



Fall Semester AY 2023 – 2024	American University of Beirut	
	Faculty of Health Sciences – Division of Health Professions	
	Medical Imaging Sciences Program	
	Course number	DGRG260
	Course name	<i>Clinical Practicum V</i>

Course Administration

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Class Time and Venue

Day and Time: Tuesday and Thursday 8:00 am – 03:30 pm
Location: Diagnostic Radiology Department – American University of Beirut-Medical Center

Course Description

This is a clinical placement course; students are required to apply theoretical basis of diagnostic imaging to clinical practice and to develop professional competencies and skills in medical imaging.

Students are expected in DGRG 220 to demonstrate specific competencies/skills in the below imaging modalities within the Diagnostic Radiology Department:

- General Radiography
- Computed Tomography
- Fluoroscopy/Interventional
- Mammography
- Magnetic Resonance Imaging
- Ultrasound
- Nuclear Medicine/Positron Emission Tomography

Course Learning Outcomes

At the end of this course the student will be able to:

- LO1. Apply knowledge to provide patient care and comfort in a professional manner regardless of patient's personal attributes, nature of disease or illness, and without discrimination.
- LO2. Practice the profession in a manner compatible with the ethical values enhanced by the profession of radiologic technology.
- LO3. Communicate effectively with other members of the healthcare team and patients.
- LO4. Apply knowledge to provide a safe environment for patients, families and other healthcare colleagues guided by the "As Low As Reasonably Achievable (ALARA)" principle.
- LO5. Develop knowledge of radiographic technique to accurately establish proper demonstration of anatomical structures.
- LO6. Determine an appropriate comprehension of proper radiation safety principles
- LO7. Perform proper operation of equipment and technique selection, and clinical imaging procedures management to complete a radiographic exam/procedure.
- LO8. Assure an appropriate comprehension of proper contrast medium preparation and administration, and infection control principles.
- LO9. Develop knowledge in radiographic images assessment/critique for optimal positioning demonstration of anatomic regions.

Credits Allocated: 4



Prerequisites: DGRG250

Clinical Placement Outline

Please note this is a tentative schedule. Any changes may be made at the instructor's discretion.

Number of hours	Clinical Placement	CLOs
60	General Radiography	1 - 9
45	Computed Tomography	1 - 9
30	Fluoroscopy/Interventional	1 - 9
15	Mammography	1 - 9
15	Magnetic Resonance Imaging	1 - 9
30	Ultrasound	1 - 9
15	Nuclear Medicine/Positron Emission Tomography	1 - 9

Student Assessment

Assessment	Percent
1. Ongoing progress clinical practice evaluation and feedback on all learned competencies in General Radiography (25%), Computed Tomography (20%), and Ultrasound (15%) by course instructors.	60%
2. Written exam on all learned competencies (TBA)	40%

Course Resources

All materials and books for the Clinical Practicum course – DGRG 260 are posted on Moodle.

- Clinical Practicum Handbook-DGRG 260.
- Andolina V. F. and Lille S. L. (2011). Mammographic Imaging: A practical Guide. Third Edition. Baltimore, Lippincott Williams & Wilkins.
- Christian P. E. and Waterstram-Rich K. M. (2012). Nuclear Medicine And PET/CT Technology and Techniques. Seventh Edition. Mosby Elsevier.
- Lampignano, J.OP. and Kendrick L. E. (2018). Radiographic Positioning and Related Anatomy. Ninth Edition. St. Louis, Missouri, Elsevier.
- Long B. W., Rollins J. H., and Smith B. J. (2016). Merrill's Atlas of: Radiographic Positioning and Procedures (Volumes 1, 2, and 3). Thirteenth Edition. St. Louis, Missouri, Elsevier Mosby.
- Martensen, K. M. (2015). Radiographic Image Analysis. Fourth Edition. St. Louis, Missouri, Elsevier Saunders.
- Martin A., Harbison S., Beach K., and Cole P. (2019). An Introduction to Radiation Protection. Seventh Edition. Taylor and Francis.
- Towsley-Cook D. M. and Young T. A. (2007). Ethical and Legal Issues For Imaging Professionals. Second Edition. Mosby Elsevier.
- Carlton R. and Adler A. (2016). Introduction to Radiologic and Imaging Sciences and Patient Care. Sixth Edition. Saunders Elsevier.
- Seeram E. (2016). Computed Tomography: Physical Principles, Clinical Applications, and Quality Control. Fourth Edition. St. Louis, Missouri, Elsevier.
- Valji, K. (2006). Vascular and Interventional Radiology. Second Edition. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Saunders Elsevier.
- Watson N. and Jones H. (2018). Guide to Radiological Procedures. Seventh Edition. St. Louis, Missouri, Elsevier.
- Westbrook C. and Talbot J. (2019). MRI in Practice. Fifth Edition. Wiley Blackwell



Course Policies and General Notes

1. Clinical Attendance:

- Attendance is mandatory and attendance will be documented for all clinical placement modalities. A predetermined number of clinical hours need to be completed in this clinical course re: 210 hours.
- Should the student be late for their clinical training, your instructor(s) must directly be informed by email.
- Any excusable arrival delayed by more than 30 minutes should be compensated.
- Students who, during a term, miss more than one-fifth of the set clinical training hours will be dropped from the course: for DGRG 260: 42 hours.

N.B.: for details about clinical attendance rules and regulations please refer to student's handbook.

2. Academic integrity:

Education is demanding, and time management is essential. Do not hesitate to use the resources around you but do not cut corners. Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated. Please review the Student Code of Conduct in your handbook available on the following web page:

<https://www.aub.edu.lb/sao/Documents/Student%20Handbook%202016-2017.pdf> and familiarize yourself with definitions and penalties (p. 33).

If you're in doubt about what constitutes plagiarism, ask your course instructor(s) because it is your responsibility to know. The American University of Beirut has a strict anti-cheating and anti-plagiarism policy. Penalties include failing marks on the assignment in question, suspension or expulsion from university and a permanent mention of the disciplinary action in the student's records.

- By signing up for this course, you confirm that you have read and accepted the terms and provisions of "AUB's Privacy Statement".

4. Assessments/ Final Written Exam Regulations:

All assessments and the written exam must be completed within the time period specified. Zero points will be given for an exam if the student does not adhere to the time guidelines. The only delays for the exam that will be considered by the course instructor(s) are for documented illness, death in the family, and personal/family emergency.

If a student fails a clinical placement assessment, he/she will normally be offered one resit attempt. However, if he/she did not participate in the first assessment and have no extenuating circumstances, he/she may not be offered a resit. If he/she are successful in the resit, the mark will be calculated from the original mark that he/she passed at first attempt and the minimum pass mark for which he/she took a resit.

5. Students with Disabilities:

AUB strives to make learning experiences accessible for all. If you anticipate or experience academic barriers due to a disability (such as ADHD, learning difficulties, mental health conditions, chronic or temporary medical conditions), please do not hesitate to inform the Accessible Education Office. In order to ensure that you receive the support you need and to facilitate a smooth accommodations process, you must register with the Accessible Education Office (AEO) as soon as possible: accessibility@aub.edu.lb; +961-1-350000, x3246; West Hall, 314.

6. Non-Discrimination – Title IX – AUB:

AUB is committed to facilitating a campus free of all forms of discrimination including sex/gender-based harassment prohibited by Title IX. The University's non-discrimination policy applies to, and protects, all students, faculty, and staff. If you think you have experienced discrimination or harassment, including sexual misconduct, we encourage you to tell someone promptly. If you speak to a faculty or staff member about an issue such as harassment, sexual violence, or discrimination, the information will be kept as private as possible, however, faculty and designated staff are required to bring it to the attention of the University's Title IX Coordinator. Faculty can refer you to fully confidential resources, and you can find information and contacts at www.aub.edu.lb/titleix. **To report an incident**, contact the University's Title IX Coordinator Mitra Taub at 01-350000 ext. 2514, or titleix@aub.edu.lb. An anonymous report may be submitted online via Ethics Point at www.aub.ethicspoint.com.