

RN-MSN: Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)

The RN-MSN FNP option prepares registered nurses for leadership in primary care to families and individuals of all ages. With a focus on delivering high-quality, patient-centered primary care, we offer didactic and clinical experiences to prepare you to care for the physical, mental, emotional, social and spiritual health of patients, families and communities. This three-year, part-time distance education program admits in the spring semester and is designed to seamlessly move the RN into MSN coursework. The requirements for the BSN degree are met after the fourth semester. This program requires a total of 54 credits of coursework and the completion of a professional portfolio providing additional credits for advanced standing and competency. Students who move on to the MSN phase will complete 700 clinical hours. Preceptor and site information must be submitted to the school and approved before a student's clinical work can begin. On-campus components of the program include clinical skill evaluations during the second and third years.

YEAR ONE, SPRING: 6 CREDITS	YEAR ONE, SUMMER: 6 CREDITS	YEAR ONE, FALL: 6 CREDITS
NURS 4417	NURS 6202 ^	NURS 6220
NURS 4119	NURS 6203 ^	NURS 6233 ^
YEAR TWO, SPRING: UP TO 21 CREDITS	YEAR TWO, SUMMER: 6 CREDITS	YEAR TWO, FALL: 7 CREDITS
NURS 4121	NURS 6222*	NURS 6230 †
NURS 6205 ^	NURS 6234	
NURS 6207 ^		
YEAR THREE, SPRING: 8 CREDITS	YEAR THREE, SUMMER: 8 CREDITS	YEAR THREE, FALL: 8 CREDITS
NURS 6231*†	NURS 6208	NURS 6232 *†

NURS 4121 may allow you to be eligible for advanced standing for an additional 15 credits after a portfolio review.

NURS 6220 is only required for students continuing on to complete the MSN degree.

NURS 6233 is mandatory for students continuing on to MSN coursework. However, students electing not to continue on to complete an MSN can take another elective from the approved electives list for the RN-BSN program.

^ Indicates a course that also counts toward the MSN degree if you continue your MSN directly after your BSN degree.

* Indicates a course with an on-campus component.

† Indicates a course with a clinical practicum.

Course requirements

COURSE	TITLE	CREDIT
NURS 4417	Community and Public Health Nursing	3
NURS 4119	Patient Safety and Health Care Quality	3
NURS 4121	Nursing Advancement Professional Portfolio	0-15
NURS 6202	Concepts in Population Health	3
NURS 6203	Nursing Leadership	3

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COURSE	TITLE	CREDIT
NURS 6205	Health Policy, Quality and Political Processes	3
NURS 6207	Evidence Based Practice for Health Care Researchers	3
NURS 6208	Biostatistics for Health Care Researchers	3
NURS 6220	Advanced Physiology and Pathophysiology	3
NURS 6222	Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning*	4
NURS 6230	Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)1: Lifespan Primary Care/ Diagnosis/Management †	4
NURS 6231	Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)2: Lifespan Primary Care/ Diagnosis/Management*†	8
NURS 6232	Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)3: Professional Issues/ Diagnosis/Management*†	8
NURS 6233	Genetics for Health Care Providers	3
NURS 6234	Advanced Pharmacology for Nursing	3

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