Hagerstown Community College

MASTER SYLLABUS

COURSE: PHR-269 Pharmacy Practicum

DATE: Fall, 2017

INSTRUCTOR:

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This capstone course requires students to work 180 uncompensated hours in various pharmacy settings including both retail and institutional operations to critically analyze their pharmacy experience. Total of 180 hours of experiential/clinical.

TEXTBOOK(S):

Mizner, J. J. (2014). Mosby's Review for the Pharmacy Technician Certification Examination. St. Louis, Missouri: Elsevier Mosby. ISBN# 978-0323113373.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES: Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Demonstrate an understanding of the pharmacy technician's role in the medication use process;
- 2. Demonstration professionalism and ethical conduct in the workplace by carrying out activities as required by the externship/practicum site;
- 3. Demonstrate the ability to process and handle medications and orders in a community/retail pharmacy setting;
- 4. Demonstrate the ability to process and handle medications and orders in an institutional/hospital pharmacy setting;
- 5. Effectively assist pharmacists in collecting, organizing, and recording demographic and clinical information for direct patient care and medication use review;
- 6. Effectively prepare medications requiring compounding of sterile products, non-sterile products and chemotherapy/hazardous products;
- 7. Effectively initiate, verify, and assist in procurement, billing, reimbursement and inventory management;
- 8. Demonstrate patient- and medication-safety practices in all aspects of the pharmacy technician's roles;
- 9. Effectively use current technology in the healthcare environment to ensure the safety and accuracy of medication dispensing;
- 10. Demonstrate effective infection control procedures, including preventing transmission of blood borne and airborne diseases;
- 11. Demonstrate an understanding of regulatory issues and quality assurance;
- 12. Demonstrate effective verbal and written communication skills, as well as use listening skills effectively;
- 13. Demonstrate effective interpersonal and teamwork sills in work with healthcare teams;

- 14. Demonstrate critical thinking skills to solve problems common in pharmacy technician's work; and
- 15. Successfully complete the PTCB National Certification Examination for Pharmacy Technician and obtain proper licensure.

MINIMUM CLOCK HOURS REQUIRED FOR THIS COURSE:

To earn one academic credit at HCC, students are required to complete a minimum of 37.5 clock hours (45 fifty-minute "academic" hours) of coursework per semester. Those hours of coursework may be completed through a combination of hours within the classroom and hours outside the classroom. Certain courses may require more than the 37.5 minimum hours of coursework per credit. For most classes, students should expect to do at least 2 hours of coursework outside of class for each hour of in-class coursework.

	DIRECT Faculty Instruction In-class 180 hours required	Student Work Out of Classroom 90 hours required
Externship/Practicum	180	
Activities & Homework Assignments	Included in Externship/Practicum	30 hours
Prepare, study, and register for PTCB National Examination	Included in Externship/Practicum	60 hours
Total Hours	180 hours	90 hours

SERVICES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES: Students may receive reasonable accommodations if they have a diagnosed disability and present appropriate documentation. Students seeking accommodations are required to contact the Disability Support Services (DSS) office as early as possible. Students may contact a DSS staff member for an appointment at dss@hagerstowncc.edu or at 240-500-2530.