MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING PROGRAM
ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSING: ADULTS

PURPOSE

Adult Nurse Practitioner
The program prepares nurses for advanced practice with adults in primary care settings. The graduate has advanced knowledge of health promotion and disease prevention, advanced physical assessment, diagnosis, and management of chronic and episodic health problems. Graduates will be academically eligible to take the national certification examination for the Adult Nurse Practitioner.

Clinical Nurse Specialist
The program prepares nurses for advanced nursing practice with a specific aggregate of adults in a variety of settings. The graduate has advanced knowledge of nursing that leads to high quality and cost-effective outcomes in three spheres of influence: the patient/client sphere, nursing and nursing practice sphere, and the organization/system sphere. Graduates will be academically eligible to take a national certification examination for the Clinical Nurse Specialist.

The Master of Science in Nursing degree requires 42 credit hours of course work and may be completed on a full- or part-time basis.

Adult Nurse Practitioner Curriculum

Core Courses – 12 Credits
- Nurs 6000 Theoretical Foundations
- Nurs 6007 Ethics in Health Care
- Nurs 6009 Creating Nursing Care Systems
- Nurs 6010 Nursing Research Design and Methodology

Foundation Courses – 9 Credits
- Nurs 6030 Pathophysiological Concepts for Advanced Nursing Practice
- Nurs 6032 Pharmacology for Advanced Practice Nurses
- Nurs 6035 Advanced Health Assessment

Specialty Courses – 21 Credits
- Nurs 6037 Management of Episodic Health Problems
- Nurs 6240 Complex Health Problems
- Nurs 6242 Concepts and Interventions for Health Problems Across the Lifespan
- Nurs 6244 Health Promotion Across the Lifespan
- Nurs 6251 Advanced Nursing of Adults 1 Practicum
- Nurs 6252 Advanced Nursing of Adults 2 Practicum
- Nurs 6257 Advanced Nursing of Adults 3 Practicum

Clinical Nurse Specialist Curriculum

Core Courses – 12 Credits
- Nurs 6000 Theoretical Foundations
- Nurs 6007 Ethics in Health Care
- Nurs 6009 Creating Nursing Care Systems
- Nurs 6010 Nursing Research Design and Methodology

Foundation Courses – 9 Credits
- Nurs 6030 Pathophysiological Concepts for Advanced Nursing Practice
- Nurs 6032 Pharmacology for Advanced Practice Nurses
- Nurs 6035 Advanced Health Assessment

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- 3 Electives (Courses selected to meet student individual needs. May include among others: Heal 6820 Program Planning, Nurs 6240 Complex Health Problems, Heal 6845 Case Management, Nurs 6340 Complex Acute Care, Nurs 6021 Curriculum and Instruction, Nurs 6440 Theoretical Constructs in Aging)