



Section 19

College of Nursing

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Accreditation:

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Mission Statement:

The University of South Florida, College of Nursing is dedicated to improving health through excellence and innovation in:

- student-centered learning and academic success
- scholarly inquiry and research, and partnerships and engagement in communities

Major Research Areas:

Research opportunities include: End of Life Issues; Heart Disease and Women, Women, Children, Families and Communities; Health Services Research, Interdisciplinary Mental Health, Obesity, Psychoneuroimmunology, Patient Safety.

Degrees Offered:

Master of Science (M.S.)
 Doctor of Nursing Practice (D.N.P.)
 Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)
 Dual Degree M.S./MPH in Adult Health Nursing/Occupational Health

Name of Programs Offered:

Nursing
 Nursing Science

Concentrations:

Academic Role (NAR)
 Acute Care Nursing (NAC)
 Adult Health Nursing (NAH)
 Adult Health Nursing and Occupational Health (NAO)
 Child Health Nursing (NCH)
 Clinical Nurse Leader (NCL)
 Critical Care Nursing (NCC)
 Family Health Nursing (NFH)
 Gerontological Nursing (NGE)
 Health Systems Informatics (NHI)
 Nurse Anesthesia (NAN)
 Nursing Education (NED)
 Occupational Health Nursing (NOH)
 Oncology Nursing (NON) Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing (NPM)

Dual Degree:

Occupational Health/Adult Nurse Practitioner MS/MPH (NOH)

Graduate Certificates Offered:

See: <http://www.outreach.usf.edu/gradcerts/>

Hospice, Palliative Care and End of Life Studies Nursing, Post Master's Nurse Practitioner: Adult Health, Child Health, Family Health, Psych/Mental Health, Gerontology, Oncology Nursing, Nursing Education, Clinical Nurse Leader. The credit hours will vary depending on the area of specialization.

COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS

For specific degree requirements for the M.S., D.N.P., and Ph.D., programs in Nursing, refer to the Nursing Program Information. The GRE is required only for the Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Program and the Doctoral Programs (Ph.D. and D.N.P.)

Baccalaureate Degree (Nursing) to Master's Degree Program (BS to MS)

Nurses with a baccalaureate degree in nursing are prepared to enroll directly in graduate course work. The total number of credits required is specific to the nursing concentration. Admission criteria include:

- Baccalaureate degree in nursing from an accredited program
- Earned grade point average of 3.0 or higher on 4.0 scale in all work attempted while registered as an upper division applicant working on a baccalaureate degree
- Current license as a registered nurse Three letters of recommendation, , indicating potential for graduate study, from persons who can attest to the applicant's academic ability, clinical

competence, and commitment. (Optimally, these letters will be from nursing professors, or clinical supervisors.)

- Current resume or curriculum vita
- A personal interview with a designated faculty member may also be required
- For Nurse Anesthetist program, the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) is required.

Applicants who do not meet these requirements may petition the Student Affairs Committee for consideration for admission.

Registered Nurse to Master’s Degree Program (RN to MS) (NBM)

Registered nurses who have earned a baccalaureate degree in another discipline are eligible for admission to the Master’s program.

Admissions Requirements

- BS/BA from an accredited program
- Earned grade point average of 3.0 or higher on 4.0 scale*
- Current license as a registered nursing in the State of Florida
- Three letters of recommendation
- Current resume or curriculum vita
- Written statement of professional goals
- A personal interview with a designated faculty member may also be required
- Completion of the following courses (in health assessment, research, statistics, community health and clinical with a letter grade of “C” or greater and a GPA of 3.0 or better:*

STA xxxx	Statistics	(3) (if needed)
and		
NUR 3066	Physical Examination and Assessment	(2)
NUR 3066L	Clinical Experience in Assessment	(1)
NUR 3805	Educational Transitions for RNs	(3)
NUR 4165	Nursing Inquiry	(3)
NUR 4636	Community/Public Health Population-focused Nursing	(3)
NUR 4636L	Community/Health Nursing Clinic	(3)
		(15-18 hours)

After satisfactory completion of the undergraduate courses, students will choose a Master’s concentration and complete additional graduate courses based on that concentration chosen
 *Note: The primary care and other selected concentrations in the Master’s program are highly competitive. Additional admission requirements and a higher GPA may be required for these concentrations.

Associate Degree in Nursing to Master’s Degree (AS to MS) (NAS)

Registered nurses who have earned an Associate of Science Degree in nursing are also eligible for admission to the Master’s program. Students complete 15 credit hours of coursework in the baccalaureate program before applying to the Graduate Program.

Admission Requirements:

- Associate of Science Degree (Nursing) from an accredited program
- Earned grade point average of 3.0 or higher on 4.0 scale*
- Current license as a registered nurse in the State of Florida
- Completion of general education and state mandated prerequisites
- Application to the Master’s program upon completion of the necessary undergraduate transitional courses

- Three letters of recommendation
- Current resume or curriculum vita
- Written statement of professional goals
- A personal interview with a designated faculty member may also be required, as well as other admission requirements. A letter grade of "C" or greater and 3.0 GPA* or more is required in all Nursing (NUR) courses to be considered for application to the master portion of this program.
- Completion of 15 undergraduate nursing credits with 3.0 GPA or better* (see below)

NUR 3066	Physical Examination and Assessment	(2)
NUR 3066L	Clinical Experience in Assessment	(1)
NUR 3805	Educational Transitions for RNs	(3)
NUR 4165	Nursing Inquiry	(3)
NUR 4636	Community/Public Health Population-focused Nursing	(3)
NUR 4636L	Community/Health Nursing Clinic	(3)
Total		(15)

Upon admission to the Master's program, students choose a Master's concentration and complete additional courses based on that concentration. *Note: The primary care and other selected concentrations in the Master's program are highly competitive. Additional admission requirements and a higher GPA may be required for these concentrations

PROGRESSION POLICY

Graduate students must earn the grade of B or higher (B minus is not acceptable) in each required course in their respective nursing program. Graduate students must also maintain an overall average of 3.0 (B) in order to be considered to be "in good standing." Students also must meet any special conditions of their admissions. No grade below B will be accepted toward a graduate degree. All grades will be counted in computing the overall grade point average. Students must have an overall GPA of 3.0 at the completion of their respective program, or they will not be awarded a degree from the University of South Florida.

Clinical Performance

Patient safety and welfare are the most critical criteria of the clinical rotation. If at any time during the clinical rotation the student places the patient in an actual or potentially hazardous or unsafe situation or the faculty judges the student to be deficient in clinical competence for patient care responsibility, the student will fail the course regardless of previous clinical performance. Students who receive an unsatisfactory grade for their clinical performance may be dismissed from the program, regardless of academic standing in other classes. (enacted Fall 2004)

Human Research Conduct

The protection of the rights of human subjects is the most critical criteria of any research study involving human subjects. If at any time during the conduction of a human subject study, a student violates the rights of the participants, the study will be stopped. Permission to continue with the study will be dependent upon an investigation by the University of South Florida Institutional Review Board, the student's research advisor and the Dean of the College of Nursing. (enacted Fall 2004)

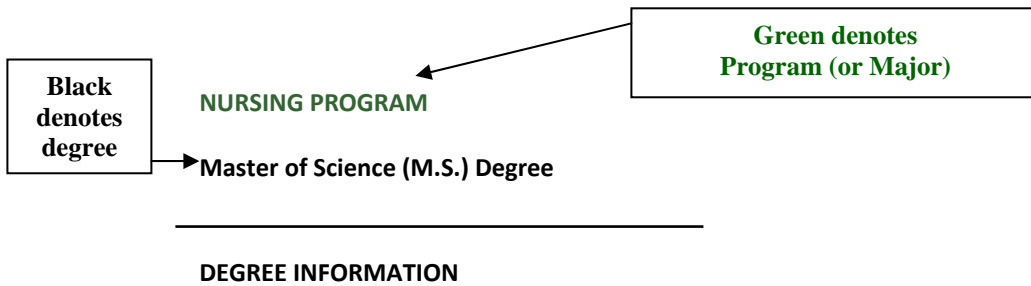
Withdrawal Policy

Withdrawals are limited to 1 per course, with a limit of 2 per undergraduate or graduate program. Withdrawals are defined as officially withdrawing from any class after the drop/add period and before the final withdrawal date as outlined in the Academic Calendar. Any student withdrawing in excess of the stated policy may be dismissed from the College of Nursing unless the College has pre-approved a documented medical and/or emergent situation. (Enacted fall 2007)

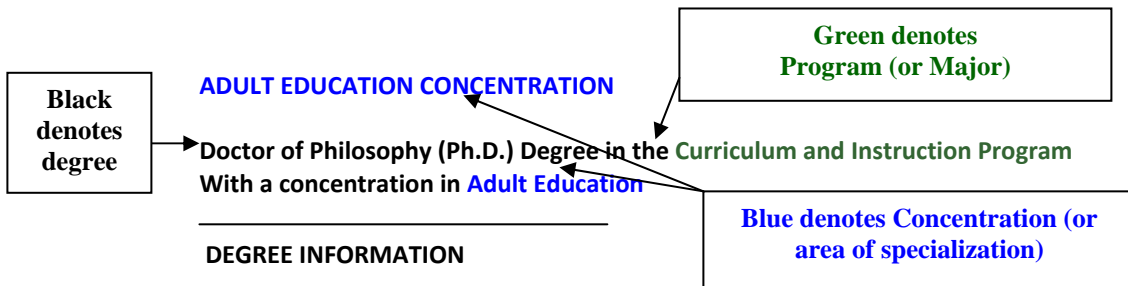
About the Catalog

The University of South Florida Graduate Catalog is organized with the degree programs offered listed in the section of the college that offers them. For example, the Master of Science degree with a “program” (also known as major) in Biology is listed in the College of Arts and Sciences section. Some colleges offer areas of specialization, or “concentrations” within a degree program.

EXAMPLE OF PROGRAM PAGE



EXAMPLE OF CONCENTRATION PAGE



The name of the program and/or concentration does not appear on the diploma – only the name of the degree (i.e., Master of Arts) is listed. The program and concentration information is listed on the official transcript. Other areas, such as application track, are not listed on the transcript.

NURSING PROGRAM

Master of Science (M.S.) Degree

DEGREE INFORMATION

Program Admission Deadlines:

Fall:	June 1
Spring:	October 1
Summer:	February 15

Minimum Total Hours:	36-53
Program Level:	Masters
CIP Code:	51.1601
Dept Code:	NUR
Program (Major/College):	NUR NR

Concentrations:

- Academic Role (NAR)
- Acute Care Nursing (NAC) (on hold)
- Adult Health Nursing (NAH)
- Adult Health Nursing and Occupational Health (NAO)
- Child Health Nursing (NCH)
- Clinical Nurse Leader (NCL)
- Critical Care Nursing (NCC) (on hold)
- Family Health Nursing (NFH)
- Gerontological Nursing (NGE) (on hold)
- Health Systems Informatics (NHI) on hold
- Nurse Anesthesia* (NAN)
- Nursing Education (NED)
- Occupational Health Nursing (NOH)
- Occupational Health/Adult Health Nursing
– MS/MPH (NAO)
- Oncology Nursing (NON)
- Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing (NPM)

*Nurse Anesthesia students are admitted only once a year. See web site for more information.

Also offered as:

Dual Degree M.S./MPH in Adult Health
Nursing/Occupational Health (NOH)

CONTACT INFORMATION

College:	Nursing
Contact Information:	www.grad.usf.edu
Other Resources:	www.usf4you

PROGRAM INFORMATION

The program in nursing leading to a Master of Science degree prepares its graduates for careers as nurse practitioners or clinical nurse leaders. Students choose from a variety of nursing specialty options in advanced practice roles and enroll in a prescribed set of core courses central to all specialty options as well as specialty courses and electives. Successful completion of the master's practitioners program or Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist program qualifies students to take appropriate national certification examinations and apply for licensure as an ARNP in Florida and other states. Nurse Educator and Clinical Nurse Leader are also eligible for national certification from the National League of Nursing, and the American Association of the Colleges of Nursing, respectively.

Graduate Program Objectives

Graduates of the M.S. in Nursing at the University of South Florida are prepared to:

1. Synthesize knowledge from the natural and social sciences, the arts and humanities and the art of science of nursing in advanced practice nursing.
2. Apply principles of advanced nursing practice to improve health outcome culturally diverse and vulnerable populations.
3. Contribute to the advancement of the profession through research, consultation, collaboration, education, leadership and clinical excellence.
4. Influence the development of health policy through leadership as a clinical expert, client advocate, or professional participant in the health care delivery system.
5. Create a professional practice environment that values and integrates legal/ethical principles in the provision of quality health care.
6. Embrace the pursuit of life-long learning for professional development through participation informal and informal education.
7. Support excellence in health care delivery by utilizing research findings, participating in the research process and identifying new issues for further investigative development.

Accreditation:

The Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, and the Florida Board of Nursing. In addition the Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist program is accredited by the Council of Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs.

Major Research Areas:

Research opportunities include: Quality of Life/ End of Life; Heart Disease and Treatment, Women, Children, Families and Communities; Health and Services Research, Interdisciplinary Mental Health, and Patient Safety.

ADMISSION INFORMATION

Must meet University requirements (see Graduate Admissions) as well as requirements listed in the introductory portion of the college catalog section. Certain concentrations are highly competitive. Additional admission requirements and a higher GPA may be required for primary care and other selected concentrations.

Baccalaureate Degree (Nursing) to Master's Degree Program (BS to MS)**Admission Requirements**

- BS/BA from an accredited program
 - Earned grade point average of 3.0 or higher on 4.0 scale*
 - Current license as a registered nurse in the State of Florida
 - Three letters of recommendation
 - Current resume or curriculum vita
 - Written statement of professional goals
 - A personal interview with a designated faculty member may also be required
- .Completion of transitional undergraduate courses (15-18 credits), See degree requirements.

A letter grade of "C" or greater and a 3.0 GPA* or more is required in all Nursing (NUR) courses to be considered for application to the master's portion of this program.

STA xxxx Statistics (if needed)	(3)
and	
NUR 3066 Physical Examination and Assessment	(2)
NUR 3066L Clinical Experience in Assessment	(1)
NUR 3805 Educational Transitions for RNs	(3)
NUR 4165 Nursing Inquiry	(3)
NUR 4636 Community/Public Health Population-focused Nursing	(3)
NUR 4636L Community/Health Nursing Clinic	(3)
Total	(15-18 hours)

After satisfactory completion of the undergraduate transitional courses, students will choose a Master's concentration and complete additional graduate courses based on that concentration chosen. *Note: The primary care concentrations in the Master's program are highly competitive. Additional admission requirements and a higher GPA may be required for these concentrations

Associate Degree in Nursing to Master's Degree (AS to MS)

Admissions Requirements

- Associate of Science Degree (Nursing) from an accredited program
- Earned grade point average of 3.0 or higher on 4.0 scale
- Current license as a registered nurse in the State of Florida
- Completion of general education and state mandated prerequisites
- Completion of 15 undergraduate transitional nursing courses with 3.0 GPA or better (see degree requirements)
- Application to the Master's program upon completion of the necessary undergraduate transitional courses.
- Three letters of recommendation
- Current resume or curriculum vita
- Written statement of professional goals
- A personal interview with a designated faculty member may also be required, as well as other admission requirements.

A letter grade of "C" or greater and a 3.0 GPA* or more is required in all Nursing (NUR) courses to be considered for application to the master portion of this program.

NUR 3066 Physical Examination and Assessment	(2)
NUR 3066L Clinical Experience in Assessment	(1)
NUR 3805 Educational Transitions for RNs	(3)
NUR 4165 Nursing Inquiry	(3)
NUR 4636 Community/Public Health Population-focused Nursing	(3)
NUR 4636L Community/Health Nursing Clinic	(3)
Total	(15)

*Note: The primary care concentrations in the Master's program are highly competitive. Additional admission requirements and a higher GPA may be required for these concentrations. During the semester that the student is completing the undergraduate nursing transition courses, the student will meet with an advisor to review all requirements to complete the transition into the Masters program.

DEGREE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The M.S. program in nursing requires completion of the credit hours required by the concentration. Sequencing of courses is particularly important and academic advisors work with students to design both full-time and part-time program plans in the specialty areas. The curricula for all advanced practice concentrations include the following components: theory-research component, advanced practice component, and specialty core.

NGR 6137	Ethical, Legal & Policy Issues in Advanced Nursing	(3)
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Theory-Research Component (12 credit hours)

- NGR 6121 Theoretical Basis of Advanced Practice Nursing (3)
- NGR 6080 Family & Population-Based Health Promotion (3)
- NGR 6800 Nursing Research (3)
- NGR 6737 Ethical, Legal & Policy Issues in Advanced Nursing (3)

Advanced Practice Component (12 credit hours)

- NGR 6140 Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice (4)
- NGR 6172 Pharmacology for Advanced Practice (4)
- NGR 6002C Health Assessment in Advanced Practice (4)

Specialty Cores (12-28 credit hours)**Acute Care Specialty Core** **25 Credit Hours**

- NGR 6143 Pathophysiologic Concepts/Acute Care (3)
- NGR6944 Acute Care Practicum 2x(4)
- NGR6210 Clin. Mgt. of Acutely Ill Adult (3)
- NGR 6649C Advanced Practice Nurse Transitions (5)
- NGR 6931 Adult Health Management for Nursing Spec.(3)
- NGR6931 Advanced Procedures (1)x3

Adult Health Specialty Core **(22 Credit Hours)**

- NGR 6247 Primary Care of Adults I (3)
- NGR 6248C Primary Care of Adults II (6)
- NGR 6639C Primary Care of Women (5)
- NGR 6307 Primary Care of Children & Adolescents (3)
- NGR 6649C Advanced Practice Nurse Transitions (5)

Family Specialty Health Specialty Core **25 Credits Hours**

- NGR 6247 Primary Care of Adults I (3)
- NGR 6248C Primary Care of Adults II (6)
- NGR 6639C Primary Care of Women (5)
- NGR 6308C Primary Care of Children & Adolescents (6)
- NGR 6649C Advanced Practice Nurse Transitions (5)

Pediatric Health Specialty Core **19 Credit Hours**

- NGR 6307 Primary Care of Children & Adolescents I (3)
- NGR 6308C Primary Care of Children & Adolescents II (6)
- NGR 6639C Primary Care of Women (5)
- NGR 6649C Advanced Practice Nurse Transitions (5)

Nursing Education Specialty Core **18 credit hours****Specialty Core** **(12 Credits)**

- NGR 6713 Foundations of Nursing Education (3)
- NGR 6710 Teaching/Learning Principles of Nursing Ed (3)
- NGR 6718 Evaluation Strategies for Nurse Educators (3)
- NGR 6947 Practicum in Nursing Ed (3x1)

Cognates **(6 credit hours)**

- NGR 6723 Leadership and Applied Mgmt in Nursing Healthcare
- NGR xxxx Adv Pract Spec Courses (with permission of Instructor)

Selected College of Education Courses (i.e. EDF, EDH, EME)
 Selected Public Health Courses (i.e. Maternal/Child Health)
 Research Project (3)

Oncology Specialty Core**21 credit hours**

- NGR 6221 Oncology Nursing Concepts (3)
 NGR 6220 Pathobiology of Neoplasia (3)
 NGR-6931 Adult Health for Nursing Specialities (3)
 NGR 6222L Practicum I in Advanced Oncology Nursing (3)
 NGR 6223L Practicum II in Advanced Oncology Nursing (3)
 NGR 6224L Practicum III in Advanced Oncology Nursing (3)

And

- NGR 6971 Thesis or NGR 6905 Directed Independent Study (3)

Psychiatric/Mental Health Specialty Core**26 credit hours**

- NGR 6931 Adult Health for Nursing Specialities (3)
 NGR 6500 Theoretical Foundations for Advanced Psychiatric Nursing (3)
 NGR 6501 Psychopathology for Advanced Psychiatric Nursing (3)
 NGR 6538 Psychopharmacology for Advanced Nursing Practice (3)
 NGR 6502 Treatment Modalities for Advanced Psychiatric Nursing (3)
 NGR 6500L Psychiatric ARNP Practicum: Out Patient Setting (3)
 NGR 6501L Psychiatric ARNP Practicum: In Patient Setting (3)
 NGR 6649C Transitions (5)

Occupational Health Nursing/Adult Nurse Practitioner Specialty Core (MS only) 39 credit hours

- NGR 6650 Occupational Health Nursing I (2)
 NGR 6651 Occupational Health Nursing II (2)
 NGR 6xxx Primary Care: Adult I (3)
 NGR 6248C Primary Care: Adult II (6)
 NGR 6639C Primary Care of Women (5)
 NGR 6xxx Primary Care Children and Adolescents (3)
 NGR 6649C Primary Care: Advanced Practice Nurse Transitions (5)
 NGR 6650L Practicum: Occupational Health Nursing (1)
 PHC 6356 Industrial Hygiene (2)
 PHC 6360 Safety Principles and Practices (2)
 PHC 6364 Plant Operations Interdisciplinary Field Experience (2) or PHC 6945 COPH Field course
 PHC 6351 Occupational Medicine (3)
 PHC 6977 Special Project (3)

Clinical Nurse Leader in Nursing* (Generalist Masters)

- NGR 6080 Family & Population-Based Health Promotion (3)
 NGR 6800 Nursing Research (3)
 NGR 6737 Ethical, Legal, and Policy Issues in Advanced Nursing Practice (3)
 NGR 6140 Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice (4)
 NGR 6172 Pharmacology for Advanced Practice (4)
 NGR 6002C Health Assessment in Advanced Practice (4)
 NGR 5635 Informatics in Nursing and Healthcare (3)
 NGR 6931 Epidemiology & Biostatistics for Nursing (3)
 NGR 6723 Leadership and Applied Management in Nursing and Healthcare (3)
 NGR 6771L CNL Clinical Seminar 2x (1)
 NGR 6773L CNL Internship (3)

CNL program is in the process of being reviewed and changed. Contact Dr. Denise Magure at dmagure@health.usf.edu

Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Program**72 credit hours**

The curriculum is composed of the didactic phase (first 12 months) and the clinical phase (last 16 months). The classes contain the principles and practices in all applications of anesthesia. The nurse anesthetist program is independent of the USF academic calendar. In the clinical phase, weekends, nights, and 24-hour rotations will be expected during certain rotations.

PHC 6050	Biostatistics	(3)
NGR 6404	Anatomy and Physiology for Nurse Anesthesia I	(3)
NGR 6400	Chemistry, Biochemistry, and Physics for Nurse Anesthesia	(3)
NGR 6460	Pharmacology for Nurse Anesthesia	(3)
NGR 6800	Nursing Research	(3)
NGR 6140	Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice	(4)
GMS 6461	Pharmacology and Physiology	(5)
NGR 6421	Principles of Nurse Anesthesia throughout the Life Span	(3)
NGR 6002C	Advanced Health Assessment	(4)
NGR 6423	Principles for Nurse Anesthesia I	(3)
NGR 6492	Nurse Anesthesia Role Development	(3)
NGR 6490	Foundations & Methods of Nurse Anesthesia Practice & Lab Simulator	(4)
NGR 6424	Principles for Nurse Anesthesia II	(3)
NGR 6431	Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Residency I	(4)
NGR 6949	Clinical Correlational Conferences	(1)
NGR 6852	Evidenced-based Practice for Nurse Anesthesia	(3)
NGR 6432	Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Residency II	(4)
NGR 6949	Clinical Correlational Conferences	(1)
NGR 7892	Health Policy in Nursing and Healthcare	(3)
NGR 6433	Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Residency III	(4)
NGR 6949	Clinical Correlational Conferences	(1)
NGR 6434	Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Residency IV	(4)
NGR 6949	Clinical Correlational Conferences	(1)
NGR 6491	Nurse Anesthesia Practice Comprehensive	(2)

Dual Degree (MS/MPH) in Occupational Health Nursing/Adult Nurse Practitioner 73 credit hours

NGR 6121	Theoretical Basis of Advanced Nursing Practice	(3)
NGR 6800	Nursing Research	(3)
NGR 6140	Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice	(4)
NGR 6172	Pharmacology for Advanced Practice	(4)
NGR 6002C	Health Assessment for Advanced Practice	(4)
NGR 6650	Occupational Health Nursing I	(2)
NGR 6651	Occupational Health Nursing II	(2)
NGR 6650L	Practicum in Occupational Health Nursing	(1)*
NGR 6247	Primary Care of Adults I	(3)
NGR 6248C	Primary Care of Adults II	(6)*
NGR 6639C	Primary Care of Women	(5)*
NGR 6307	Primary Care of Children & Adolescents	(3)
NGR 6949C	Advanced Practice Nurse Transitions	(5)*
PHC 6357	Environmental and Occupational Health	(3)
PHC 6000	Epidemiology	(3)
PHC 6050	Biostatistics I	(3)
PHC 6102	Principles of Health Policy Management	(3)
PHC 6423	Occupational Health Law	(2)
PHC 6360	Safety Principles and Practices	(2)
PHC 6364	Plant Operations Interdisciplinary Field Experience	(2)**
PHC 6356	Industrial Hygiene	(2)
PHC 6351	Occupational Medicine	(3)
PHC 6354	Occupational Health and Safety Administration	(2)
PHC 6977	Special Project	(3)

PHC 6936 Public Health Capstone (3)
OR CPH Core Comprehensive Examination (0 credits)

** Can substitute PHC 6945 CPH Field Course if course filled

COURSES

See <http://www.ugs.usf.edu/sab/sabs.cfm>

NURSING PROGRAM

Doctor of Nursing Practice (D.N.P.) Degree

DEGREE INFORMATION

Program Admission Deadlines:
Fall: February 1

Minimum Total Hours: 52-72
Program Level: Doctoral
CIP Code: 51.1608
Dept Code: NUR
Program (Major/College): NUR NR

CONTACT INFORMATION

College: Nursing

Contact Information: www.grad.usf.edu

PROGRAM INFORMATION

The DNP program is a practice-focused doctorate that provides an additional option for obtaining a terminal degree in the discipline. Advanced practice includes all nursing intervention that influences health care outcomes, including the direct care of patients, management of care for individuals and populations, administration for nursing and health care organizations, and the development of health policy.

Accreditation:

Accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of College and Schools; National League for Nursing Accreditation Commission

ADMISSION INFORMATION

Must meet University requirements (see Graduate Admissions) as well as requirements listed below.

- MS Nursing;
- GRE: 550 Verbal; 550 Quantitative (suggested)
- 3.0 GPA;
- RN/ARNP Licensure;
- National Certification required for ARNPs
- Three letters of recommendation ;
- CV;
- Professional Goals;
- A grade of B or higher is required in master's level health assessment, pathophysiology, pharmacology, theory and research.

DEGREE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

MS (Nursing) – DNP A minimum of 52 hours post-master's is required. The program can be completed in two to three years by full-time students and five or more years for part-time students. Specific program requirements are determined on an individual basis by the student's supervisory committee.

Knowledge Building Core (Required)	37
PHC 6000 Epidemiology or NGR 6673 Epidemiology for Adv Nurse Nursing	(3)
NGR 7841 Statistical Methods Nursing Research I	(3)
<u>or</u>	
EDF 6407 Statistical Analyses for Ed. Research	(3)
<u>or</u>	
PHC 6050 Biostatistics	(3)

NGR 7951	Scientific Writing-Publication	(3)
NGR 7103	Evidence Based Practice	(3)
NGR 7141	Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice II	(3)
NGR 7776	Leadership & System Analysis	(3)
NGR 7881	Ethics in Research and Practice	(3)
NGR 7892	Health Policy Issues in Nursing and Health Care	(3)
NGR 7932	Evidence Based Project	(4)
NGR 7932	DNP Residency	(9)

Advanced Practice Cognate 15

NGR 7176	Pharmacotherapeutics	(3)
NGR 7932	Diagnostic Reasoning	(3)
NGR 7932	Practice Management	(3)
Electives		6

OR**Leadership Cognate (15)**

Students complete a minimum of 15 credits of courses in Educational or Healthcare leadership. Course may be taken at colleges throughout the University.

COURSES

See <http://www.ugs.usf.edu/sab/sabs.cfm>

NURSING SCIENCE PROGRAM

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Degree

DEGREE INFORMATION

Program Admission Deadlines:	
Fall:	February 1
Minimum Total Hours:	60-72
Program Level:	Doctoral
CIP Code:	51.1608
Dept Code:	NUR
Program (Major/College):	NUS NR

CONTACT INFORMATION

College:	Nursing
Contact Information:	www.grad.usf.edu

PROGRAM INFORMATION

The Ph.D. prepares scholars to

- 1) generate and disseminate knowledge through independent and/or collaborative efforts;
- 2) conduct intra/interdisciplinary research;
- 3) assume leadership roles in nursing education and practice;
- 4) influence the delivery of health care services, especially for high risk and medically underserved groups; and
- 5) educate future generations of nurses for health care delivery in the 21st Century through the use of innovative intra/interdisciplinary educational approaches.

Accreditation:

Accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of College and Schools.

ADMISSION INFORMATION

Must meet University requirements (see Graduate Admissions) as well as requirements listed below.

Program Admission Requirements

BS (Nursing) – Ph.D.

- BS Nursing;
- GRE
- 3.0 GPA;
- RN Licensure;
- 3 letters or recommendation;
- CV;
- Professional Goals;
- Evidence of commitment to Nursing Scholarship;
- Potential;
- Experience

M.S. (Nursing) – Ph.D.

- MS Nursing;
- GRE;
- 3.0 GPA;
- RN Licensure;
- three letters or recommendation;
- CV;

- Professional Goals;
- Evidence of commitment to Nursing Scholarship;
- Potential;
- Experience

DEGREE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

There are two programs of study that lead to the Ph.D. in Nursing.

MS (Nursing) - Ph.D.

A minimum of 60 hours post-master's is required. The program can be completed in three to four years by full-time students and five or more years for part-time students. Specific program requirements are determined on an individual basis by the student's supervisory committee.

Knowledge Building Core (Required)

NGR 7123	Theory Development in Nursing	(3)
NGR 7124	Advances in Nursing Science	(3)
NGR 6713	Foundations of Nursing Education	(3)
NGR 7816	Research Designs and Methods in Nursing	(3)
NGR 7841	Statistical Methods in Nursing Research I	(3)
NGR 7842	Statistical Methods in Nursing Research II	(3)
NGR 7843	Statistical Methods in Nursing Research III	(3)
NGR 7815	Qualitative Methods in Nursing Research	(3)
NGR 7823	Psychometrics and Measurement for Nursing Research	(3)
NGR 7941	Nursing Research Pro Seminar	(3)
NGR 7881	Ethics in Research and Practice	(3)
NGR 7892	Health Policy Issues in Nursing and Health Care	(3)

Satisfactory completion of the Knowledge Building Core required courses prepares students to successfully complete the dissertation research.

Cognate (12-15 Credits)

Students select a cognate area to further support the student's area of expertise in nursing and the research problem that will be addressed by the dissertation research. Examples of appropriate areas of study for the cognate might be organizational administration, health policy, physiology, cognitive psychology, organizational psychology, gerontology, epidemiology, biostatistics, administration, applied anthropology, educational measurement or a nursing specialty.

Electives (3-6 Credits)

Students must complete 3-6 elective credits. Three credits must be in research methods. (NGR 6824 Data Analysis for Health Sciences, NGR 7932, Current Topics in Quantitative Methods)

Qualifying Examinations:

The qualifying examination is to be completed as soon as the majority of core and minor coursework is completed. The purpose of the qualifying examination is to assess the student's level of scholarship and research skills and to determine if the student possesses the critical and analytical skills necessary to undertake the dissertation research.

Components of the qualifying examination for the College of Nursing

Written component: The written component of the qualifying examination consists of two parts:

- Completion and submission of a manuscript to a refereed journal for publication.
- Preparation and submission of a research grant application for funding to an appropriate agency.

Oral Examination Component: An oral examination component will be used to clarify and verify that the student has met the written components of the qualifying examination and will be used to formally admit the student to candidacy.

Dissertation (12- 24 Credits)

Students must complete and successfully defend a dissertation.

B.S. (Nursing) -Ph.D.

A minimum of 96 hours post-baccalaureate is required. The program is designed as a full-time four-year course of study.

Knowledge Building Core (Required) (48 credits)

NGR 6080	Family and Population-Based Health Promotion	(3)
NGR 6121	Theoretical Basis of Advanced Practice	(3)
NGR 6737	Ethical/Legal/Policy Issues in Adv Nursing Practice* Nursing	(3)
NGR 6800	Nursing Research	(3)
NGR 6824	Data Analysis for Health Sciences	(3)
NGR 7123	Theory Development in Nursing	(3)
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*Not needed for Nursing Education track

Advanced Practice (Required) (12 credits)

NGR 6140	Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice Nursing	(4)
NGR 6002C	Health Assessment for Advanced Practice	(4)
NGR 6172	Pharmacology for Advanced Nursing Practice	(4)

Specialty Track (18-25 cr)

Choose one:

- Nursing Education
- Psychiatric/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
- Adult Nurse Practitioner
- Pediatric Nurse Practitioner
- Family Health
- Oncology Nurse Practitioner

Nursing Specialty (CHOICE) 18 Credits

NGR 6710	Teaching Strategies in Nursing Education	(3)
NGR 6713	Foundations of Nursing Education	(3)
NGR 6718	Evaluation Strategies in Nursing Education	(3)
NGR 6947	Academic Nursing Practicum	(3)

Choose 6 cognate credits from one of the following:

NGR 6723	Leadership and Applied Management in Nursing Health Care	(3)
NGR XXXX	Advanced Practice Specialty (with Permission of advisor)	(3)
	Selected College of Education Courses (i.e.,EDF, EDH, EME)	(3)
	Selected Public Health Courses	(3)
	Research Project	(3)

Or

Oncology (18 cr)

NGR 6221	Oncology Nursing Concepts	(3)
NGR 6220	Pathobiology of Neoplasia	(3)
NGR 6931	Adult Health for Nursing Specialties	(3)
NGR 6222L	Practicum I: Oncology Nursing	(3)
NGR 6223L	Practicum II: Oncology Nursing	(3)
NGR 6224L	Practicum III: Oncology Nursing	(3)

Or

Adult Nurse Practitioner (22 cr)

NGR 6247	Primary Care of Adults I	(3)
NGR 6248C	Primary Care of Adults II	(6)
NGR 6639C	Primary Care of Women	(5)
NGR 6307	Primary Care of Children & Adolescents	(3)
NGR 6649C	Advanced Practice Nurse Transitions	(5)

Or

Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (19 cr)

NGR 6307	Primary Care of Children & Adolescents I	(3)
NGR 6308C	Primary Care of Children & Adolescents II	(6)
NGR 6639C	Primary Care of Women	(5)
NGR 6649C	Advanced Practice Nurse Transitions	(5)

Or

Family Nurse Practitioner (25 cr)

NGR 6247	Primary Care of Adults I	(3)
NGR 6248C	Primary Care of Adults II	(6)
NGR 6639C	Primary Care of Women	(5)
NGR 6308C	Primary Care of Children & Adolescents II	(6)
NGR 6649C	Advanced Practice Nurse Transitions	(5)

Or

Psychiatric/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (23 cr)

NGR 6500	Theoretical Foundations for Adv Psychiatric Nursing	(3)
NGR 6500L	Psychiatric ARNP Practicum: In-Patient	(3)
NGR 6501	Psychopathology for Advanced Psychiatric Nursing	(3)
NGR 6501L	Psychiatric ARNP Practicum: Out-Patient	(3)
NGR 6502	Treatment Modalities for Adv Psychiatric Nursing	(3)
NGR 6538	Psychopharmacology for Advanced Nursing Practice	(3)
NGR 6649C	APN Transitions	(5)

Cognate

12-15 Credits

Students select a cognate area of study to further support the student's area of expertise in nursing and the research problem that will be addressed by the dissertation research. Examples of appropriate areas of study for the minor might be, but are not limited to public health, aging studies, psychology, business, research tools.

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NOTE: Students are to meet with curriculum advisor for individual program plan.

COURSES

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