Introductory Pharmacy Practice Experience (IPPE) Activities

These activities are designed to reinforce knowledge learned within class sessions, and to practice application of knowledge and skills within experiential sites. These activities will require students to be proactive while at community visits. Upon completion of these activities, students should solicit a brief discussion of the experience with the preceptor and complete documentation in E\*Value. Preceptors will then be asked to complete a brief rubric for each activity where the site preceptors will verify in E\*value that, (1) the student arrived at the experiential site to complete the activity and (2) the student completed the activity and had a brief discussion with the site preceptor about the activity.

Successful completion of all experiential activities is required to receive a passing final course grade. It is also required that these activities be completed during the timelines provided within this course. All experiential activities must be completed (activity completed by the student and paperwork submitted to the preceptor through E\*value) by the end of the semester. Any activities not completed by this date will be considered late and the student’s final grade % will decrease by one full letter grade (i.e., 10%). If an experiential activity is not completed, then the student’s final grade will be a fail.

1. Contraceptive Counseling
* Expectations and Instructions: Identify at least one patient that is prescribed an oral contraceptive and counsel them on proper use of the contraceptive, including but not limited to purpose of therapy (i.e., contraception, menstrual cycle control, noncontraceptive benefits), packaging, initiation, intended active-inactive pill use (e.g., 21-7, 24-4, extended manner), how to handle missed doses, potential adverse effects including ACHES, back up contraception (if applicable), STD protection (if applicable), and importance of adherence. If the patient has already been using an oral contraceptive, interview the patient to assess if they are using it appropriately and educate the patient as needed based on the information you gather from the patient. Refer back to the course materials and the oral contraceptive rubric as needed.
* When: This activity must be completed on a Community Visit