POST-MASTER'S ADULT-GERONTOLOGY ACUTE CARE NURSE PRACTITIONER

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Certificate Description
The online Post Masters Adult Gerontology – Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (AG-ACNP) Certificate program option 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 to enable them to provide direct acute care to adult and older adult individuals and families.

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

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.

Graduates of this program will be qualified and eligible to take the American Nurses Credentialing Center AG-ACNP certification examination. Following national certification, graduates are also qualified to be recognized as an Adult Gerontology – Acute Care Nurse Practitioner and is granted prescriptive authority through the State Board of Nursing.

Advanced Standing Program (18 hours)
Applicants who have already earned 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 Adult Gerontology - Acute Care Nurse Practitioner option in 18 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 7037 Adult Gero Acute Care 1 3 sh
NURS 7039 Adult Gero Acute Care 2 3 sh
NURS 7041 Adult Gero Acute Care 3 3 sh
NURS 7038 Adult Gero Acute Care 1 Practicum 3 sh
NURS 7040 Adult Gero Acute Care 2 Practicum 3 sh
NURS 7042 Adult Gero Acute Care 3 Practicum 3 sh

Centofanti School of Nursing - Post-master’s Certificate 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).

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.

Learning Outcomes
• Provide direct acute care to the adult and older adult population within the Health Care Delivery System.
• Incorporate a variety of theories from nursing and related fields into the acute care nurse practitioner role.
• Analyze social issues related to the Health Care Delivery systems and Advanced Nursing Practice.