POST-MASTER'S CERTIFICATE IN NURSING EDUCATION

Centofanti School of Nursing

Wendy M. Thomas, DNP, CNS, FNP 3313 Cushwa Hall (330) 941-2638 wmthomas@ysu.edu

Certificate Description

Designed specifically for nurses who hold MSN degrees, the Nursing Education – Post-Master's Certificate online program provides the nurse with opportunities to further their education and develop and refine new skills that will enhance their professional development as nurse educators.

The nursing education post-master's certificate program is designed to enhance the professional development of master's prepared registered nurses by providing education and training that prepares them for nursing educator roles and teaching positions in academic and service settings. This certificate program helps prepare the student to sit for the National League for Nursing Certified Nurse Educator examination.

Complete graduate admissions application and pay \$45 non-refundable application fee.

Official transcripts from all institutions previously attended

MSN degree with 3.0 GPA

Valid, current unencumbered RN license in the state you will complete practicum hours

Minimum 1 year of recent practice as a registered nurse by admission start

Complete graduate admissions application and pay \$45 non-refundable application fee

- 1. MSN degree from an accredited program
- Regular admission requires a cumulative undergraduate grade point average of at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) and verification of work experience
- 3. Minimum 1 year of *recent practice as a registered nurse by admission start date
- 4. Official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended
- Verification of a current, unencumbered RN license and expiration date in the state in which the student is licensed and practices and will be completing practicum hours

Clinical Hours and Experience

Applicants will complete a Supplemental Employment Verification form as part of the application process. This is used to verify *recent clinical hours and experience.

*Recent clinical experience is defined as clinical RN work experience within 3 years of first practicum course.

 Current BLS certification, immunizations, drug screen and criminal background checks are maintained while in the program annually

The YSU online nursing programs must meet the standards of the state(s) in which authority is approved to provide education and may only admit students from those states. Online nursing students must complete the program in the state of Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, or Michigan.

Certificate Requirements

The Nursing Education Post- Master's Certificate Program consists of 15 credit hours semester hours. The curriculum is designed to prepare students to implement the nurse educator role in a variety of settings. Students will develop competencies in program and curriculum design, implementation, instructional methods, and evaluation methods for diverse populations in a variety of settings.

Students are provided an opportunity to synthesize learning and function in the roles of a nurse educator by completing required nurse educator practicums of 3 credit hours.

COURSE	TITLE	S.H.
NURS 7018	Nursing Curriculum Design	3
NURS 7019	Nursing Instructional Methods	3
NURS 7021	Nurse Educator Role	3
NURS 7020	Evaluation in Nursing Education	3
NURS 7022	Nurse Educator Practicum 1	1
NURS 7023	Nurse Educator Practicum 2	2
Total Semester Hours		15

Centofanti School of Nursing MSN/Post-Master's Grade Requirements

Satisfactory academic progress at the graduate level is maintained by satisfying the following criteria:

- A degree-seeking graduate student must maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale). *Any required course grade of D or F must be repeated and passed with a grade of C or better.
- A degree-seeking graduate student must successfully meet the requirements, including the time requirement, of all comprehensive examinations of the degree program.
- A degree-seeking graduate student must complete with a passing grade any thesis requirements (or the equivalent) of the degree program.
- A non-degree graduate student must maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale).
- *Grades of D and F carry no graduate credit but will be used to determine
 the student's grade point average. A student has the privilege of repeating
 a course once, but the repetition is treated merely as another course, along
 with the first, in calculating the student's grade point average.
- *Any required course grade of D or F must be repeated and passed with a grade of C or better. Students may not advance in the program until they have taken the failed course, passed with a grade of C or better and maintain a GPA of 3.0.

For degree programs requiring up to 39 semester hours for completion, a student may count no more than six semester hours of coursework with a grade of C toward the minimum graduation hour requirements. For students in programs requiring 40 semester hours or more for completion, no more than nine semester hours of coursework with a grade of C may count toward the minimum graduation hour requirement.

*Grade Policy - Graduate Nursing Option-specific courses

In the six (6) **Nursing Education courses** (NURS 7018, NURS 7019, NURS 7020, NURS 7021, NURS 7022, NURS 7023), the student MUST earn a grade of B or A. If a student earns a C or lower grade in any of these courses, the course MUST be repeated. The student can only repeat the course once. If a grade of B or A is not earned on the second attempt, the student will not be permitted to progress in the Graduate Nursing program.

Learning Outcomes

- practice in advanced nurse educator roles within Academic, Health Care Delivery and Community settings.
- incorporate a variety of theories from nursing and related fields into nursing practice and education roles.
- analyze social issues related to Health Care Delivery Systems and nursing education.