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<td>COURSE TITLE:</td>
<td>Advanced Psychiatric and Medical Complex Cases</td>
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| COURSE DESCRIPTION: | This course provides the student with the opportunity to explore psychiatric disorders along with complex medical problems while implementing psychiatric-mental health nurse practitioner roles. These various roles will be explored in consultation, education, liaison, administration, and independent practice. The focus is on assessment and intervention with persons with mental illness and complex medical issues. Concepts related to the selected problem are identified and critically appraised. Methodologies to generate evidence will be presented to examine knowledge related to the selected problem and make practice recommendations. Interprofessional collaboration with other health care providers is emphasized. |
| COURSE OBJECTIVE: | 1. Explore various advanced practice roles such as consultation, liaison, education, administration and independent practice.  
|               | 2. Apply aspects of the psychotherapeutic process to clients with complex needs and backgrounds.  
|               | 3. Critically analyze ethical issues in the provision of mental health care.  
|               | 4. Discuss prevalence and treatment issues related to co-morbid mental illness and substance abuse or medical conditions |
**Clinical Objectives**

Upon completion of the clinical practicum, the student will be able in culturally diverse populations to:

1. Make appropriate DSM-5 diagnoses.
2. Develop treatment plans, recommendations and referrals that are appropriate and congruent with the individuals’ socioeconomic and cultural background.
3. Provide, with preceptor approval, initial treatment management and counseling for individuals suffering from mental/emotional distress.
4. Effectively perform on-going assessments on patients’ progress.
5. Develop appropriate discharge and placement plans.