failure to access a campus-assigned e-mail address rests with the student. Additionally, student must provide Trinity Health DMS faculty with a personal email address for communication while in the program.

Academic Integrity:

According to the DCB Student Handbook, students are responsible for submitting their own work. Students who cooperate on oral or written examinations or work without authorization share the responsibility for violation of academic principles and the students are subject to disciplinary action even when one of the students is not enrolled in the course where the violation occurred. The Code detailed in the Academic Honesty/Dishonesty section of the Student Handbook will serve as the guideline for cases where cheating, plagiarism or other academic improprieties have occurred. Additionally, dishonesty in the classroom or laboratory and with assignments, quizzes and exams is a serious offense and is subject to disciplinary action by the DMS Program Director. For more information, refer to the Trinity Health DMS Program Handbook policies.

Disabilities or Special Needs:

Students with disabilities or special needs (academic or otherwise) are encouraged to contact the instructor and Disability Support Services.

Title IX:

Dakota College at Bottineau (DCB) faculty are committed to helping create a safe learning environment for all students and for the College as a whole. Please be aware that all DCB employees (other than those designated as confidential resources such as advocates, counselors, clergy and healthcare providers) are required to report information about such discrimination and harassment to the College Title IX Coordinator. This means that if a student tells a faculty member about a situation of sexual harassment or sexual violence, or other related misconduct, the faculty member must share that information with the College's Title IX Coordinator. Students wishing to speak to a confidential employee who does not have this reporting responsibility can find a list of resources on the DCB Title IX webpage.