

**Master of Science in Nursing Program**

**FALL 2022 ADMISSION  
ADULT/GERONTOLOGY ACUTE CARE CLINICAL NURSE SPECIALIST  
SAMPLE COURSE SEQUENCE – SUBJECT TO REVISION**

A minimum of **83-84** units (17 courses) is required for the Adult/Gerontology Acute Care CNS student. Each student must meet with their faculty advisor every quarter to review progress in the program and plan coursework for future quarters.

A minimum of 4 units of nursing theory elective coursework is required for students in the Adult/Gerontology Acute Care CNS specialty. Nursing theory elective courses must be selected in consultation with the student's faculty advisor. A student may opt to take a 3-unit elective at the discretion of the advisor. A sample list of acceptable elective courses is provided below. Students may request to take an elective course in a related subject through another department on campus with the advisor's approval.

**First Year Fall Quarter**

Course Number	Course Title	Units	Co-requisites
N200	Health Promotion and Assessment Across the Lifespan	4	
N204	Research Design and Critique	4	
N220	Theories of Instruction and Learning in Nursing	3	
N231	Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice Nurses	4	
N440	Adult/Gerontology Acute Care Advanced Assessment and Clinical Diagnosis Practicum I	2	N231
<b>Total units</b>		<b>17</b>	

**First Year Winter Quarter**

Course Number	Course Title	Units	Co-requisites
N216A	Adult/Gerontology Concepts for Advanced Practice Nurses in Acute Care I	4	N200, N231, N224, N416A
N224	Pharmacology for Advanced Practice Nurses	5	N231
N444	Adult/Gerontology Acute Care Advanced Assessment and Clinical Diagnosis Practicum II	2	N440
N445	Advanced Practice Nursing: Clinical Nurse Specialist Practicum	2	N220, N245
<b>Total units</b>		<b>13</b>	

**First Year Spring Quarter**

Course Number	Course Title	Units	Co-requisites
N216B	Adult/Gerontology Concepts for Advanced Practice Nurses in Acute Care II	4	N200, N224, N231, N216A, N416A, N416B
N245	Theoretical Foundations for Clinical Nurse Specialty Practice	4	N200, N216A, N445A, N445B, N216B
N445	Advanced Practice Nursing: Clinical Nurse Specialist Practicum	4	N200, N245
N269	Quality Improvement and Population-Based Quality of Practice	4	
Elective*		0-4	
<b>Total units</b>		<b>16-20</b>	

**Second Year Fall Quarter**

Course Number	Course Title	Units	Co-requisites
N216C	Adult/Gerontology Concepts for Advanced Practice Nurses in Acute Care	4	N200, N224, N231, N216A, N216B, N416B, N416C

N445	Advanced Practice Nursing: Clinical Nurse Specialist Practicum	6	N220, N245
Elective*		0-4	
	<b>Total units</b>	<b>10-14</b>	

### Second Year Winter Quarter

Course Number	Course Title	Units	Co-requisites
N445	Advanced Practice Nursing: Clinical Nurse Specialist Practicum	8	N220, N245
N264	Professional Issues	3	N416A, N429A, N437A or N439A
N597**	Individual Study for Master's Comprehensive Examination	2	** Can take N597 in Winter or Spring Year 2
Elective*		0-4	
	<b>Total units</b>	<b>13 -17</b>	

### Second Year Spring Quarter

Course Number	Course Title	Units	Co-requisites
N267	Health Care Policy	3	N245, N269, N445
N445	Advanced Practice Nursing: Clinical Nurse Specialist Practicum	8	N220, N245
N597 **	Individual Study for Master's Comprehensive Examination	2	** Can take N597 in Winter or Spring Year 2
	<b>Total units</b>	<b>13</b>	

### \*Elective Courses (examples but not limited to):

N211	Women's Health Primary Care	2-4 units	Winter
N212	Family Healthcare Perspectives	2 units	Fall
N213	Adult/Gero NP Professional Role: Work, Health, Environment	4 units	Summer
N214	Seminar: Advanced Concepts in Oncology Nursing	4 units	Spring
N220	Theories of Instruction and Learning in Nursing	3 units	Fall
N223	Childhood Development: Research and Application to Nursing	3 units	Winter
N232	Human Responses to Aging and Chronic Illness	2-4 units	Winter
N236	Pediatric Primary Care for Family Nurse Practitioners	4 units	Spring
N249	Meeting Health-Related Needs in Underserved Populations	4 units	Spring

Check the Schedule of Classes for more information.

Total CNS Clinical Hours: **840** (all N445)

1. For clinical courses, students must pass both clinical and theory components with a "B" (84%) or better to pass the course and progress to the next series of courses.
2. A minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 must be maintained throughout the program, per Graduate Division.