

 FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY	NEW/CHANGE PROGRAM REQUEST Graduate Programs		UGPC Approval _____ UFS Approval _____ Banner _____ Catalog _____
	Department Nursing College Nursing		
Program Name Adult/Gerontological Nurse Practitioner and Family Nurse Practitioner		☐ New Program* ☒ Change Program*	Effective Date (TERM & YEAR) Summer 2024
Please explain the requested change(s) and offer rationale below or on an attachment. In the most recent Standards for Quality Nurse Practitioner Education (NTF Standards, 2022), the number of direct care clinical hours required for nurse practitioner students has increased to a minimum of 750 hours. Although the 750 hours is not yet required for students to sit for national certification, as schools are implementing this change, it will become the standard for certification. The current MSN program of study for the Adult-Gerontological and Family Nurse Practitioner concentrations requires 600 direct care clinical hours and the plans of study for the two concentrations are the same until the last semester of study. In order to meet the new 750 minimum hour criteria the proposal is to add 3 credits of clinical practicum to the curriculum, which increases the total credit hours from 49 to 52 for both concentrations of study. This will be accomplished by extending the clinical hours required for NGR6200L from 3 credits to 5 credits. For this course (NGR 6200L) 3 credits (180 direct care clinical hours) will be taken in the spring semester and 2 credits (120 direct care clinical hours) will be taken the following summer. The syllabus for this course will reflect the required direct care clinical hours for each semester. In addition, NGR 6605L which is taught in the following fall will increase from 3 credits to 4 credits to reflect 240 direct care clinical hours.			
*All new programs and changes to existing programs must be accompanied by a catalog entry showing the new or proposed changes.			
Faculty Contact/Email/Phone Katherine Chadwell kchadwel@health.fau.edu 561-297-2535		Consult and list departments that may be affected by the change(s) and attach documentation None	
Approved by Department Chair _____ College Curriculum Chair _____ College Dean _____ UGPC Chair _____ UGC Chair _____ Graduate College Dean _____ UFS President _____ Provost _____		Date 3/12/2024 3/14/2024 3/14/24	

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CURRICULUM PLANS FOR MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING CONCENTRATIONS

Adult/Gerontological Nurse Practitioner — 49 52 credits

Provides graduates with the advanced skills and knowledge to assume the role of Adult/Gerontological Primary Care Nurse Practitioner with an emphasis on responding to calls from adolescents, adults and older adults. The unique features of this program are that it is inclusive of care to culturally diverse adolescents, adults and older adults.

The Adult/Gerontological Nurse Practitioner curriculum requires a total of 49 52 credits. The program generally follows a part-time format of study. The curriculum contains a minimum of ~~600~~780 hours of required clinical practice. Attainment of competencies may require more than ~~600~~780 hours. Placements may occur in health department clinics, private practice offices, home-health agencies, community-based health centers, hospitals, long-term care institutions and other settings providing health care to adolescents, adults and older adults.

Graduates of the Adult/Gerontological Primary Care Nurse Practitioner program are eligible to sit for the Certification Examination offered by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) or the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP).

Graduate Core Courses - 12 credits

Advanced Nursing Practice Grounded in Caring	NGR 6110	3
Philosophical and Theoretical Foundations of Advanced Nursing Practice Roles	NGR 6811	3
Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice	NGR 6812	3
Leadership, Policy and Finance in Advanced Nursing Practice	NGR 6891	3

Direct Care Core Courses - 9 credits

Advanced Health Assessment	NGR 6002	2
Advanced Health Assessment Lab*	NGR 6002L	1
Advanced Pathophysiology	NGR 6141	3
Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics	NGR 6172	3

Concentration Courses — 28 31 credits

Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics 2	NGR 6176	3
Perspectives of Aging	NGR 6251	3
Primary Care 1: Foundations of Advanced Nursing Practice	NGR 6200	3
Primary Care 1 Practicum: Foundations of Advanced Nursing Practice*	NGR 6200L	<u>35</u>
Women's Health: Nursing Situations in Advanced Practice	NGR 6342	3
Primary Care 2: Foundations of Advanced Nursing Practice	NGR 6605	3
Primary Care 2 Practicum: Foundations of Advanced Nursing Practice**	NGR 6605L	<u>34</u>
Comprehensive Care of Adolescents through Older Adults	NGR 6607	3

Total credits**4952**

* Requires 180 hours (3 credits) of supervised clinical practical experience in the spring semester and requires 120 hours (2 credits) of supervised clinical practical experience in the summer semester.

** Requires 240 hours of supervised clinical practical experience.

Note: Baccalaureate-level pharmacology, pathophysiology and health assessment courses are recommended if taken more than five years from program enrollment.

Fee for Lab/Practicum Courses

All lab and nurse practitioner practicum courses incur a \$150 per credit fee. The fee covers the higher cost of instruction for these courses due to lower faculty/student ratios, travel for site visits and increasing use of simulation and standardized patients. To view our full cost of attendance information page, visit <https://www.fau.edu/finaid/other/cost-of-attendance/>.

The following courses carry this fee:

NGR 6002L, 1 credit, \$150 fee

NGR 6200L (Spring), 3 credits, \$450 fee

NGR6200L (Summer), 2 credits, \$300 fee

NGR 6605L, ~~3-4~~credits, ~~\$450~~\$600 fee

NGR 6607L, 4 credits, \$600 fee

Family Nurse Practitioner - 4952 credits

Provides graduates with advanced practice role preparation, knowledge and skills in the care of children and adults across all ages within a family framework. Health promotion, disease prevention and management of common acute and chronic long-term health alterations in primary care settings are the foci of this concentration.

The Family Nurse Practitioner curriculum requires 4952 credits. The program generally follows a part-time format of study. The curriculum contains a minimum of ~~600~~780 hours of required clinical practice, most of which may be arranged by the student in her or his own community. Attainment of competencies may require more than ~~600~~780 hours. Practicum experiences occur in health department clinics, private practice offices, HMO clinics, community-based health centers, hospital clinics and other settings providing primary health care.

Graduates of the Family Nurse Practitioner program are eligible to sit for the Family Nurse Practitioner Certification Examination offered by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) or the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP).

Graduate Core Courses - 12 credits

Advanced Nursing Practice Grounded in Caring	NGR 6110	3
Philosophical and Theoretical Foundations of Advanced Nursing Practice Roles	NGR 6811	3
Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice	NGR 6812	3
Leadership, Policy and Finance in Advanced	NGR 6891	3

Nursing Practice

Direct Care Core Courses - 9 credits

Advanced Health Assessment	NGR 6002	2
Advanced Health Assessment Lab	NGR 6002L	1
Advanced Pathophysiology	NGR 6141	3
Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics	NGR 6172	3

Concentration Courses - ~~28~~31 credits

Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics 2	NGR 6176	3
Primary Care 1: Foundations of Advanced Nursing Practice	NGR 6200	3
Primary Care 1 Practicum: Foundations of Advanced Nursing Practice*	NGR 6200L	<u>3</u> 5
Care of Children: Nursing Situations in Advanced Practice	NGR 6301	3
Women's Health: Nursing Situations in Advanced Practice	NGR 6342	3
Primary Care 2: Foundations of Advanced Nursing Practice	NGR 6605	3
Primary Care 2 Practicum: Foundations of Advanced Nursing Practice**	NGR 6605L	<u>3</u> 4
Primary Care of Families: Comprehensive Advanced Nursing Practice	NGR 6619	3
Primary Care of Families Practicum**	NGR 6619L	4
Total credits		<u>49</u>52

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NGR 6619L, 4 credits, \$600 fee