

POST-MASTERS FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

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Certificate Description

The online Post - Masters Family Nurse Practitioner Certificate Program at Youngstown State University is designed to prepare the Post-Masters prepared nurse with opportunities to build upon their current knowledge and obtain additional advanced practice knowledge and skill enabling them to provide direct primary care across the lifespan. The Family Nurse Practitioner Certificate Program is not a degree program. This certificate program is designed to enhance the professional development of the masters prepared nurse by providing education and training that prepares them for a family nurse practitioner's role.

The program is delivered in a fully online format (<https://online.ysu.edu/degrees/nursing/msn/family-nurse-practitioner/>).

Youngstown State University online nursing program must meet the standards of the state(s) in which we possess authority to provide education and may only admit students from states in which we have approval. Online nursing program students must complete the program in the state of Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Michigan, or Florida.

Upon completion of the certificate, graduates are eligible to take the American Nurses Credentialing Center and/or the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners FNP certification examinations. Following national certification, graduates are also qualified to be recognized as a Family Nurse Practitioner and is granted prescriptive authority through the State Board of Nursing.

Advanced Standing Program (19 hours)

Applicants who already have an MSN degree with nurse practitioner qualifications are automatically considered for advanced standing status. The advanced standing program permits students to complete all requirements of the Family Nurse Practitioner option in 19 hours. This unique program blends online coursework and clinical experiences, including a practicum consisting of 600 hours in a variety of primary care settings.

Courses include:

NURS 7045 Family Nurse Practitioner 1 3 sh

NURS 7046 Family Nurse Practitioner 2 3 sh

NURS 7047 Family Nurse Practitioner 3 3 sh

NURS 7048 Family Nurse Practitioner 1 Practicum 3 sh

NURS 7049 Family Nurse Practitioner 2 Practicum 3 sh

NURS 7050 Family Nurse Practitioner 3 Practicum 3 sh

NURS 7051 Family Nurse Practitioner 4 Practicum 1 sh

Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) Option Curriculum

COURSE	TITLE	S.H.
Core Courses		
NURS 6902	Advanced Pathophysiology	3
NURS 6903	Advanced Pharmacology	3
NURS 6904	Advanced Health Assessment	3
NURS 6917	Differential Diagnosis	3
NURS 6918	Advanced Diagnostics and Technologies	3
NURS 7003	Role Development in Advanced Practice	3
NURS 7004	Role Development Practicum	2
Speciality Courses		
NURS 7045	Family Nurse Practitioner 1	3
NURS 7046	Family Nurse Practitioner 2	3
NURS 7047	Family Nurse Practitioner 3	3
NURS 7048	Family Nurse Practitioner 1 Practicum	3
NURS 7049	Family Nurse Practitioner 2 Practicum	3
NURS 7050	Family Nurse Practitioner 3 Practicum	3
NURS 7051	Family Nurse Practitioner 4 Practicum	1
Total Semester Hours		39

Students will complete 600 hours of supervised clinical practice as part of this certificate option for national certification eligibility.