NCL 618L. Focus on Advanced Nursing Practice Specialization. 2 Hours.
The purpose of this course will be the study of specialty track specific topics. The focus of the course will be on providing foundational materials for specialized areas of advanced nursing practice. Emphasis is on exploring specific advanced nursing practice competencies.
Prerequisites: (NUR 606 [Min Grade: B] or NUR 606 [Min Grade: B]) and (NUR 613 [Min Grade: B] or NUR 613 [Min Grade: B])

NCL 620. Systems in Population-based Care I. 4 Hours.
This course is designed to provide the student with opportunities to integrate in-depth knowledge of theoretical and practical concepts required to measure and improve healthcare quality, outcomes and safety. The student will focus on 5 roles required for the beginning Clinical Nurse Leader: Clinician, Member of Profession, Interdisciplinary Healthcare Team Manager, Outcomes Manager and Lifelong Learner. The course explores theories of change, complexity, horizontal and lateral leadership, microsystems and decision-making and their relationship to nursing and the health care system. The following elements are integrated into this course: critical thinking, research, scholarly writing, scientific integrity, ethics, cultural diversity, and social issues.

NCL 621. Systems in Population-based Care II. 3 Hours.
This course is designed to provide the student with opportunities to develop additional knowledge of theoretical and practical concepts required to measure and improve healthcare quality, outcomes and safety. The student will focus on the four additional roles required for the beginning Clinical Nurse Leader: Information Manager, Systems Analyst/Risk Manager, Advocate, and Educator. The student will be expected to expand proficiency of previously learned Clinical Nurse Leader roles: Clinician, Member of a Profession, Team Manager, Outcomes Manager and Lifelong Learner. At the completion of this course the student will have explored all of the nine CNL roles as defined by the American Association of Colleges of Nursing’s White Paper. The following elements are integrated into this course: critical thinking, research, scholarly writing, professional presentation, scientific integrity and ethics, cultural diversity, and social issues. Prerequisite: NCL 620 and NCL 685L.
Corequisite: NCL 620.
Prerequisites: NCL 620 [Min Grade: B] and NCL 685L [Min Grade: B]

NCL 686L. CNL Practicum II. 2 Hours.
Building on the preceding practicum, this course provides the student the opportunity to observe and apply in a clinical setting the remaining four of the CNL role functions. This course will focus on the student developing the CNL roles of information manager, systems analyst/risk manager, advocate, and educator. The student will be expected to expand proficiency of the previous CNL roles of clinician, professional, interdisciplinary team manager, outcomes manager and lifelong learner. The student will use this knowledge and skill to evaluate, design and implement interventions to improve quality of care and patient safety. At the completion of this course the student will have explored all of the nine CNL roles as defined by the American Association of Colleges of Nursing’s White Paper. Prerequisite: NCL 620 and NCL 685L.
Corequisite: NCL 621.
Prerequisites: NCL 620 [Min Grade: B] and NCL 685L [Min Grade: B]

NCL 692L. CNL Capstone Practicum. 5 Hours.
This course provides the student the opportunity to integrate and apply in an intensive clinical rotation the nine CNL roles. The student will be expected to expand their proficiency in the roles of advocate, professional, team manager, information manager, systems analyst/risk manager, clinician, outcomes manager, educator and lifelong learner. The student will use these skills to design, implement, evaluate, and disseminate plans of care to improve quality and patient safety. At the completion of this course the student will demonstrate, at novice level, the nine CNL roles as defined by the American Association of Colleges of Nursing’s White Paper.
Prerequisites: NCL 620 [Min Grade: B] and NCL 685L [Min Grade: P]