

FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER

Students applying to this program are registered nurses with a current RN license and a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing or a health-related field. Graduates of this program are prepared to take the Family Nurse Practitioner certification exam and to function as an advanced practice nurse upon successful completion of the exam.

FULL-TIME PROGRAM OF STUDY TOTAL PROGRAM CREDIT HOURS: 42 - 45

| Semester | Course | Sem. Hrs. |
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| FALL I | NUR 601 Advanced Theoretical Issues in Nursing and Ethics | 2 |
| | NUR 602 Advanced Health Assessment | 3 |
| | NUR 625 Advanced Health Assessment Practicum | 2 |
| | NUR 606 Advanced Nursing Research and Evidence Based Practice | 3 |
| | NUR 624 Differential Diagnosis in Primary Care | 2 |
| Total Semester Hours | | 12 hrs. |
| SPRING I | NUR 604 Advanced Healthcare Policy and Politics | 2 |
| | NUR 605 Advanced Pharmacology | 3 |
| | NUR 630 Family Nurse Practice I | 3 |
| | NUR 631 Family Nurse Practice I Practicum | 3 |
| | NUR 687/690 Research Project/Thesis | 1/1 |
| Total Semester Hours | | 12/12 hrs. |
| FALL II | NUR 634 Family Nurse Practice II | 3 |
| | NUR 635 Family Nurse Practice II Practicum | 3 |
| | NUR 687/690 Research Project/Thesis | 1/3 |
| | NUR 620 Role Synthesis (Nurse Practitioners) | 2 |
| Total Semester Hours | | 9/11 hrs. |
| SPRING II | NUR 638 Family Nurse Practice III | 2 |
| | NUR 639 Family Nurse Practice III Practicum | 4 |
| | NUR 680 Family Nurse Practitioner Review Course | 2 |
| | NUR 687/690 Research Project/Thesis | 1/2 |
| Total Semester Hours | | 9/10 hrs. |

*Elective courses may be appropriately selected from emphasis areas chosen by the student or from other elective courses offered in the Robert E. Smith School of Nursing, as well as appropriate courses from other schools or departments within the University. Electives must be approved by faculty advisor.