

SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES			
Degree: MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING		CURRICULUM	
Credits: 51			
Program: FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER			
Description: A Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) is a registered nurse (RN) with advanced education and training. Their goal is to help people be as healthy as possible. Family Nurse Practitioners advocate for health promotion and disease prevention. These professionals teach people ways to stay healthy and treat them for acute illness (e.g. colds) and chronic diseases (e.g. diabetes). Family Nurse Practitioners may perform health histories, physical assessment and examinations, order and interpret diagnostic/laboratory studies, diagnose and treat common illness and minor injuries, make referrals to specialists, counsel and teach health and nutrition, prescribe/manage medication therapy and provide continued/follow-up and coordinate care for patients at any stage of development throughout the lifespan.			
Course Code	Course Title	Credits	Pre-Requisites
CORE COURSES			
NURS 500	Theoretical Foundations of Advanced Practice Nursing	3	Concurrent with NURS 505
NURS 501	Public Health Policy, Ethics and Systems	3	NURS 505 and NURS 500
NURS 502	Nursing Science and the Research Process	3	NURS 500, Concurrent with HESC 500
NURS 503	Nursing Research Project: From Proposal to Publication (Semester)	3	NURS 502, HESC 500
NURS 505	Health Promotion and Disease Prevention: Transcultural Considerations	2	Concurrent with NURS 500
HESC 500	Statistics Applied to Clinical Research	3	Concurrent with NURS 502
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ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSING CORE COURSES			
NURS 506	Advanced Pathophysiology (Semester)	3	Concurrent with NURS 507
NURS 507	Advanced Pharmacology (Semester)	3	Concurrent with 506
NURS 504	Advanced History Taking and Physical Assessment	3	NURS 506 or concurrent with approval of first 8 weeks
NURS 508	Diagnostic & Differential Diagnosis	3	NURS 507 or concurrent with approval of first 8 weeks
NURS 509	Pharmacology for FNP's	3	NURS 510, NURS 507, Concurrent with NURS 511
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SPECIALTY COURSES			
NURS 510	Primary Care I	4	NURS 501, NURS 504, NURS 506, NURS 507, NURS 508
NURS 511	Primary Care II	4	NURS 510
NURS 512	Primary Care III	4	NURS 511, NURS 509
NURS 513	Residency	4	NURS 512
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ELECTIVE			
	Elective	3	
		3	

Minimum graduation GPA of 3.0

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FIRST YEAR – FIRST SEMESTER			
FIRST TERM			
NURS 500	Theoretical Foundations of Advanced Practice Nursing	3	Concurrent with NURS 505
NURS 505	Health Promotion and Disease Prevention: Transcultural Considerations	2	Concurrent with NURS 500
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SECOND TERM			
NURS 502	Nursing Science and the Research Process	3	NURS 500, Concurrent with HESC 500
HESC 500	Statistics Applied to Clinical Research	3	Concurrent with NURS 502
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FIRST YEAR – SECOND SEMESTER			
FIRST TERM			
NURS 506	Advanced Pathophysiology (Semester)	3	Concurrent with NURS 507
NURS 507	Advanced Pharmacology (Semester)	3	Concurrent with 506
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SECOND TERM			
NURS 504	Advanced History Taking and Physical Assessment	3	NURS 506 or concurrent with approval of first 8 weeks
NURS 508	Diagnostic & Differential Diagnosis	3	NURS 507 or concurrent with approval of first 8 weeks
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FIRST YEAR – SUMMER			
NURS 501	Public Health Policy, Ethics and Systems	3	NURS 505 and NURS 500
		3	
SECOND YEAR – FIRST SEMESTER			
FIRST TERM			
NURS 510	Primary Care I	4	NURS 501, NURS 504, NURS 506, NURS 507, NURS 508
NURS 503	Nursing Research Project: From Proposal to Publication (Semester)	3	NURS 502, HESC 500
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Course Code	Course Title	Credits	Pre-Requisites
SECOND TERM			
NURS 511	Primary Care II	4	NURS 510
NURS 509	Pharmacology for FNP's	3	NURS 510, NURS 507, Concurrent with NURS 511
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SECOND YEAR – FIRST SEMESTER			
FIRS TERM			
NURS 512	Primary Care III	4	NURS 511, NURS 509
	Elective (selected by the student with approval from Dept. Director) <i>Recommended but not mandatory:</i> <i>Course: NURS 514- Nutrition in Nursing</i>	3	
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SECOND TERM			
NURS 513	Residency	4	NURS 512
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