

Post MSN Certificate: Adult Health Primary Care Nurse Practitioner (NP)

College of Nursing and Health

About the Program

In accordance with the philosophy of Madonna University, the faculty of the Department of Nursing is committed to assisting students in the development of Christian humanistic values, a spirit of intellectual inquiry, openness to discovery of truth and readiness to serve others.

The learning environment fosters the core values of wellness, professionalism, caring, and a future focus. Madonna University's nursing program has had continuous approval of the Michigan Board of Nursing and is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

Specialty Certificate

The focus of this post-master's certificate is to prepare nurses in advanced practice to diagnose and manage primary health care needs of adolescents and adults, especially those of the vulnerable, the underserved, and diverse populations. The curriculum addresses comprehensive health assessment of clients, disease management, health promotion, guidance and counseling of individuals and families, and multi-disciplinary collaboration and referral.

Credentialing

Graduates of this specialty are prepared to take the national certification exam as an Adult Nurse Practitioner offered by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) or the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP). This renders the graduate eligible for Nurse Practitioner specialty certification by the Michigan Board of Nursing.

Admission Requirements

Admission to the Adult Health: Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Certificate is based upon the evaluation of the following:

1. Possession of a Master of Science in Nursing degree from an accredited program with a graduate grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. Applicants may be considered for admission to the graduate certificate prior to completion of the MSN degree; however, the certificate will be awarded only upon completion of the MSN degree.
2. Two completed recommendation forms from people who directly supervise your work in a nursing role or from health professionals who can assess your potential to provide primary health care.
3. Current resume.
4. Employment history: Significant work experience provides a basis for course assignments. It is recommended that students have meaningful professional nursing experience prior to and concurrent with enrolling in the program. This will be addressed during the admission interview.
5. Current Michigan RN license.
6. Statement of goals for post-graduate education as an Adult Primary Care Nurse Practitioner.
7. Admissions interview with the Chair of Nursing Graduate Program. (Prerequisites are determined at this time.)
8. Criminal background clearance prior to clinical practicum courses.

Transfer Students

Students may transfer up to 6 s. h. of credit, with departmental approval.

Certificate Requirements* (24 s.h.)

The Adult Health Primary Care Nurse Practitioner certificate, which involves 24 semester hours of graduate level course work, entails the following:

**NUR 5250 Health Assessment and Promotion in Advanced Practice (includes laboratory and practicum) 6 s.h.

NUR 5300 Community-based Primary Care of Adolescents and Adults (practicum) 6 s.h.

NUR 6500 Clinical Management of Chronic Conditions (practicum) 6 s.h.

NUR 6750 Clinical Management and Evaluation of Complex Health Problems (practicum) 6 s.h.

*Note Specific Prerequisites

NUR 5350 Advanced Pharmacology (3 s.h.) or equivalent

NUR 5400 Integration of Advanced Nursing Knowledge and Roles in Practice (3 s.h.) or equivalent

BIO 5600 Advanced Human Pathophysiology (3 s.h.) or equivalent

**Note Prerequisite: For NUR 5250: Admission to an Advanced Practice Nursing specialty track; NUR 3040 or equivalent within the past 5 years; prerequisite or corequisite: BIO 5600.

Prior to being awarded the certificate, a student must have completed a Master of Science in Nursing degree.



For Admissions Information

Application and any transcripts are to be submitted directly to:

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Tuition The tuition rate for the 2006-2007 academic year is \$417.00 per graduate semester hour.

With tuition well below the national average for private universities, Madonna University is the most affordable independent liberal arts university in Michigan.

NOTE: One semester credit hour requires one clock hour in the classroom or three clock hours in practicum or laboratory per week of the semester.

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See Graduate Nursing Advisor/Graduate Studies Office for current information.

Madonna University guarantees the right to equal educational opportunity without discrimination because of race, religion, sex, national origin, age, or disabilities.

Certificate Outcomes

At the conclusion of the program, the student is able to:

1. Demonstrate the specialized body of knowledge and clinical competencies needed to assume the adult primary care nurse practitioner role.
2. Integrate theory, critical thinking skills, and habits of mind, into comprehensive clinical decision making responsibilities in caring for diverse populations, including adolescents and adults, in complex health care systems, through independent and collaborative primary care practices.
3. Engage in community-based primary care, viewed through the constellation of the family system, which assures quality primary health care that is ethically based and guided by Christian humanistic values.
4. Apply research and theory to promote access to cost-effective, quality care to assure improved health outcomes for patients, communities, and systems and to foster personal and professional growth in collaborative, interdisciplinary practices.

Graduate Faculty

Phyllis Brenner, Nursing; B.S., Boston University; M.S., University of Colorado; M.A. (Management), Claremont Graduate University; Ph.D., Wayne State University; CNA, BC (ANCC).

Kathleen Cross, Nursing; B.S.N., M.S.N., M.Ed., Ph.D., Wayne State University.

Betty A. Dornbrook, Nursing; B.S.N., M.S.N., Wayne State University; Adult NP (ANCC), Community Health (ANCC).

Deborah Dunn, Nursing; B.S.N., Eastern Michigan University; M.S.N., Wayne State University; Post-Master's Certificate, Gerontological Nurse Practitioner, University of Michigan; Ed.D. Student, Eastern Michigan University; CNS Medical-Surgical (ANCC), GNP (ANCC).

Catherine Griffin, Nursing; B.S.N., M.S., University of Michigan; Ph.D. student, Wayne State University.

Patricia A. Hanson, Nursing; B.S., Brigham Young University; M.S., University of Utah; Ph.D., University of Rochester; Gerontological NP (ANCC).

Susan Hasenau, Nursing; B.S.N., Madonna University; M.S.N., Ph.D. Wayne State University; CNNP (NCC).

Marie Therese Jamison, Nursing; B.S., M.S.N., Wayne State University; Post-Master's Certificate, Acute Care NP, University of Michigan; ACNP (ANCC).

Catherine Kurek-Ovshinsky, Hospice

Education; B.S.N., Alverno College; M.S.N., Wayne State University; Psy.D., Center for Humanistic Studies; Limited License Psychologist.

Maureen Leen, Nursing; B.S.N., Madonna University; M.S.N., Wayne State University; Ph.D., Michigan State University. Parish Nursing Certificate, International Parish Resource Center.

Gail Lis, Nursing; B.S.N., Mercy College; M.S.N., Wayne State University; ACNP (ANCC).

Mary Mitsch, Nursing; B.S.N., Villa Maria College; M.S.N., University of Pittsburgh; Ph.D. student, Wayne State University.

Rita Moulton, Nursing; B.S.N., St. Anselm's College; M.P.H., University of Michigan; Post-Master's Certificate, Nursing Administration, Ph.D., Wayne State University; CNA, BC (ANCC).

Nancy A. O'Connor, Chair; Nursing Graduate Program; B.S.N., Madonna University; M.S.N., Ph.D., Wayne State University; Adult NP (ANCC).

Edith Raleigh, Dean of Graduate Studies and Director of the Center for Research; B.S.N., University of Michigan; M.S.N., Ph.D., Wayne State University; Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Michigan.

Kelly J. Rhoades, Chair, Hospice Education; B.A.A., Central Michigan University; M.A., Ph.D., Michigan State University.

Lucy Stern, Hospice Education/Nursing (adjunct); B.S.N., B.S., M.S.N., Madonna University; Post-Master's Certificate, Adult Nurse Practitioner, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences; APRN, BC-PCM (ANCC), CHPN (NBHPN), AOCN (ONCC).

Teresa Cervantez Thompson, Dean of the College of Nursing and Health; B.S.N., M.S.N., Certificate in Aging, Certificate in Advanced Nursing Administration, Ph.D., Wayne State University; CRRN-A (RNCB).

Patricia A. Vint, Nursing, Director, Health Instruction Center; B.A., University of Detroit; M.A.L.S., University of Michigan; M.A.E.L., Eastern Michigan University; Ed.D., University of Saratoga; Permanent Certificate in Library Science, Wayne State University; Specialist Certificate in Distance Education, University of Wisconsin, Madison.