Post-Master's Certificate: Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner

Standard Plan of Study

19 Credits

Admissions Prerequisites:

- GNUR 6010: Advanced Pathophysiology, 4-0-0-4
- GNUR 6025: Advanced Health Assessment, 2-1-0-3
- GNUR 6020: Advanced Pharmacology, 4-0-0-4

FALL YEAR 1 (3 CREDITS)

GNUR 6251: Biological Basis of Mental Health and Mental Illness, 3-0-0-3

SPRING YEAR 1 (3 CREDITS)

• GNUR 6252: Mental Health Theories & Therapies, 3-0-0-3

SUMMER YEAR 1 (3 CREDITS)

GNUR 6253: PMH Disorders & Diagnoses, 3-0-0-3

FALL YEAR 2 (5 CREDITS)

• GNUR 7251: PMHNP Practicum I, 0-0-5-5

SPRING YEAR 2 (5 CREDITS)

GNUR 7254: PMHNP Practicum II, 0-0-5-5

Each SON course is identified by a 4-digit academic credit nomenclature: the first digit denotes the classroom hours, the second digit denotes the lab hours, the third digit denotes the clinical hours (1 credit = 56 hours), and the fourth digit denotes the total credits earned.

Students are required to enter the correct Plan of Study (POS) into the SIS Planner and review with the academic advisor each semester. Changes to the POS must be approved by the advisor and enrollment in a course outside of the POS is not guaranteed. Note: the term/semester of individual courses is subject to change.

Note: the program director or coordinator conducts a gap analysis for each certificate student at matriculation to assure compliance with national standards requiring that all post-graduate certificate students have educational preparation for the NP role, at least one population focus, and completion of the APRN core courses (NTF *Criteria for the Evaluation of NP Program*, 2016, III.F).

The certificate student may be required to take GNUR 6020, Advanced Pharmacology, or the specialty specific breakout offered in the Spring.

^{*}Refer to SIS or the Graduate Record for the most current information on course prerequisites.

The University of Virginia defines "full time" enrollment as a minimum of 12.0 credit hours per semester.