

UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX

FNP Residency Update Amid the Pandemic

May 19, 2020

Greetings MSN/FNP students,

We appreciate your patience as we work through the COVID-19 related logistics and protocols associated with returning to hosting in-person residency sessions at the Phoenix Campus. The University will be sending out communications to local campus students that our campuses will continue to remain closed through August 30th. However, the College of Nursing has been approved for an exception specifically for the MSN/FNP residencies.

We are planning to host five residency sessions from June through August to accommodate students whose residencies (April & June) have been impacted by the campus closure. Please note that these dates are subject to change based on local/state regulations.

COVID-19 Campus Protocols - Social distancing & PPE

- Upon or before entering the campus building, campus personnel will be doing a health screening each day, which consists of a temperature check and questions (see below).
- Students, staff, and faculty will be required to keep 6 feet of distance between each other whenever possible.
- Students, staff, and faculty are required to wear a cloth mask in common areas. Please bring your own mask if you can; the campus will have masks for those who cannot bring their own.
- During physical assessment practice and exams, students must wear a mask and gloves.
- Catering will be provided as individual boxed meals rather than buffet style.
- Exam rooms, classrooms, and any touched surfaces/items will be cleaned between exams and at the end of each day.
- Students are required to bring their own laptops to the residency daily.

Sign up for the residencies will be on a first-come basis. Please review the following information and notify Sonia.Riley@phoenix.edu as soon as possible with your preference.

- Each of the five sessions will be capped at 30 students, to allow for social distancing protocols.
- Once you complete your residency, your NRP/571 grade will be updated from IP to a letter grade.

Residency dates

June 25th – 29th

July 9th – 13th *Note: The Phoenix campus residency was already scheduled for this date so there are 13 available slots.*

July 16th – 20th

July 30th – August 3rd

August 13th – 17th

3-day versus 5-day residency

The first two days of residency are devoted to preparing for, and completing, the head to toe exam. Therefore, students who successfully completed the virtual head to toe exam will only attend the final 3 days of the residency. Those who did not complete the virtual head to toe exam will attend all 5 days of the residency.

Once your session date is confirmed the Residency Operations team will follow up with additional information about preparing for residency.

If you are unable to attend any of the listed dates for residency, please notify your Academic Counselor and Clinical Coordinator so we can explore available options. Above all else, our concern is for your health and safety and we will be taking the measures outlined in this letter during the residencies. We welcome your attendance and should you have any additional questions, you may contact your Academic Counselor.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Winston, PhD RN
Dean, College of Nursing

Health Screening Questions:

- **Do you have any of the following symptoms?**
- Fever, dry cough, body aches/pains, headache, sore throat, runny nose, tiredness, or shortness of breath
- **Have you been in contact with a confirmed or presumptive COVID-19 patient or someone who has been advised that he or she should assume that they have the virus in the past 14 days?**
- **Have you travelled outside the country in the past 14 days?**