

Doctor of Nursing Practice

Primary Care—Family Nurse Practitioner

Satisfies eligibility requirements for certification exam



Prerequisites

NURS 520	Health Promotion Across the Lifespan	2
NURS 550	Advanced Pathophysiology	3
NURS 552	Advanced Pharmacology	3
NURS 555	Advanced Health Assessment	4

Nursing Core Courses

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NURS 502	Orientation to Graduate Nursing Studies	0
NURS 706	DNP Seminar	2
NURS 716	Epidemiology and Biostatistics for Advanced Practice	4
NURS 722	Genetics and Environment in Disease	3
NURS 812	DNP Project Development	1
NURS 822	DNP Project Progression	6
NURS 832	DNP Project Finalization	2
NURS 887	Graduate DNP Program Finalization	0
RELT 545	God and Human Suffering	3
RELB 548	Jesus as Healer	3

Emphasis in Primary Care—Family Courses

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NURS 556	Family and Community Systems	2
NURS 591	Orientation to Graduate Nursing Clinical Practicum	1
NURS 640	Primary Care of Adults I	3
NURS 645	Practicum I: Primary Care of Adults	4
NURS 650	Primary Care of Adults II	3
NURS 655	Practicum II: Primary Care of Adults	4
NURS 662	Primary Care of Children	3
NURS 663	Practicum: Primary Care of Children	2
NURS 685	Role Development for Advanced Practice	1

Electives

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Select 4 hours of NURS Electives

Choose a minimum of seven NURS hours (required if not taken at master's level):

NURS 527	Theory and Research for Advanced Practice	4
NURS 540	Healthcare Policy, Economics, and Finance	3
NURS 635	Issues in Healthcare Quality, Safety, and Technology	3

Total Hours 48

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