Master of Science in Nursing (MSN)

This degree map is based on the 2023-24 Academic Catalog and is subject to change. Students should meet with their academic advisor each semester and use Degree Works to monitor their individual progress toward degree completion. The time it takes to earn a degree will vary based on several factors including summer/winter enrollment, dual enrollment and number of courses successfully completed each semester.

**Sample 4-Year Plan - Part Time**

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Total credits 45
Curriculum Checklist

A. Required Core Nursing Courses (12 credits)
___ NRS 501 Theoretical Bases for Role Development in Advanced Nursing Practice (3)
___ NRS 502 Epidemiology (3)
___ NRS 503 Bases of Research for Advanced Nursing Practice (3)
___ NRS 520 Community Assessment & Planning (3)

B. Required Advanced Practice Nursing Courses (12 credits)
___ NRS 504 Pathophysiology Across the Lifespan for the Advanced Practice Nurse (3)
___ NRS 507 Pharmacology Across the Lifespan for the Advanced Practice Nurse (3)
___ NRS 508 Lifespan Health Assessment & Promotion for the Advanced Practice Nurse (6)

C. Required Nurse Practitioner Courses (21 credits)
___ NRS 515 Diagnosis & Management of Adults & Aged I (6)
___ NRS 516 Diagnosis & Management of Adults & Aged II (6)
___ NRS 529 Comprehensive Assessment of Older Adults (3)
___ NRS 534 Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Practicum & Seminar (6)

Degree Requirements

This course map indicates Part-time matriculation and a Fall semester start. However, the review of applications and acceptance into this program is in a rolling basis. A student can start in any semester and can choose a part-time option as well. An adviser will establish a course map for you if you decide to start in Spring/Summer semesters or decide to take a part-time option.

Students must complete all 45 credits and all course requirements for the selected major. Meet with your advisor and consult Degree Works to monitor your progress and for all graduation requirements.

A minimum GPA of 3.0 is required to maintain enrollment in the program.

Campus Locations

Bloomsburg  □ Online; □ In-person; ☒ Blended
Lock Haven  □ Online; □ In-person; ☒ Blended
Mansfield  □ Online; □ In-person; ☒ Blended
Clearfield  □ Online; □ In-person; ☒ Blended

Part-time or Full-time completion options are available.