



MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (MSN)

Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Program

(52 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 NURS555 and immediately before NURS592	Spring Quarter



NURS664	Professional Issues for Nurse Practitioners	1	All Core Courses	Fall and Spring Quarter
NURS555	Psychopharmacology Across the Lifespan	3	All Core Courses, NURS548, & NURS549	Winter Quarter
Clinical Courses (20 Credits)				
Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Prerequisites	Quarter(s) Offered
NURS592	PMHNP I: Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Theoretical Foundations and Psychopathology I <i>(Includes 160 Clinical Hours)</i>	5	All Core and Support Courses	Summer Quarter
NURS593	PMHNP II: Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Theoretical Foundations and Psychopathology II <i>(Includes 160 Clinical Hours)</i>	5	NURS592	Fall Quarter
NURS594	PMHNP III: Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Theoretical Foundations and Psychopathology III <i>(Includes 160 Clinical Hours)</i>	5	NURS593	Winter Quarter
NURS595	PMHNP IV: Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health NP Theoretical Foundations and Psychopathology IV <i>(Includes 160 Clinical Hours)</i>	5	NURS594	Spring 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)	NURS502 (3 Credits)	NURS 544 (3 Credits)	Elective Course (3 Credits)
	NURS549 (3 Credits)	NURS548 (3 Credits)	RSCH503 (3 Credits)	
YEAR TWO	RSCH504 (3 Credits)	*NURS555 (3 Credits)	*NURS550 (4 Credits)	*NURS592 (5 Credits)
	Mandatory Online Clinical Orientation		NURS664 (1 Credit)	
YEAR THREE	*NURS593 (5 Credits)	*NURS594 (5 Credits)	*NURS595 (5 Credits)	

- 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