

PSYCHIATRIC MENTAL HEALTH NURSE PRACTITIONER PROGRAM, PMHNP

Campus: Online

The Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP), 42 credit, online master's program in the Lienhard School of Nursing uses a primary health care and lifespan focus to prepare students for advanced practice in psychiatric mental health nursing. Students are prepared to practice in various settings including communities, private practice, institutional settings, substance abuse settings, and shelters. The program provides health promotion, disease prevention, assessment, and treatment of psychiatric diseases and disorders across the lifespan, with particular attention to health disparities and the care of vulnerable populations. Strategies used will include, but are not limited to, treatment, medication management, case management, individual, family, and group therapy.

The program is offered as a master of science for those looking to enhance their career or as a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study (

*Asynchronous and synchronous didactic content. Students are required to come to campus up to two times per semester. Dates to be determined.

Master of Science Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
NURS 629	Psychopharmacology in Advanced Practice Psychiatric Nursing	3
NURS 630	Diagnoses & Therapeutic Management in Advanced Practice Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing I	4
NURS 630A	Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum I	2
NURS 631	Diagnoses & Therapeutic Management in Advanced Practice Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing II	4
NURS 631A	Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum II	2
NURS 640A	Advanced Physical Assessment - Part 1	3
NURS 681	Pathophysiology For Advanced Practice Nursing	3
NURS 682	Clinical Pharmacology for Prescribing Advanced Practice Nursing	3
NURS 695	Diagnoses & Therapeutic Management in Advanced Practice Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing III	4
NURS 695A	Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum III	2
NURS 801	Underpinnings of Advanced Nursing	3
NURS 802	Leadership for Advanced Nursing	3
NURS 803	Advanced Nursing in Primary Health Care	3
NURS 804	Scholarly Inquiry for Advanced Nursing	3
Total Credits		42

Total Didactic Credits/Hours: 42/550

Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies

Code	Title	Credits
NURS 629	Psychopharmacology in Advanced Practice Psychiatric Nursing	3
NURS 630	Diagnoses & Therapeutic Management in Advanced Practice Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing I	4
NURS 630A	Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum I	2
NURS 631	Diagnoses & Therapeutic Management in Advanced Practice Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing II	4
NURS 631A	Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum II	2
NURS 640A	Advanced Physical Assessment - Part 1	3
NURS 681	Pathophysiology For Advanced Practice Nursing	3
NURS 682	Clinical Pharmacology for Prescribing Advanced Practice Nursing	3
NURS 695	Diagnoses & Therapeutic Management in Advanced Practice Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing III	4
NURS 695A	Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum III	2
Total Credits		30

Total Didactic Credits/Hours: 32/550

NOTE: NURS 640A Advanced Physical Assessment - Part 1, NURS 681 Pathophysiology For Advanced Practice Nursing, and NURS 682 Clinical Pharmacology for Prescribing Advanced Practice Nursing courses credited for master's-prepared nurse practitioners with certification in another specialty