Family Nurse Practitioner



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 2.5 - Year Plan- Full Time

First Year					
Fall Courses	Credits	Spring Courses	Credits	Summer Courses	Credits
NRS 501: Theoretical Bases for Role Development in Advanced Nursing Practice	3	NRS 507: Pharmacology Across the Lifespan for the Advanced Practice Nurse	3	NRS 529: Comprehensive Assessment of Older Adults	3
NRS 504: Pathophysiology Across the Lifespan for Advanced Practice Nurses	3	NRS 515: Diagnosis & Management of Adults & Aged I	6		
NRS 508: Lifespan Health Assessment & Promotion for the Advanced Practice Nurse	6	NRS 522: Family Theory Across the Lifespan	3		
Semester Total	12	Semester Total	12	Semester Total	3

Second Year					
Fall Courses	Credits	Spring Courses	Credits	Summer Courses	Credits
NRS 516: Diagnosis & Management of Adults & Aged II	6	NRS 502: Epidemiology Concepts for Advanced Nursing Practice	3		
NRS 503: Bases of Research for the Advanced Nursing Practice	3	NRS 517: Diagnosis & Management of Children & Pregnant Women	6		
Semester Total	9	Semester Total	9	Semester Total	

Third Year					
Fall Courses	Credits	Spring Courses	Credits	Summer Courses	Credits
NRS 541: Family Nurse Practitioner Practicum & Seminar	6				
NRS 520: Community Assessment & Planning	3				
Semester Total	9	Semester Total		Semester Total	

Total Credits 54

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

Curriculum Checklist

Practicum & Seminar (6)

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 (15 credits)
NRS 504 Pathophysiology Across the Lifespan for the Advanced P
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)
NRS 522 Family Theory Across the Lifespan (3)
C. Required Nurse Practitioner Courses (27 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 517 Diagnosis & Management of Pregnant Women &
Children (6)
NRS 541 Family Nurse Practitioner



Degree Requirements

This course map indicates full-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 54 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	\square Online; \square In-person; \boxtimes Blended
Lock Haven	☐ Online; ☐ In-person; ☒ Blended
Mansfield	☐ Online; ☐ In-person; ☒ Blended
Clearfield	☐ Online; ☐ In-person; ☒ Blended