

FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER

The areas of coursework in the M.S.N. program include core courses (16 semester hours), and one of the following options:

- Family Nurse Practitioner option (37 semester hours)

The breakdown of these course requirements is as follows:

COURSE	TITLE	S.H.
NURS 6900	Professional Issues in Nursing	3
NURS 6901	Nursing Science and Research 1	3
NURS 6902	Advanced Pathophysiology	3
NURS 6906	Advanced Statistics	3
NURS 7002	Nursing Science and Research 2	2
NURS 7005	Capstone Practicum	2
Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) Option Courses		
NURS 6903	Advanced Pharmacology	3
NURS 6904	Advanced Health Assessment	3
NURS 7003	Role Development	3
NURS 7004	Role Development Practicum	5
NURS 7024	Family and Women's Health	3
NURS 7025	Family and Women's Health Practicum	4
NURS 7026	Infant, Child and Adolescent Health	3
NURS 7027	Infant, Child and Adolescent Health Practicum	5
NURS 7028	Adult and Older Adult Health	3
NURS 7029	Adult and Older Adult Health Practicum	5
Total Semester Hours		53

- Hold a B.S.N. degree from an accredited program
- Current Ohio Registered Nurse license and minimum of one year professional work experience
- Current CPR certification, current immunizations, drug screening, and criminal background checks are to be maintained while in the program.
- All nurse anesthetist applicants must submit an official report of Graduate Record Examination (General Test) scores completed within the past five years.
- Applicants with a cumulative grade point average of less than 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) must submit an official report of Graduate Record Examination (General Test) scores completed within the past five years.
- Successful/satisfactory interview is required for all MSN nursing applicants meeting minimum requirements.
- Students not meeting regular admission requirements may be provisionally admitted. See the *Graduate Catalog* under Provisional Admission.

Applicants must submit the following items to Graduate Admissions in Coffelt Hall:

- Official transcripts from each college or institution of higher learning attended (other than YSU)
- Three satisfactory Recommendation Reference Forms: one each from a faculty member, an employer, and a colleague
- Letter of intent (300 words maximum) stating one's professional career goals and how graduate education in nursing will help fulfill said goals
- Resume or curriculum vita (including education, work and/or research experience, publications, certifications, licenses, grants, professional affiliations, awards, honors, presentations, and/or courses taught)

Application deadline for Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) option is February 1. The FNP option is a cohort-based program (beginning each Fall).

MSN Student Learning Outcomes

All graduates of the program are prepared to:

- Synthesize theory and research from nursing and related disciplines for advanced nursing roles.
- Utilize leadership strategies to influence health and health care and to promote the nursing profession in the advanced nursing role.
- Expand the knowledge of evidence-based practice by identifying nursing research problems and contributing to research investigations.
- Integrate assessment of own learning in developing a lifelong pattern of scholarly inquiry.

Upon successful completion of the MSN program, graduates are eligible to sit for national certification examinations. Once certified, graduates must apply for a Certificate of Authority to practice as an Advanced Practice Nurse in the State of Ohio or in the state in which they intend to practice.

Graduates of the Family Nurse Practitioner option are prepared to:

- provide primary care to families and persons of all ages within the health care delivery system
- incorporate a variety of theories from nursing and related fields into the nurse practitioner role
- analyze social issues related to the health care delivery system and advanced nursing practice

Admission Requirements

All nursing applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Regular admission requires a cumulative undergraduate grade point average of at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale)
- Satisfactory completion of undergraduate courses in health assessment, statistics, and research methods