

**MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF NURSING
Master Resource Outline**

NRS 498: Internship
Credits: 3 clinical laboratory; may be repeated a second summer, if desired.
Semesters Offered: Su
Prerequisites: Satisfactory completion of at least the first semester of junior level clinical courses. Placement subject to availability.

Course Description: This elective course is designed to increase competence and confidence in previously learned clinical skills. The student works with a RN in a cooperating clinical agency for a period of intensified clinical experience. Faculty work with students to place them in appropriate settings.

Course Objectives: The student will:

1. Demonstrate increased competence in previously learned clinical practice skills.
2. Develop increased confidence as a student of professional nursing in a health care setting.
 - a. Following orientation, assumes responsibility and accountability for own judgments and actions.
 - b. Accepts responsibility and seeks consultation consistent with his/her abilities, knowledge and skills.
 - c. Communicates care given to assigned patients verbally and in writing.
 - d. Demonstrates ability to plan and use time constructively.
 - e. Demonstrates satisfactory level of interpersonal relationships with fellow workers.
 - f. Adapts to changing needs of work situation.
 - g. Satisfactorily meets the time requirements of the preceptorship.
 - h. Presents self in a professional manner.
 - i. Takes advantage of opportunities to participate in agency in-service programming.
3. Explore employment opportunities.
4. Identify the various roles and functions of the professional nurse in a health care setting.

NOTES:

- (a) See CON Policy C-8 for additional information.
- (b) Seniors or advancing juniors enrolled in US Army ROTC who have successfully completed the ROTC Summer Training Program are offered the option of obtaining 3 semester credits for NRS 498.

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