

CLINICAL HOURS/SIMULATION HOURS/LAB HOURS

Total Clinical and Sim/Lab Hours/Semester = 660 hours

COURSE	CREDIT HOURS CLINICAL	CLINICAL CLOCK HOURS	TOTAL CLINICAL CLOCK HRS/SEMESTER	CREDIT HOURS SIM/LAB	SIMULATION /LAB CLOCK HOURS	TOTAL SIM/LAB CLOCK HRS/SEMESTER
NU 240				1	1.5	22.5
NU 280				1	1.5	22.5
NU 350	2	3	90	1	1.5	22.5
NU 351	2	3	90	1	1.5	22.5
NU 375	1	3	45			
NU 385	1	3	45			
NU 425	1	3	45			
NU 445	2	4	120			
NU 475	1	3	45			
NU 485	2	3	90			
TOTAL	12	25	570	4	6	90

Clinical Placement Opportunities

With over 80 clinical agency affiliation agreements located across NorthEast, NorthCentral, and NorthWest Missouri, nursing faculty and students enjoy a wide range of teaching-learning clinical experiences in both rural and urban areas. These experiences include caring for patients in 25-bed critical access hospitals, medium-sized hospitals, and tertiary hospitals located in the geographic area of Kirksville, Missouri. These diverse clinical agencies provide rich teaching and learning opportunities throughout the nursing program by exposing students to various organizational structures consisting of both large and small health care delivery systems whose patient population reflects a myriad of health promotion and/or disease management needs.

Clinical Experiences

- Hospitals
- Community public health clinics
- Long-term care facilities
- Private practices
- Ambulatory clinics
- Community-based senior centers
- Local and regional school districts
- Residential treatment centers

3.0 clock hours:1 credit hour ratio for clinicals

The total number of clinical hours in the nursing program = 570 clinical hours.

Simulation

The Nursing Simulation Center (NSC) and Pershing Lab use low and/or mid-level fidelity manikins to mimic human reactions to health care interventions. This realistic and safe environment serves as a bridge between classroom theory and real-world practice. Nursing students practice clinical skills, critical thinking, teamwork, and develop clinical judgment without putting patients at risk and subsequently develop confidence in their use of the nursing process before entering the actual clinical setting. Students participating in simulation/lab activities are expected to come fully prepared to participate in each experience. They are expected to have completed assigned readings, viewed assigned tapes and answered all study guide questions or quizzes prior to presenting to the lab or participating in the simulation experience. It is anticipated that students will gain an understanding of principles underlying any given procedure and develop a greater understanding of how to perform the various procedures. Key benefits include a safe learning environment, skill development, bridge between theory and practice, exposure to rare events (cardiac arrest, infant delivery, and etc), and increase in self-confidence.

1.5 clock hour:1 credit hour ratio for lab.

The total number of lab hours in the nursing program = 90 simulation/lab hours.