Title of Course: Clinical Practicum Clinical Nurse Specialist/Care Management

I. Catalog Description and Credit Hours of Course:

Explores the Clinical Nurse Specialist/Care Manager role in acute and chronic care settings. Observational experiences include an urban acute care hospital and outpatient facilities. (3)

II. Prerequisite(s): NS634 or consent of the instructor.

III. Purposes or Objective of the Course:

A. Evaluate the diversified roles of Clinical Nurse Specialists and Care Managers in urban acute care teaching hospitals and outpatient facilities.

B. Analyze the relationship of current empirical literature to role development for the Clinical Nurse Specialist and Care Manager in the chosen area of clinical specialization.

C. Demonstrate the ability for clinical leadership for evidence-based practice and implementation of outcomes management.

IV. Expectations of Students:

A. Complete all clinical observations.

B. Participate in panel discussions to disseminate observational discoveries during clinical observations.

C. Construct an annotated bibliography regarding an advanced practice nursing role.

V. Course Content or Outline (Indicate number of class hours per unit or section):

A. Clinical Experience: 140 hours

B. Panel Discussions: 10 hours
   1. Advanced Practice Role Development 3 hours
   2. Advanced Practice Role Diversification 3 hours
   3. Nursing Leadership and Followership in Advanced Practice 2 hours
   4. Advanced Practice Nursing and Evidence-Based Practice 2 hours

C. Annotated Bibliography: 30 hours

D. Post Conferences: 50 hours

VI. Textbook(s) and/or Other Required Materials or Equipment:

A. Journal articles as designated by professor.

VII. Basis for Student Evaluation:

A. Successful completion of clinical experience: 50%

B. Panel Discussions: 20%

C. Annotated Bibliography: 30%

The weight of evaluation criteria may vary at the discretion of the instructor and will be indicated at the beginning of each class.