



MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (MSN)

Pediatric Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Program

(57 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 NURS646 and immediately before NURS642	Spring Quarter
NURS664	Professional Issues for Nurse	1	All Core Courses	Fall and Spring



	Practitioners			Quarter
NURS646	Pharmacology for the Pediatric Nurse Practitioner	3	All Core Courses, NURS548, & NURS549	Winter Quarter
Clinical Courses (25 Credits)				
Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Prerequisites	Quarter(s) Offered
NURS642	PNP I: Primary Care of Infants, Children and Adolescents <i>(Includes 160 Clinical Hours)</i>	5	All Core and Support Courses	Summer Quarter
NURS643	PNP II: Episodic Care of Infants, Children and Adolescents in Primary Care <i>(Includes 160 Clinical Hours)</i>	5	NURS642	Fall Quarter
NURS649	PNPAC I: Acute-Chronic Care of Infants, Children and Adolescents Management <i>(Includes 160 Clinical Hours)</i>	5	NURS643	Winter Quarter
NURS650	PNPAC II: Acute-Chronic Care of Infants, Children, and Adolescents Management <i>(Includes 160 Clinical Hours)</i>	5	NURS649	Spring Quarter
NURS651	PNP Management of the Medically Fragile and Technology Dependent Child in the Community <i>(Includes 80 Clinical Hours)</i>	5	NURS650	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:

	FALL QUARTER	WINTER QUARTER	SPRING QUARTER	SUMMER QUARTER
YEAR ONE	NURS500 (3 Credits)	NURS544 (3 Credits)	NURS548 (3 Credits)	Elective Course (3 Credits)
	NURS502 (3 Credits)	RSCH503 (3 Credits)	RSCH504 (3 Credits)	
YEAR TWO	NURS549 (3 Credits)	*NURS646 (3 Credits)	*NURS550 (4 Credits)	*NURS642 (5 Credits)
	Mandatory Online Clinical Orientation		NURS664 (1 Credit)	
YEAR THREE	*NURS643 (5 Credits)	*NURS649 (5 Credits)	*NURS650 (5 Credits)	*NURS651 (5 Credits)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. The mandatory online clinical orientation is a synchronous, one-night information session. This is not a course for credit. 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. 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. 				

See full course information above