

Colorado

Clinical Scholar

Clinical Scholar is a five day course designed to increase the number of clinical placements available to students by increasing the number of nurses available to lead students in their place of employment.

A Clinical Scholar is a Baccalaureate level or more highly academically prepared registered nurse who will work with a school of nursing to instruct nursing students in a clinical setting. In general, Clinical Scholars maintain their current employment in a clinical facility and ideally host nursing students there.

Clinical Scholars assist with the valuable, hands-on instruction that can only be provided by skilled, veteran nurses. Additionally, Clinical Scholars will be involved in the evaluation of nursing students.

Upon completion of the course the expectation is that the Clinical Scholar will be actively involved in teaching nursing students.

This course is taught two times a year in spring and summer. Since February 1st of 2015, the course has been held four times with a total of one hundred nurses participating. Evaluations are completed with each course and adjustments made to curriculum based on evaluations and participant feedback.