GROSSMONT COLLEGE

Official Course Outline

OT 220 – WORK EXPERIENCE EXTERNSHIP

1. Course Number Course Title Semester Units Semester Hours

OT 220 Work Experience 2 10 hours per week

Externship 120 total volunteer hours

150 total paid hours

2. Course Prerequisites

A “C” grade or higher in OT 214 and OT 215 and approval by the OT faculty.

Corequisite

None

Recommended Preparation

None.

3. Catalog Description

A work experience course in which a Grossmont College orthopedic student volunteers at a clinical site with which the Orthopedic Technology Program has established an affiliation agreement. The clinical site supports the objectives of the course and provides supervision through Orthopedic Technology mentors and preceptors. The student applies previously acquired orthopedic theory and clinical skills in the management of orthopedic patients. This course is offered on a pass/no pass basis only.

4. Course Objectives

The student will:

1. Formulate final goals and objectives to meet individual learning experience needs through consultation with an orthopedic faculty member.
2. Function within the guidelines of the Work Experience Externship Program working cooperatively with and accepting supervision from the responsible OT preceptor.
3. Demonstrate competency in performance of clinical skills during required site observation visits by faculty.
4. Employ safe patient care within scope of practice under the direct or indirect supervision of the preceptor.
5. Apply and improve upon clinical problem solving and critical thinking skills to enhance patient care management for orthopedic patients.
6. Demonstrate effective and timely communication with members of the health care delivery team.
7. Maintain professional and ethical behavior and provide culturally competent care.

5. Instructional Facilities

Selected acute and ambulatory care settings with whom the Program establishes an affiliation agreement.

6. Special Materials Required of Student

Bandage scissors

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7. Course Content

1. Extended clinical experience to enhance orthopedic tech program graduate knowledge and skills.
2. Independent assessment and treatment of the orthopedic patient within scope of practice.
3. Time management
4. Interpersonal communication
5. Prioritization of patient care
6. Accurate and timely patient documentation

8. Method of Instruction

Field experience.

9. Methods of Evaluating Student Performance

1. Required visitation/observation sheet completed by instructor.
2. Written evaluation of student performance by preceptor.
3. Collaborative evaluation by instructor and preceptor.
4. Final consultation between student and instructor addressing extent to which objectives were attained.

10. Outside Class Assignments

None

11. Texts

a. Required text:

(1) Dandy, David J. and Edwards J. Dennis. *Essentials of Orthopaedics and Trauma*. St. Louis, Missouri: Elsevier Publishing Company. 5th ed. 2009.

(2) Hoppenfeld, A. *Physical Examination of the Spine and Extremities*. Edinburgh Gate. Pearson. 1st ed. 2014.

b. Supplementary texts and workbooks:

Texts and resources from prior or concurrent orthopedic courses.

Addendum: Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, our students will be able to do the following:

* 1. Demonstrate application of standards of professionalism and behavior in the clinical setting.

b. Demonstrate ability to analyze, communicate and apply written and verbal orders; prepare and construct direct patient care modalities accurately.

c. Evaluate patient orthopedic conditions by describing, analyzing, applying and reporting standard orthopedic tests.

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