

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (MSN)

MSN Programs

The School of Nursing and Health Studies offers three specialty tracks in advanced practice nursing and nursing education. Students must complete the coursework as specified in the Plan of Study for the specific track under which they were admitted and as listed in the Academic Bulletin and the Student Handbook (http://www.miami.edu/sonhs/index.php/sonhs/current_students/student_handbooks/). Students must also successfully complete the courses in each semester to progress to the next. Questions related to degree requirements should be directed to the appropriate Associate Dean or Program Director, or staff member in the OSS (http://www.miami.edu/sonhs/index.php/sonhs/office_of_student_services/).

Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Program

The Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (AGACNP) program is designed to prepare nurses to care for patients who are acutely and critically ill. Graduates of this program are eligible to take the AGACNP certification exam offered by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) and the ACNP-AG certification exam offered by the American Association of Critical-Care Nurses (AACN).

The Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner program may be completed by finishing one of the following tracks:

- Full-time (3 Semesters)
- Part-time (5 Semesters)

The Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner program is a lock-step program.

Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Program

The Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner program may be completed by finishing one of the following tracks:

- Full-time (3 Semesters)
- Part-time (5 Semesters)
- Part-time Sylvester Program (6 Semesters)

The Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner program is a lock-step program.

Family Nurse Practitioner Program

The Family Nurse Practitioner program may be completed by finishing one of the following tracks:

- Full-time (3 Semesters)
- Part-time (5 Semesters)

The Family Nurse Practitioner program is a lock-step program.

Curriculum Requirements: Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner

Code	Title	Credit Hours
NUR 601	Advanced Pharmacology	3
NUR 606	Advanced Practice Preparation	0
NUR 610	Adult Gerontology Acute Care I	4
NUR 612	Physiology/Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice Nursing	3
NUR 613	Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning	3
NUR 608	Concepts in Advanced Practice Nursing	3
NUR 621	Diagnostics and Nursing Interventions for Acute Care Nursing	3
NUR 625	Adult Gerontology Acute Care II	7
NUR 609	Professionalism in Advanced Practice Nursing	2
NUR 630	Research Methods and Evidence-Based Practice	3
NUR 638	Adult Gerontology Acute Care III	6
Total Credit Hours		37

Curriculum Requirements: Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner

Code	Title	Credit Hours
NUR 601	Advanced Pharmacology	3
NUR 606	Advanced Practice Preparation	0

NUR 612	Physiology/Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice Nursing	3
NUR 613	Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning	3
NUR 628	Adult Gerontology I	5
NUR 608	Concepts in Advanced Practice Nursing	3
NUR 631	Adult Gerontology II	6
NUR 609	Professionalism in Advanced Practice Nursing	2
NUR 630	Research Methods and Evidence-Based Practice	3
NUR 702	Adult Gerontology III	7
Total Credit Hours		35

Curriculum Requirements: Family Nurse Practitioner

Code	Title	Credit Hours
NUR 601	Advanced Pharmacology	3
NUR 606	Advanced Practice Preparation	0
NUR 612	Physiology/Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice Nursing	3
NUR 613	Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning	3
NUR 628	Adult Gerontology I	5
NUR 608	Concepts in Advanced Practice Nursing	3
NUR 623	Maternal Child Health in Primary Care Practice	5
NUR 631	Adult Gerontology II	4
NUR 609	Professionalism in Advanced Practice Nursing	2
NUR 630	Research Methods and Evidence-Based Practice	3
NUR 647	Advanced Practice Nursing Integration	6
Total Credit Hours		37

Plan of Study: MSN - Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (listed by FT/PT track)

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Full-time (3 Semesters) Plan of Study

Course	Hours	Class Credits	Clinical Credits	Clinical Hours
Fall I				
NUR 601	Advanced Pharmacology	3	3	0
NUR 606	Advanced Practice Preparation ²	0	0	0
NUR 610	Adult Gerontology Acute Care I	4	2	2
NUR 612	Physiology/Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice Nursing	3	3	0
NUR 613	Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning ¹	3	2	1
Total for Semester		13	10	3
Spring I				
NUR 608	Concepts in Advanced Practice Nursing	3	3	0

NUR 621	Diagnostics and Nursing Interventions for Acute Care Nursing	3	2	1	56
NUR 625	Adult Gerontology Acute 7 Care II		3	4	224
Total for Semester		13	8	5	280
Summer I					
NUR 609	Professionalism in Advanced Practice Nursing	2	2	0	0
NUR 630	Research Methods and Evidence-Based Practice	3	3	0	0
NUR 638	Adult Gerontology Acute 6 Care III		2	4	224
Total for Semester		11	7	4	224
Total Program		37	25	12	616

¹ NUR 613 includes 28 lab hours that are not included in clinical hours.

² This course is completed online via Blackboard prior to matriculation. Students are registered for the course in their first semester.

Part-time (5 Semesters) Plan of Study

Spring I		Hours	Class Credits	Clinical Credits	Clinical Hours
NUR 601	Advanced Pharmacology	3	3	0	0
NUR 606	Advanced Practice Preparation ²	0			
NUR 612	Physiology/ Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice Nursing	3	3	0	0
Total for Semester		6	6		
Summer I					
NUR 609	Professionalism in Advanced Practice Nursing	2	2	0	0
NUR 613	Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning ¹	3	2	1	0
NUR 630	Research Methods and Evidence-Based Practice	3	3	0	0
Total for Semester		8	7	1	
Fall I					
NUR 608	Concepts in Advanced Practice Nursing	3	3	0	0
NUR 610	Adult Gerontology Acute 4 Care I		2	2	112
Total for Semester		7	5	2	112
Spring II					
NUR 621	Diagnostics and Nursing Interventions for Acute Care Nursing	3	2	1	56
NUR 625	Adult Gerontology Acute 7 Care II		3	4	224
Total for Semester		10	5	5	280

Summer II					
NUR 638	Adult Gerontology Acute Care III	6	2	4	224
Total for Semester		6	2	4	224
Total Program		37	25	12	616

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Plan of Study: MSN - Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner (listed by FT/PT track)

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Full-time (3 Semesters) Plan of Study

Fall I		Hours	Class Credits	Clinical Credits	Clinical Hours
NUR 601	Advanced Pharmacology	3	3	0	0
NUR 606	Advanced Practice Preparation ²	0			
NUR 612	Physiology/ Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice Nursing	3	3	0	0
NUR 613	Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning ¹	3	2	1	0
NUR 628	Adult Gerontology I	5	2	3	168
Total for Semester		14	10	4	168
Spring I					
NUR 608	Concepts in Advanced Practice Nursing	3	3	0	0
NUR 631	Adult Gerontology II	6	2	4	224
Total for Semester		9	5	4	224
Summer I					
NUR 609	Professionalism in Advanced Practice Nursing	2	2	0	0
NUR 630	Research Methods and Evidence-Based Practice	3	3	0	0
NUR 702	Adult Gerontology III	7	3	4	224
Total for Semester		12	8	4	224
Total Program		35	23	12	616

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Part-time (5 Semesters) Plan of Study

Spring I		Hours	Class Credits	Clinical Credits	Clinical Hours
NUR 601	Advanced Pharmacology	3	3	0	0
NUR 606	Advanced Practice Preparation ²	0			
NUR 612	Physiology/ Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice Nursing	3	3	0	0
Total for Semester		6	6		
Summer I					
NUR 609	Professionalism in Advanced Practice Nursing	2	2	0	0
NUR 613	Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning ¹	3	2	1	0
NUR 630	Research Methods and Evidence-Based Practice	3	3	0	0
Total for Semester		8	7	1	
Fall I					
NUR 608	Concepts in Advanced Practice Nursing	3	3	0	0
NUR 628	Adult Gerontology I	5	2	3	168
Total for Semester		8	5	3	168
Spring II					
NUR 631	Adult Gerontology II	6	2	4	224
Total for Semester		6	2	4	224
Summer II					
NUR 702	Adult Gerontology III	7	3	4	224
Total for Semester		7	3	4	224
Total Program		35	23	12	616

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Part-time Sylvester Program (6 Semesters) Plan of Study

Summer I		Hours	Class Credits	Clinical Credits	Clinical Hours
NUR 601	Advanced Pharmacology	3	3	0	0
NUR 606	Advanced Practice Preparation ²	0			
NUR 612	Physiology/ Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice Nursing	3	3	0	0
Total for Semester		6	6		
Fall I					
NUR 609	Professionalism in Advanced Practice Nursing	2	2	0	0

NUR 630	Research Methods and Evidence-Based Practice	3	3	0	0
Total for Semester		5	5		
Spring I					
NUR 608	Concepts in Advanced Practice Nursing	3	3	0	0
NUR 613	Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning	3	2	1	0
Total for Semester		6	5	1	
Summer II					
NUR 628	Adult Gerontology I	5	2	3	168
Total for Semester		5	2	3	168
Fall II					
NUR 631	Adult Gerontology II	6	2	4	224
Total for Semester		6	2	4	224
Spring II					
NUR 702	Adult Gerontology III	7	3	4	224
Total for Semester		7	3	4	224
Total Program		35	23	12	616

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Plan of Study: MSN - Family Nurse Practitioner (listed by FT/PT track)

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Full-time (3 Semesters) Plan of Study

Fall I		Hours	Class Credits	Clinical Credits	Clinical Hours
NUR 601	Advanced Pharmacology	3	3	0	0
NUR 606	Advanced Practice Preparation ²	0			
NUR 612	Physiology/ Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice Nursing	3	3	0	0
NUR 613	Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning ¹	3	2	1	0
NUR 628	Adult Gerontology I	5	2	3	168
Total for Semester		14	10	4	168
Spring I					
NUR 608	Concepts in Advanced Practice Nursing	3	3	0	0
NUR 623	Maternal Child Health in Primary Care Practice	5	3	2	112
NUR 631	Adult Gerontology II	4	2	2	112
Total for Semester		12	8	4	224
Summer I					

NUR 609	Professionalism in Advanced Practice Nursing	2	2	0	0
NUR 630	Research Methods and Evidence-Based Practice	3	3	0	0
NUR 647	Advanced Practice Nursing Integration	6	2	4	224
Total for Semester		11	7	4	224
Total Program		37	25	12	616

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Part-time (5 Semesters) Plan of Study

Spring I		Hours	Class Credits	Clinical Credits	Clinical Hours
NUR 601	Advanced Pharmacology	3	3	0	0
NUR 606	Advanced Practice Preparation ²	0			
NUR 612	Physiology/ Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice Nursing	3	3	0	0
Total for Semester		6	6		
Summer I					
NUR 609	Professionalism in Advanced Practice Nursing	2	2	0	0
NUR 613	Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning ¹	3	2	1	0
NUR 630	Research Methods and Evidence-Based Practice	3	3	0	0
Total for Semester		8	7	1	
Fall I					
NUR 608	Concepts in Advanced Practice Nursing	3	3	0	0
NUR 628	Adult Gerontology I	5	2	3	168
Total for Semester		8	5	3	168
Spring II					
NUR 623	Maternal Child Health in Primary Care Practice	5	3	2	112
NUR 631	Adult Gerontology II	4	2	2	112
Total for Semester		9	5	4	224
Summer II					
NUR 647	Advanced Practice Nursing Integration	6	2	4	224
Total for Semester		6	2	4	224
Total Program		37	25	12	616

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Mission

The mission of the MSN program is to educate students and support faculty committed to excellence in the art and science of nursing and health care studies through creating and disseminating health knowledge and developing culturally competent leaders to provide safe service to our community, the nation, and the world.

Student Learning Outcomes

- Students will be able to incorporate professional ethics and social justice in the development of the advanced practice role.
- Students will demonstrate proficiency in comprehensive health assessment of individuals and families across the lifespan at an advanced practice nursing level.
- Students in the Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Track will be able to synthesize concepts and theories from the basic sciences, humanities, medicine, and nursing in learning to deliver care to this population of patients.
- Students from the Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner program will be able to identify, describe, analyze and evaluate a topic on issues of aging which will demonstrate ability to integrate and manage health and social problems in the Adult Gerontology population.
- Students from the Family Nurse Practitioner program will demonstrate ability to integrate information to manage acute and chronic health problems in advanced clinical practice with emphasis on strategies for health maintenance and health promotion.

Admission Requirements

- An earned Bachelor's degree in nursing from a regionally-accredited institution
 - Degree in nursing from a NLN or CCNE accredited program is preferred.
 - Registered nurses with a Bachelor's degree in other relevant science fields may be considered.
 - Direct entry Masters are ineligible to apply to this program.
- Minimum cumulative undergraduate GPA of 3.0
- Introductory statistics course
- Minimum of one year critical care experience is required for the Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner track
- Current, unrestricted RN license to practice nursing in the state of Florida or the state/territory of current practice

Applications are processed and reviewed on a continual basis.

For full application requirements, consult the SOHNS website (<https://www.sonhs.miami.edu/academics/masters-programs/>).