



Course Prefix/Number/Title: DMS-283 Clinical Practicum III

Number of Credits: 4 semester credits/384 hours

Course Description:

This course is a supervised clinical observation and clinical hands on sonography rotation in a general sonography patient care clinic. Emphasis is placed on the professional interaction and performance of sonographic procedures dealing with the patient.

Pre-requisites: DMS-282

Corequisites: DMS-224, DMS-224L, DMS-232, DMS-232L, DMS-251

Clinical Coordinator/Instructor: Amy Hofmann/Clinical Preceptors/Sonographers

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Lecture Schedule: Not applicable

Lab Schedule: Not applicable

Textbook, Resource: Diagnostic Sonography, Hagen-Ansert, 8th Edition

Lab/Clinical Practicum Manual: Trinity Health DMS Clinical Education Handbook

Course Requirements:

Grading is based on clinical participation, clinical performance evaluations, lab assessments, professionalism, case study and image review. Evaluations are completed by student self-reporting of clinical activities, faculty and supervising sonographers, weighted accordingly, as follows:

Clinical Evaluations	20%
Lab Assessments	40%
Professionalism	20%
Case Study	10%
Image Review	10%

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 to plan for makeup time and activities.

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

Course Goal and Objectives

Goal:

The goal of this clinical practicum is to provide a supervised clinical observation and clinical hands-on sonography rotation in a general sonography imaging department. Emphasis is placed on the utilization of cognitive, psychomotor and patient care knowledge gained in the didactic course units covered in the semester. Student will observe and assist sonographers demonstrating professional interaction and performance of sonographic procedures dealing with the patient.

Objectives:

1. Identify the sonographic appearance of normal and abnormal 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.

General Education (GE) Goal and Objectives

Not applicable

Relationship to Campus Focus:

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

Clinical Rotation Policies: For a more in-depth policy review, refer to Trinity Health and DMS Program Policies; minimal expectations are:

1. Cell phones and related devices are prohibited in the clinical at all times. It is recommended that you do not bring your cell phone or other electronic devices into the clinical area or, at the very least, turn it off.
2. Food and beverages are not permitted in patient procedural areas in accordance with hospital policy.



3. Be respectful of patients, other students, instructors, staff and guests.

Student Email Policy

Trinity Health is increasingly dependent upon email as an official form of communication. A student's assigned email address will be the only one recognized for official mailings. The liability for missing or not acting upon important information conveyed via Trinity Health or the DMS Program email rests with the student.

Academic Integrity

All students are expected to adhere to the highest standards of academic integrity. Dishonesty in the classroom or clinical area, with assignments, time and attendance records, clinical experience logs or records is a serious offense and is subject to disciplinary action by the Program Director. For more information, refer to the DMS Program Handbook policies.

Disabilities and Special Needs

If you have a disability for which you are or may be requesting an accommodation, you are encouraged to contact the Program Director (701-857-5620) as early as possible during the beginning of the semester.

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.