COURSE SYLLABUS

Credit Hours: 4

Contact Hours: 320

Schedule: October 24-December 16, 2016

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Course Description:
A synthesis of applied knowledge acquired from the first year of the curriculum including, but not limited to, human anatomy, basic pathology, and human physiology applied to the physical therapy care of patients/clients are integrated in this clinical internship. (8 weeks, full time)

Course Objectives:
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
1. Apply knowledge of foundational and clinical sciences to the examination, evaluation, diagnosis, prognosis and intervention in physical therapy patient management.
2. Demonstrate appropriate and culturally competent verbal, written, and nonverbal communication skills in all aspects of patient/client management.
3. Recognize individual and cultural differences in the management and delivery of patient services.
4. Comply with expectations of professional practice behaviors and APTA core values.
5. Applies sound principles of clinical decision making in patient/client management.
6. Complete PT MACS objectives, including self-assessment, as specified in the specific grading criteria for this clinical experience.

Required Texts:


E-medley Clinical Management software access available through the UTEP Bookstore.

Recommended Apps:
Free Apps: UMMS Medical Encyclopedia, Skyscape Medical Resources, Eppocrates, Mediware, Medscape, PubMed Mobile, Mavro Medical Spanish

September 20, 2016
Methods of Evaluation:
This course is a PASS/FAIL course and is reported as SATISFACTORY or UNSATISFACTORY per UTEP policy and clinical education policies.

Course Policy:
1. A grade of pass/fail will be assigned according to criteria established in conjunction with the PT MACS. Skills 1-10 and 17 are considered crucial skills. Problems with these skills may result in failure. Failure will be determined by the DCE with input from the clinical instructor. A rating of "U" on any skill will result in failure of the clinical experience.
2. All PT MACS skills may be addressed.
3. 100% attendance is mandatory during the clinical experience and students will abide by the facility's schedule. If the student misses a work day, he/she must call the facility as well as the DCE.
4. The clinical instructor information sheet must be faxed or e-mailed to the DCE by the fifth day of the clinical experience.
5. Student self assessments must be recorded in the PT MACS on all skills attempted. It is the student’s responsibility to evaluate his/her own performance prior to being evaluated by the clinical instructor. The midterm must be completed by the CI prior to the DCE midterm visit.
6. The student must complete the APTA Student Evaluation of the Clinical Experience available online. The evaluation should be discussed with and signed by the CI.
7. The progress report narrative, skills sheets and visual analog scale must be completed by the CI at midterm and final.
8. All PT MACS paperwork must be complete and the originals returned to the DCE before a grade will be assigned. Mail the original Progress Report including the VAS and the APTA Student evaluation to Loretta Dillon at 3303 Gabel, El Paso, TX 79904 to be received by December 23 or a grade of Incomplete will have to be given. Dr Dillon prefers for the MACS and journal to be turned in ASAP following the clinical experience if you are in town. Deliver the PT MACS on the first day of the Spring academic semester at the absolute latest date.

Course and Program Policy:
Each student is responsible for reviewing and understanding all policies and procedures documented in the most current DPT Student Handbook for his/her cohort. Course policies found in the DPT Student Handbook apply to all courses in the DPT curriculum. The current DPT Student Handbook for each cohort may be found on the DPT Student Resources site on Blackboard. The course policies include very important information about: Written/Computer-based examinations, practical examinations, attendance and participation, professional behavior, academic integrity, accumulated knowledge, and use of electronic devices.

Special Accommodations (ADA): “If you have or suspect a disability and need accommodations, you should contact the Center for Accommodations and Support Services (CASS) at 747-5148.” You can also e-mail the office at cass@utep.edu or go by
their office in Union Building East. For additional information, visit the CASS website at http://sa.utep.edu/cass/