



## MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (MSN)

### *Family/Individual Across the Lifespan Nurse Practitioner Program* (56 Quarter Credits)

- The program is organized into four 10-week quarters per academic year (Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer)
- The plan of study is designed with 1-2 courses per Quarter. *Please see plan of study on page 3*
- To review the program information and course descriptions please click [HERE](#)

#### DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

Core Courses (15 Credits)				
Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Prerequisites	Quarter(s) Offered
NURS500	Confronting Issues in Contemporary Health Care Environments	3	None	Fall/Winter/Spring
NURS502	Advanced Ethical Decision Making in Health Care	3	None	All Quarters
NURS544	Quality and Safety in Healthcare	3	None	All Quarters
RSCH503	Research Methods and Biostatistics	3	None	All Quarters
RSCH504	Evaluation and Translation of Health Research	3	RSCH503	All Quarters
Elective Courses (3 Credits)				
Elective Course	Graduate-Level Elective Course	3	None	All Quarters
Support Courses (14 Credits)				
Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Prerequisites	Quarter(s) Offered
NURS548	Advanced Pathophysiology	3	None	All Quarters
NURS549	Advanced Pharmacology	3	None	All Quarters
NURS550	Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning	4	Must take this course the spring quarter after NURS556 and immediately before NURS534	Spring Quarter
NURS664	Professional Issues for Nurse	1	All Core Courses	Fall and Spring



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	Practitioners			Quarter
NURS556	Pharmacology for Family Nurse Practitioners	3	All Core Courses, NURS548, & NURS549	Winter Quarter
<b>Clinical Courses (24 Credits)</b>				
Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Prerequisites	Quarter(s) Offered
NURS534	FNP I Primary Care of the Emerging Family <i>(Includes 160 Clinical Hours)</i>	5	All Core and Support Courses	Summer Quarter
NURS535	FNP II Primary and Episodic Care of Infants, Children, and Adolescents <i>(Includes 160 Clinical Hours)</i>	5	NURS534	Fall Quarter
NURS536	FNP III Primary Care of Adults and Older Adults Across the Adult Age Spectrum I <i>(Includes 160 Clinical Hours)</i>	5	NURS535	Winter Quarter
NURS537	FNP IV Primary Care of Adults and Older Adults Across the Adult Age Spectrum II <i>(Includes 160 Clinical Hours)</i>	5	NURS536	Spring Quarter
NURS538	FNP V Integrative Practicum in Family Practice Across the Lifespan <i>(Includes 80 Clinical Hours)</i>	4	NURS537	Summer Quarter

**IMPORTANT NOTES**

- A final grade of a **B** or better is required for each course.
- Students must maintain a 3.00 or higher for both “Term GPA” and “Cumulative GPA”.
- Financial Aid/Student Loans – Graduate students who utilize student loans must maintain a minimum enrollment of *4.5 credits per quarter*.
- The Graduate College policy requires students to complete the program within five years of their first enrollment term.

**SAMPLE PLAN OF STUDY:**

	<b>FALL QUARTER</b>	<b>WINTER QUARTER</b>	<b>SPRING QUARTER</b>	<b>SUMMER QUARTER</b>
<b>YEAR ONE</b>	NURS500 (3 Credits)	NURS502 (3 Credits)	NURS549 (3 Credits)	Elective Course (3 Credits)
	NURS544 (3 Credits)	RSCH503 (3 Credits)	RSCH504 (3 Credits)	
<b>YEAR TWO</b>	NURS548 (3 Credits)	*NURS556 (3 Credits)	*NURS550 (4 Credits)	*NURS534 (5 Credits)
	Mandatory Online Clinical Orientation		NURS664 (1 Credit)	
<b>YEAR THREE</b>	*NURS535 (5 Credits)	*NURS536 (5 Credits)	*NURS537 (5 Credits)	*NURS538 (4 Credits)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Courses marked with a (*) have weekly, synchronous virtual class sessions, which have mandatory attendance. Please note any course in the plan of study may require mandatory, synchronous virtual sessions.</li> <li>• The mandatory online clinical orientation is a synchronous, one-night information session. This is not a course for credit.</li> <li>• Nurse Practitioner students are required to take NURS550 – Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning, the spring quarter immediately preceding the first clinical-based course and after the completion of the track specific pharmacology course.</li> <li>• Clinical courses require both clinical and didactic coursework. Both clinical and didactic coursework must be successfully completed to earn a passing grade in the course.</li> </ul>				

**See full course information above**