

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (MSN)***Adult-Gerontology 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:**

<b>Core Courses (15 Credits)</b>				
<b>Course Number</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Prerequisites</b>	<b>Quarter(s) Offered</b>
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
<b>Elective Courses (3 Credits)</b>				
Elective Course	Graduate-Level Elective Course	3	None	All Quarters
<b>Support Courses (14 Credits)</b>				
<b>Course Number</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Prerequisites</b>	<b>Quarter(s) Offered</b>
NURS548	Advanced Pathophysiology	3	None	Fall/Spring/ Summer
NURS549	Advanced Pharmacology	3	None	Fall/Spring/ Summer
NURS550	Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning	4	Must take this course the spring quarter after NURS554 and immediately before NURS570	Spring Quarter
NURS664	Professional Issues for Nurse Practitioners	1	All Core Courses	Fall and Spring Quarter



NURS554	Advanced Pharmacology for Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioners	3	All Core Courses, NURS548, & NURS549	Winter Quarter
<b>Clinical Courses (25 Credits)</b>				
<b>Course Number</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Prerequisites</b>	<b>Quarter(s) Offered</b>
NUPR 520	Nurse Practitioner Clinical Orientation Seminar	0		Fall
NURS570	Adult Gerontology Acute Care NP I: Introduction to Adult Gerontology Acute Care Medicine <i>(Includes 160 Clinical Hours)</i>	5	All Core and Support Courses	Summer Quarter
NURS571	Adult Gerontology Acute Care NP II: Management/Care of Patients in Acute Critical Care Medical Settings <i>(Includes 160 Clinical Hours)</i>	5	NURS570	Fall Quarter
NURS572	Adult Gerontology Acute Care NP III: Management /Care of Patients in Acute Surgical Settings <i>(Includes 160 Clinical Hours)</i>	5	NURS571	Winter Quarter
NURS573	Adult Gerontology Acute Care NP IV: Management /Care of Patients in Critical Care Settings <i>(Includes 160 Clinical Hours)</i>	5	NURS572	Spring Quarter
NURS580	Adult Gerontology Acute Care NP V: Management /Care of Clients in Acute, Critical Care, Medicine, or Surgical Settings <i>(Includes 160 Clinical Hours)</i>	5	NURS573	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)	NURS544 (3 Credits)	NURS548 (3 Credits)	NURS549 (3 Credits)
	NURS502 (3 Credits)	RSCH503 (3 Credits)	RSCH504 (3 Credits)	Elective Course (3 Credits)
<b>YEAR TWO</b>	NUPR 520 (0 credits)	*NURS554 (3 Credits)	*NURS550 (4 Credits)	*NURS570 (5 Credits)
			NURS664 (1 Credit)	
<b>YEAR THREE</b>	*NURS571 (5 Credits)	*NURS572 (5 Credits)	*NURS573 (5 Credits)	*NURS580 (5 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**