



**TERM/YEAR:**

**COURSE NUMBER:** NURS 5603

**COURSE TITLE:** Acute Care I Clinical

**CREDITS:** Theory: 0  
Clinical: 3 Credit Hours (168 Clock Hours)

**PRE-REQUISITE(S):** Graduate level advanced health assessment, pathophysiology, and pharmacology

**CO-REQUISITE(S):** NURS 5602 Acute Care I  
NURS 5605 Invasive Procedures and Skills for the Acute Care NP

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**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

Clinical practicum prepares the nurse practitioner student to provide evidence-based care of adult and geriatric patients experiencing acute, critical, and complex chronic health conditions in a variety of acute and critical care settings.

**COURSE OBJECTIVES\*:**

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Develop differential diagnoses based on assessment findings. (Program Student Learning Outcomes 1, 8)
2. Design and implement a safe, evidence-based plan of care consistent with level of education and experience. (Program Student Learning Outcomes 1, 4, 8)

3. Demonstrate effective interpersonal relationships and interactions with patients and families. (Program Student Learning Outcome 8)
4. Collaborate effectively with patients, families, and interdisciplinary health care team members to develop an individualized, patient-centered plan of care. (Program Student Learning Outcomes 7, 8)
5. Demonstrate beginning level competence in the professional role of the advanced practice nurse. (Program Student Learning Outcomes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8)
6. Recognize professional practices that promote quality improvement and lifelong learning. (Program Student Learning Outcomes 3, 4, 5, 7)
7. Integrate current health care technology into one's own practice to deliver, enhance, and document care in an ethically sound manner. (Program Student Learning Outcome 5)

\*Each Course Objective is tied to the Program Student Learning Outcomes which can be found on the GSON website.