

Family Nurse Practitioner Post-MSN Certificate

Certificate Requirements: 19 Credit Hours

Student Outcomes

Student outcomes are consistent with the BSN to DNP program outcomes.

Admission Cycle

The admission application materials for the College of Graduate Studies (COGS) for NP certificate programs must be received by March 1st for admission consideration into the fall semester cohort. Students meeting all pre-requisites (pathophysiology, pharmacology, physical assessment) may be eligible for a January (spring semester) start date. Spring semester start must be approved by the Program Director. Phone interviews with individuals under consideration may be conducted prior to admission

Admission Criteria

1. Master's degree in Nursing (APRN Program which includes Clinical Nurse Specialist, CRNA, Nurse Midwife, Nurse Practitioner) from a college accredited by the appropriate accrediting association.
2. Minimum graduate GPA of 3.0 (on 4.0 scale)
3. Pharmacology Course cannot be older than 5 years.
4. Current unrestricted RN license in state of residence and eligibility for a Georgia RN license
5. Certification as a Clinical Nurse Specialist, CRNA, Nurse Midwife, Nurse Practitioner
6. Submission/completion of the College of Graduate Studies application (on-line)
7. Three professional letters of recommendation.
8. Proof of current malpractice liability insurance as a RN and NP student
9. Must have the capability to fully utilize and interact within the on-line course delivery format of the institution.

Specific Admission Policy

The Nurse Practitioner certificate student will be admitted in Non-degree status and ineligible to enroll in other graduate courses unless admitted to that program. Only grades of "B" or better earned in the certificate are eligible for application to the nursing doctorate if the individual is later admitted to the Post MSN DNP degree program.

Progression Policy

A student admitted Non-Degree to the Post-MSN Nurse Practitioner Certificate option must have an overall 3.0 GPA, with the minimum of a "B" letter grade in each course in order to earn the certificate. Students will become academically ineligible to continue course work if a grade of "C", "D", "F", or "WF" is earned in any of the nurse practitioner courses. Students must also meet any applicable College of Graduate Studies progression policies.

Nurse Practitioner Certificate Programs

An individualized Program of Study is developed by the Graduate Program Director of the School of Nursing after a Gap Analysis is performed. Students must submit their transcripts and their syllabi for each course to be considered as equal to the courses offered at Georgia Southern University for the completion of the certificate. To enroll in a Post MSN Certificate Program each applicant must show completion of the following

courses in their MSN Program or must complete them prior to admission into the Certificate Program: **Nursing Research, Advanced Health Assessment, Pathophysiology, and Pharmacology for Advanced Practice Nursing.**

Program of Study

			Credit Hours
Required Courses			19
NURS	7123	Psychodynamics of Health	
NURS	8235	FNP I - Pediatrics	
NURS	8236	FNP II - Women's Health	
NURS	8237	FNP III - Adult and Gerontology	
NURS	8520	Capstone Practice and Professional Issues	
NURS	8721	FNPC I - Pediatric Clinical	
NURS	8722	FNPC II - Women's Health Clinical	
NURS	8723	FNPC III - Adult and Gerontology Clinical	
Total Credit Hours			19

Advisement

Graduate students are advised by their program. Graduate students should reach out to their graduate program director for information regarding the structures in place to facilitate advisement. For more information visit the Graduate Academic Advisement (<http://catalog.georgiasouthern.edu/graduate/graduate-studies/general-graduate-policies-procedures/advisement/>) catalog page.

Graduate students can also contact the Jack N. Averitt College of Graduate Studies for more information about their program director.
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