

# NURSING PRACTICE: ADULT/GERONTOLOGY CLINICAL NURSE SPECIALIST, DNP

## REQUIREMENTS

### MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum academic progress and degree requirements (<http://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#policiesandrequirements>), in addition to the program requirements listed below.

### NAMED OPTION REQUIREMENTS MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Face to Face	Evening/ Weekend	Online	Hybrid	Accelerated
No	No	No	Yes	No

#### Mode of Instruction Definitions

**Accelerated:** Accelerated programs are offered at a fast pace that condenses the time to completion. Students typically take enough credits aimed at completing the program in a year or two.

**Evening/Weekend:** Courses meet on the UW–Madison campus only in evenings and/or on weekends to accommodate typical business schedules. Students have the advantages of face-to-face courses with the flexibility to keep work and other life commitments.

**Face-to-Face:** Courses typically meet during weekdays on the UW–Madison Campus.

**Hybrid:** These programs combine face-to-face and online learning formats. Contact the program for more specific information.

**Online:** These programs are offered 100% online. Some programs may require an on-campus orientation or residency experience, but the courses will be facilitated in an online format.

### CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

#### Requirement Detail

Minimum	Post–B.S.: 68 credits
Credit Requirement	Post–M.S.: 51 credits (32 credits in the program plan plus 19 credits from Master's degree)
Minimum	Post–B.S.: 32 credits
Residence Credit Requirement	Post–M.S.: 32 credits

**Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement** Half of degree coursework must be completed graduate-level coursework; courses with the Graduate Level Coursework attribute are identified and searchable in the university's Course Guide (<http://my.wisc.edu/CourseGuideRedirect/BrowseByTitle> (<http://my.wisc.edu/CourseGuideRedirect/BrowseByTitle/>)).

<b>Overall Graduate GPA Requirement</b>	3.00 GPA required.
<b>Other Grade Requirements</b>	A student may not receive more than one grade below a B (or a U grade) in any 12 month period.
<b>Assessments and Examinations</b>	No examinations are required.
<b>Language Requirements</b>	No language requirements.
<b>Doctoral Minor/Breadth Requirements</b>	DNP students are not required to complete a doctoral minor.

### REQUIRED COURSES POST-BACCALAUREATE OPTION

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Systematic Evaluation of Practice Component</b>		
	Approved Statistics Course (prerequisite)	0
NURSING 706	Nursing Research	3
NURSING 761	Health Program Planning, Evaluation, and Quality Improvement	3
NURSING 764	Nursing and Health Informatics	3
NURSING 806	Evaluation and Application of Evidence-Based Practice	3
NURSING 906	Scholarly Project <sup>1</sup>	6
<b>Leadership/Policy Component</b>		
NURSING 703	Health Care and Public Policy	3
NURSING 704	Leadership in Advanced Practice Nursing I	3
NURSING 708	Ethics for Advanced Practice in Health Care	2
NURSING 772	Leadership and Organizational Decision-Making in Health Care	3
	Leadership/Policy Elective	3
<b>Practice Component</b>		
<i>Advanced Practice Course Core</i>		
NURSING 702	Health Promotion and Disease Prevention in Diverse Communities	3
NURSING 601	Advanced Health Assessment <sup>2</sup>	3
NURSING/ PHM PRAC 605	Pharmacotherapeutics for Advanced Practice Nurses	3
NURSING 811	Advanced Pathophysiology	3
	Population Theory Course	3
Choose only one population:		
NURSING 722	Advanced Practice Nursing Theory: Adults and Older Adults	

NURSING 741	Advanced Practice Nursing Theory: Family Process & Child Development	
NURSING 751	Advanced Practice Nursing Theory: Psychiatric Mental Health	
<i>APN Clinical/Leadership Practicum &amp; Role Core</i>		
NURSING 726	Foundations for APN Clinical Practice I <sup>2</sup>	3
NURSING 727	Foundations for APN Clinical Practice II <sup>2</sup>	3
NURSING 826	Foundations for APN Clinical Practice III <sup>2</sup>	3
NURSING 728	Advanced Practice Clinical Application and Role Development I <sup>2</sup>	3
NURSING 729	Advanced Practice Clinical Application and Role Development II <sup>2</sup>	3
NURSING 828	Clinical Leadership III <sup>2</sup>	3
NURSING 829	Clinical Leadership IV <sup>2</sup>	3

1  
6 total credits required; 10 credit maximum. Taken for 2 credits per term (other credit amounts allowed only via faculty approval).

2  
Students in the Adult/Gerontology Clinical Nurse Specialist named option must take these courses with a section number of 070.

### Post-Baccalaureate Three-Year Program Plan

First Year			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
NURSING 706	3	NURSING 601	3
NURSING 704	3	NURSING/PHM PRAC 605	2
NURSING 811	3	NURSING 806	3
NURSING 722, 741, or 751	3	NURSING 703	3
	<b>12</b>		<b>5</b>

Second Year			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
NURSING 726	3	NURSING 727	3
NURSING 728	3	NURSING 729	2
NURSING 702	3	NURSING 761	3
	<b>9</b>		<b>5</b>

Third Year			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
NURSING 826	3	NURSING 829	3
NURSING 828	3	NURSING 906	2
NURSING 906	2	Elective (can be taken any term) <sup>1</sup>	3
	<b>8</b>		<b>8</b>

**Total Credits 68**  
1  
See Pre-approved elective options. Additional options may be approved by program director.

2  
Psych/Mental Health NP students must take NURSING 590 Contemporary Practices in Nursing Pediatric Assessment for Mental Health APNs (1cr) the summer prior to NURSING 726 Foundations for APN Clinical Practice I/NURSING 728 Advanced Practice Clinical Application and Role Development I.

### Post-Baccalaureate Four-Year Program Plan

First Year			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
NURSING 706	3	NURSING 806	3
NURSING 704	3	NURSING 703	3
NURSING 722, 741, or 751	3	Elective (can be taken any term) <sup>1</sup>	3
	<b>9</b>		<b>2</b>

Second Year			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
NURSING 811	3	NURSING 601	3
NURSING 702	3	NURSING/PHM PRAC 605	3
	<b>6</b>		<b>3</b>

Third Year			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
NURSING 726	3	NURSING 727	3
NURSING 728	3	NURSING 729	2
		NURSING 761	3
	<b>6</b>		<b>5</b>

Fourth Year			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
NURSING 826	3	NURSING 829	3
NURSING 828	3	NURSING 906	2
NURSING 906	2		
	<b>8</b>		<b>5</b>

**Total Credits 68**  
1  
See Pre-approved elective options. Additional options may be approved by program director.

2  
Psych/Mental Health NP students must take NURSING 590 Contemporary Practices in Nursing (1cr) the summer prior to NURSING 726 Foundations for APN Clinical Practice I/NURSING 728 Advanced Practice Clinical Application and Role Development I.

### POST-MASTER'S OPTION

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Systematic Evaluation of Practice</b>		
	Approved Statistics Course (prerequisite)	0
NURSING 761	Health Program Planning, Evaluation, and Quality Improvement	3
NURSING 764	Nursing and Health Informatics	3
NURSING 806	Evaluation and Application of Evidence-Based Practice	3
NURSING 906	Scholarly Project <sup>1</sup>	6

**Leadership/Policy Component**

NURSING 708	Ethics for Advanced Practice in Health Care	2
Leadership/Policy Elective		3
NURSING 772	Leadership and Organizational Decision-Making in Health Care	3

**Practice Component**

Select one of the populations:		3
NURSING 722	Advanced Practice Nursing Theory: Adults and Older Adults	
NURSING 741	Advanced Practice Nursing Theory: Family Process & Child Development	
NURSING 751	Advanced Practice Nursing Theory: Psychiatric Mental Health	
<i>APN Clinical/Leadership Practicum &amp; Role Core</i>		
NURSING 828	Clinical Leadership III <sup>2</sup>	3
NURSING 829	Clinical Leadership IV <sup>2</sup>	3

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**2**  
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**Post-Master's Program Plan**

**First Year**

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits	Summer	Credits
NURSING 722, 741, or 751	3	NURSING 806	3	NURSING 764	3
Elective (can be taken any term) <sup>1</sup>	3	NURSING 761	3	NURSING 772	3
		<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	

**Second Year**

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits	Summer	Credits
NURSING 828	3	NURSING 829	3	NURSING 708	2
NURSING 906	2	NURSING 906	2	NURSING 906	2
		<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	

**Total Credits 32**

**1**  
See Pre-approved elective options. Additional options may be approved by program director.

**Pre-approved elective options**

Code	Title	Credits
NURSING/ PHM PRAC/ SOC WORK 746	Interdisciplinary Care of Children with Special Health Care Needs	3
NURSING 657	Clinical Psychopharmacology	3
NURSING 847	Health Policy Practicum	3
NURSING 785	Foundations of Curriculum Development and Evaluation in Nursing Education	3

NURSING 786	Foundations of Teaching and Learning in Nursing	3
NURSING 787	Nursing Education Practicum	1-3
NURSING/ MEDICINE/ POP HLTH 705	Seminar in Interdisciplinary Clinical Research Evidence	2
COUN PSY 650	Theory and Practice in Interviewing	3
SOC WORK 875	Health, Aging, and Disability Policy and Services	2
POP HLTH/ SOC 797	Introduction to Epidemiology	3
NURSING/ PHM PRAC 674	Seminars in Interprofessional Mental Health Care	2
NURSING/LAW/ MED SC-M 768	Consumer Health Advocacy and Patient-Centered Care Clinical	1-7
POP HLTH 650	Special Topics	1-6
PUBLHLTH/ NURSING/ PHARMACY/ PHY ASST/ PHY THER 758	Interprofessional Public Health Leadership	1
PUBLHLTH 780	Evidence-Based Decision-Making	3
POP HLTH 915	International Health Systems and Policy	2
OTM 753	Healthcare Operations Management	3