

Advanced Practice Forensic Nursing Competency	Content Supporting This Competency	Exemplars (examples of approaches to outcomes measurements of competency among advanced practice forensic nursing graduate students)
<p>The advanced practice forensic nurse will develop, promote, and implement protocols and systems responding to victims and perpetrators of trauma, injury, accidents, neglect, abuse, exploitation, and all forms of violence.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Differentiation of disease, injury (intentional and unintentional)</li> <li>• Forensic applications of basic and medical sciences; applications in forensic populations                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Advanced pathophysiology</li> <li>○ Advanced pharmacology</li> <li>○ Advanced physical and health assessment</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Concepts relevant to forensic nursing practice                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Human response to injury and wounds                                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Accident</li> <li>▪ Trauma</li> <li>▪ Crime</li> <li>▪ Victimization</li> <li>▪ Violence</li> <li>▪ Abuse</li> <li>▪ Neglect</li> <li>▪ Exploitation</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Violence as a public health problem</li> <li>○ Public health/community health models</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Other concepts                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Survivorship</li> <li>○ Manipulation</li> <li>○ Boundary violations</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Borrowed theories and frameworks for forensic nursing practice                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Criminology</li> <li>○ Forensic psychiatry</li> <li>○ Forensic mental health</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Classify and prioritize categories of complex forensic health problems at the individual, family, community, and systems levels</li> <li>• Identify victims and perpetrators of crime within the context of the healthcare delivery system</li> <li>• Analyze and recommend health policy</li> <li>• Analyze culturally relevant data affecting experiences and responses to accident, trauma, crime, victimization, violence, and abuse</li> <li>• Propose and implement specific plans of care for clients experiencing alterations in health as a response to accident, trauma, crime, victimization, neglect, abuse, exploitation, and all forms of violence</li> <li>• Classify major, regularly occurring forensic phenomena in healthcare settings</li> <li>• Describe roles for forensic nurses in the prevention of accidents trauma, crime, victimization, violence, and abuse</li> <li>• List local and regional resources for the implementation of forensic nursing and expansion of care for forensic clients</li> <li>• Demonstrate the ability to provide expert testimony and/or competency hearings</li> <li>• Review professional lawsuits and documentation for evidence of attainment of professional standards of practice</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Forensic science</li> <li>○ Perpetrator theory</li> <li>○ Public health</li> <li>○ Traumatology</li> <li>○ Victimology</li> <li>● Evidence collection and processing; advanced documentation and interviewing                         <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Crime scenes</li> <li>○ Accident scenes</li> <li>○ Sites of trauma, violence</li> <li>○ Situations of victimization</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Systems involved in serving the healthcare needs of individuals, families, and communities as they respond to accident, injury, violence, trauma, crime, or other victimization                         <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Justice systems</li> <li>○ Forensic science applications and roles</li> <li>○ Legal and ethical expectations and boundaries of practice</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Techniques of self-awareness and self-reflection necessary for objective and effective advanced practice forensic nursing</li> </ul>	
<p>The advanced practice forensic nurse will impact research and policy affecting human responses to violence, injury, trauma, accidents, neglect, abuse, exploitation, and all forms of victimization.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Definitions of health in forensic settings</li> <li>● Goals for forensic nursing                         <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Prevention of, reduction of, adaptation to violence, crime, trauma, and other forms of victimization among individuals, groups, and communities</li> <li>○ Promotion of values of caring in forensic settings</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Forensic-sensitive variables representing characteristics of forensic clients and systems</li> <li>● Forensic roles and applications in nursing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Identify and organize legal data sets</li> <li>● Propose forensic nursing applications, model care plans, concept maps, or critical pathways</li> <li>● Demonstrate the use of forensic science and other related disciplines in the development of research problem statements and recommendations for policy</li> <li>● Compare and contrast the criminal justice and civil justice system; analyze justice systems based on culture, history, and international codes</li> </ul>

	<p>and healthcare</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forensic issues             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Interpersonal violence</li> <li>○ Trauma</li> <li>○ Injury</li> <li>○ Accidents</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Interdisciplinary collaboration models; interaction of justice, political, and social systems with healthcare delivery systems</li> <li>• Summary of empirical evidence from which to base advanced practice forensic nursing applications             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Research</li> <li>○ Best practices</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Strategies for effective communication of forensic issues with different communities of interest (professional, legal, lay, etc.)</li> <li>• Factors affecting the credibility, prestige, and recognition of advanced practice forensic nursing             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Related to healthcare policy</li> <li>○ Related to research priorities</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expand a glossary of terms useful for forensic nursing practice</li> <li>• Analyze the influence of other systems on the health and well-being of forensic clients</li> <li>• Describe forensic client needs in terms of aspects of injury in addition to disease focus</li> <li>• Clarify professional boundaries and roles</li> <li>• Explore forensic nursing roles in mass disaster planning</li> <li>• Specify advanced practice forensic nursing roles for data collection and protocol supervision in forensic research</li> <li>• Extrapolate data collection strategies, instruments, case studies, decision trees, and clinical tools relevant to forensic nursing from the existing body of literature; proposed gaps in knowledge</li> <li>• Examine existing nurse practice acts and other legislation impacting the effective and autonomous practice of advanced practice forensic nursing (locally, nationally, and internationally)</li> <li>• Identify publications, influential communities and groups, and other opportunities for communicating and influencing policy and research</li> <li>• Propose strategies for the protection of human subjects in forensic nursing research</li> </ul>
<p>The advanced practice forensic nurse will develop and supervise systems of care for complex health problems related to accidents, trauma, crime, victimization, abuse, neglect, exploitation and all forms of violence.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organizational behavior applied to forensic settings and systems</li> <li>• Forensic issues and practices in healthcare systems</li> <li>• Leadership and management roles and skill</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Propose responses to ethical dilemmas occurring in forensic situations and contexts</li> <li>• Identify the needs, rights, and obligations of individuals, communities, and systems</li> </ul>

	<p>sets applied to forensic incidents and settings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health policy and related financial, jurisdictional, ethical, and political issues impacting forensic nursing and forensic clients</li> <li>• Public health models applied to forensic populations and incidents</li> <li>• Critical pathways, evidence-based practice models, and other decision-making models applied to forensic nursing</li> </ul>	<p>as they relate to forensic events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clarify roles for nurses for community empowerment and environmental change related to forensic issues</li> <li>• Recommend active strategies to advocate for devalued populations who are at risk for accidents, trauma, crime, victimization, violence, and abuse</li> <li>• Propose alternatives to program funding, budget facilitation, and reimbursement for advanced practice forensic nursing services</li> <li>• Analyze cost-effectiveness of advanced practice forensic nursing services</li> <li>• Propose strategies for increasing access to forensic nursing services</li> </ul>
<p>The advanced practice forensic nurse will educate others in the concepts and practice of forensic nursing and forensic health.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Levels of forensic nursing roles, based on academic preparation, skill sets and competencies, credentialing, and societal need</li> <li>• Teaching/learning strategies and educational goals related to forensic nursing as applied to different communities of interest             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Forensic clients</li> <li>○ Nursing</li> <li>○ Other healthcare providers</li> <li>○ Policy makers</li> <li>○ Public</li> </ul> </li> <li>• History and state of the practice of forensic nursing             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Evolution of the specialty, internationally, regionally, and locally</li> <li>○ Practice categories (subspecialties) within the specialty                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Comparison and differentiation of</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Differentiate forensic science, forensic medicine, forensic nursing, and other forensic-related disciplines</li> <li>• Propose teaching/learning strategies for the promotion of public health as it relates to violence</li> <li>• Describe effective teaching/learning strategies for clients in forensic-related crises</li> <li>• Assess effectiveness of forensic education among clients and others</li> <li>• Formulate narratives of forensic nursing practice</li> <li>• Describe characteristics of forensic nursing mentors</li> <li>• Translate technical references on forensic nursing to lay terminology</li> </ul>

	<p style="text-align: center;">subspecialties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Organizations and institutions involved in the development, implementation, and credentialing of forensic nursing</li><li>• Application of accreditation or other credentialing standards to academic programs in forensic nursing</li></ul>	
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