Preceptor Role
Psych Mental Health Graduate Certificate Program

A. Provides direct clinical supervision or assigns another masters level clinician to supervise a student
   • Orients the student to the clinical setting, patient population, health care team, and key aspects of nursing care delivery in the environment.
   • Reviews all medications prior to student administration (undergraduate).
   • Directly supervises all clinical encounters initially until preceptor is comfortable that student do so unsupervised.
   • Reviews and directly or indirectly supervises all patient encounters and treatment plan development.
   • Fosters critical thinking by questioning students about the rationale for interventions.
   • Immerses and engages students in clinical practice experiences, integrating them into the practice setting.
   • Negotiates clinical learning objectives related to each clinical experience.

B. Assists in the assessment of student performance
   • Gives verbal feedback to the student at the end of each clinical day, following performance and as needed.
   • Utilizes soft skills guide to address any interpersonal or professional competency concerns.
   • Formally reviews the soft skills guide with the student at mid-point.
   • Completes a written evaluation of student performance at the end of the semester that includes anecdotal feedback.
   • Informs faculty of student progress as well as issues and concerns related to student performance.

C. Assists the student to revise his/her objectives for the clinical experiences
   • Notes progress toward meeting established objectives.
   • In collaboration with clinical faculty, identifies additional clinical experiences to meet the student’s needs and enhance learning.