

SCHOOL of NURSING

Master of Science in Nursing (MSN): Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner

Standard Plan of Study (3 years)

42 credits

FALL YEAR 1 (7 CREDITS)
GNUR 6010: Advanced Pathophysiology, 4-0-0-4
GNUR 6025: Advanced Health Assessment, 2-1-0-3
SPRING YEAR 1 (7 CREDITS)
GNUR 6020: Advanced Pharmacology, 3-0-0-3
GNUR 6054: Research & Biostatistical Processes for Health Care, 4-0-0-4
SUMMER YEAR 1 (3 CREDITS)
 GNUR 6251: Biological Basis of Mental Health and Mental Illness, 3-0-0-3
FALL YEAR 2 (6 CREDITS)
GNUR 6027: Advanced Pharmacology Specialty Seminar, 1-0-0-1
GNUR 6252: Mental Health Theories & Therapies, 3-0-0-3
• GNUR 6056: Health Policy: Leading Change to Advance Population Health, 3-0-0-3
SPRING YEAR 2 (6 CREDITS)
 GNUR 6253: PMH Disorders & Diagnoses, 3-0-0-3
 GNUR 6050: Theoretical Foundations of Nursing, 3-0-0-3
FALL YEAR 3 (5 CREDITS)
GNUR 7251: PMHNP Practicum I, 0-0-5-5
SPRING YEAR 3 (7 CREDITS)
GNUR 7254: PMHNP Practicum II, 0-0-5-5
GNUR 6031: Transition to Advanced Practice, 2-0-0-2

*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.

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 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.

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