MS in Nursing with Emphasis in Family Nurse Practitioner

Students who pursue the Family Nurse Practitioner MS(N) will be prepared to deliver evidence-based comprehensive primary healthcare to individuals of all ages, from birth through older adulthood, including the diagnoses and treatment of common acute episodic health problems and the management of chronic diseases. The student will utilize current research to provide health education to individuals and families and demonstrate expertise in health promotion and disease prevention. The student will be prepared to work independently and collaboratively to integrate advanced knowledge in the delivery of care to all populations including rural and other underserved communities.

- Manage clinical efforts in the primary care setting
- Provide visionary leadership
- Implement evidence-based practice

Degree Requirements

The MS(N) Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) curriculum provides core master's coursework in combination with FNP clinical specialty courses. The clinical specialty courses focus on care of the individual and the family, with a special emphasis on the rural and underserved, utilizing evidence practice guidelines.

The American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) and the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP) offers certification as a FNP. Students who have completed a master's degree in nursing in the FNP emphasis area are eligible to sit for the exam. Previous graduate-level coursework from another institution may be accepted toward the degree depending upon transcript review. Students must maintain a minimum cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 in order to graduate.

Students pursuing this degree are required to attend our Graduate Student Success Seminar and Competency Assessments in person on the University of Missouri campus. Please visit the School of Nursing website (https://nursing.missouri.edu/academic-programs/graduatecourses/) for details.

Some courses may require synchronous online class meetings. View our course offering schedule here (https://nursing.missouri.edu/academic-programs/graduatecourses/).

Core Courses

NURSE 7050	Introduction to Scholarly Writing	2
NURSE 7101	Graduate Student Success Seminar	0
NURSE 7110	Advanced Nursing Roles and Professional Communication	2
NURSE 7160	Scientific Foundations for Health Sciences	4
NURSE 8170	Public Health, Sociocultural Issues, and Health Policy	3
NURSE 8910	Translational Evidence-Based Nursing Practice	3
NURSE 8990	Practice Inquiry	1

Emphasis Area Requirements

NURSE 7102	Level II Competency Assessment	0
NURSE 7120	Advanced Physiology and Pathophysiology	3
NURSE 7130	Advanced Pharmacology and Pharmacotherapeutics	3
NURSE 7140	Advanced Health Assessment and Promotion	3.5
NURSE 7145	Procedures and Diagnostics	3.5
NURSE 8010	Family Dynamics and Intervention	2
NURSE 8103	Level III Competency Assessment	0
NURSE 8400	Adult and Geriatric Primary Care I	3.5
NURSE 8410	Adult and Geriatric Primary Care II	3.5
NURSE 8420	Newborn Through Adolescence Primary Care	3.5
NURSE 8430	Reproductive and Sexual Health Primary Care	3.5
NURSE 8550	Advanced Diagnostics and Reasoning in Practice	3.5
NURSE 8980	Advanced Clinical Nursing Practicum	3

Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans of study can be found on the Sinclair School of Nursing MSN webpage (https://nursing.missouri.edu/academic-programs/master-of-science-nursing/overview-of-msn-family-nurse-practitioner/).

Admissions

Applicants are required to meet two sets of minimum qualifications for admission: the requirements of the Master of Science program (https://nursing.missouri.edu/academic-programs/master-of-science-nursing/how-to-apply/)and the minimum requirements of the Graduate School (https://gradschool.missouri.edu/admissions/eligibility-process/). Because requirements vary, you *must* refer to a degree program's graduate admission page to learn about specific admission criteria, application deadlines, eligibility, and application process. Your application materials will be reviewed by both the Graduate School and the degree program to which you have applied before official admission to the University of Missouri.

Application Deadlines: After the application deadline, submitted materials will be reviewed. Applicants will receive notification of their acceptance decision within four weeks. Program application timelines vary by emphasis area. Refer to How to Apply (https://nursing.missouri.edu/academic-programs/master-of-science-nursing/application-process/) for specific deadlines.

State Authorization: Due to higher education regulation changes, the University of Missouri is unable to accept applications for admission to online programs from students residing in various states. You may find more information at this link: https://online.missouri.edu/about/state-authorization (https://online.missouri.edu/about/state-authorization/).

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