

# COLLEGE OF NURSING



## *Changes to Note*

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The follow curricular changes for the College of Arts and Sciences were approved by the USF-Tampa Graduate Council on the date noted.

### Program Changes

Nursing (RN to MS)	Change admission criteria	1/24/11
Nursing (DNP)	Change curriculum - add stats course	10/18/10
Nursing (DNP)	Change residency requirement: 9 to 2-9 variable	11/15/10

### New Courses

NGR 6xxx	Alternative and Complementary Therapies	1/24/11
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### Course Changes

NGR 6423	Principles of Nurse Anesthesia I <i>change title, desc, obj.</i>	2/21/11
NGR 6424	Principles of Nurse Anesthesia II <i>change title, desc, obj</i>	2/21/11

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**Accreditation:**

The Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of College and Schools, and the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, One Dupont Circle, Suite 530, Washington D.C. 20036-1120:(202) 887-6791 and the Florida Board of Nursing, 4052 Bald Express Way, Bin#C02, Tallahassee, Fl., 32399-3257. In addition, the Nurse Anesthesia Masters Concentration is accredited by the Council of Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs.

**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, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder; 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./M.P.H. in Adult Health Nursing/Occupational Health

**Name of Programs Offered:**

Nursing  
Nursing Science

**Concentrations:**

Acute Care Nursing (NAC) (on hold)

Adult Health Nursing (NAH)  
 Pediatric Health Nursing (NCH)  
 Clinical Nurse Leader (NCL)  
 Family Health Nursing (NFH)  
 Nurse Anesthesia (NAN)  
 Nursing Education (NED)  
 Occupational Health Nursing (NAO) (on hold)  
 Oncology Nursing (NON)  
 Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing (NPM) (on hold)

**Dual Degree:**

Occupational Health/Adult Health Nurse Practitioner M.S./M.P.H. (NOH)

**Graduate Certificates Offered:**

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

Hospice, Palliative Care and End of Life Studies, Adult Health, Pediatric Health, Family Health, Psychiatric/Mental Health (on hold), Oncology Nursing, Nursing Education, and 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 Nurse Anesthesia Masters Concentration and for the Doctoral Programs (Ph.D. and D.N.P.)

**Baccalaureate Degree (Nursing) to Master's Degree Program (B.S. to M.S.)**

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 a regionally accredited program
- Earned grade point average of 3.00 or higher on 4.00 scale in all work attempted while registered as an upper division applicant working on a baccalaureate degree
- Current license as a registered nurse in the State of Florida
- 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.)
- Personal statement of goals
- Current resume or curriculum vitae
- A personal interview with designated faculty 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 (NBM)**

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

**Admissions Requirements**

- B.S./B.A. from a regionally accredited program
- Associate Degree in Nursing from a regionally accredited program
- Earned grade point average of ~~3.00~~ 3.5 or higher on 4.00 scale in all work attempted while registered as an upper division applicant while working on a baccalaureate degree.\*
- Current license as a registered nursing in the State of Florida
- Three letters of recommendation
- Current resume or curriculum vitae
- Written statement of professional goals
- A personal interview with a designated faculty member may also be required, [as well as other admission requirements.](#)
- Completion of the following courses (in health assessment, research, statistics, community health and clinical with a letter grade of "B" or greater and a GPA of 3.00 or better:\*
- ~~Students must complete the bridge courses within 2 years admission to the undergraduate portion of the program~~ [Students must complete all undergraduate requirements in 3 semesters of study to start master's courses in the 4th semester of study.-](#)

STA xxxx	Statistics	(3) (if needed)
NUR 3066	Physical Examination and Assessment	(2)
NUR 3066L	Clinical Experience in Assessment	(1)
NUR 4807C	Management and Education 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.

**Accelerated Graduate Program (NAS)**  
**(Associate Degree in Nursing to Master's Degree – AS to MS)**

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 a regionally accredited program
- Minimum cumulative grade point average of ~~3.00~~ 3.5 or higher on 4.00 scale on all undergraduate coursework (excluding Associate of Science Nursing courses)\*
- 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 vitae
- 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 "B" or greater and overall 3.00 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 3.00 GPA or better\* (see below).~~  
Students must complete the bridge courses within two years from admission to the undergraduate portion of the program. Students must complete all undergraduate requirements in 3 semesters of study to start master's courses in the 4th semester of study.

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NUR 3066L	Clinical Experience in Assessment	(1)
NUR 4807C	Management and Education 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.

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## PROGRESSION POLICY

1. Graduate students must earn the grade of 'B' or higher in each required course in their respective nursing program. An unsatisfactory ('U') or any grade below a 'B' minus is not acceptable.
2. Graduate students must also maintain an overall grade point average of 3.00 in order to be considered in academic "good standing". Students also must meet any special conditions of their admissions. No grade below 'C' 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 3.00 at the completion of their respective program, or they will not be awarded a degree from the University of South Florida.
3. If a student earns a grade below a 'B' or receives a 'U' in a required course, she/he must repeat the course. The course must be taken in the next semester that it is offered and the student must earn a 'B' or higher. Any student, who earns below a 'B' (or 'U') in two or more required courses or earns below a 'B' (or 'U') in a required course twice, will be dismissed from the College. The Dean of the College of Nursing, or her designee (Associate Dean of Academic Affairs or the Associate Dean of Doctoral Studies), will notify students who are dismissed, in writing. Students may petition for re-admission pending approval of their respective Director of their concentration. A petition must be submitted to the Associate Dean of Academic Affairs and the Chairperson of the Student Affairs Committee.

**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**

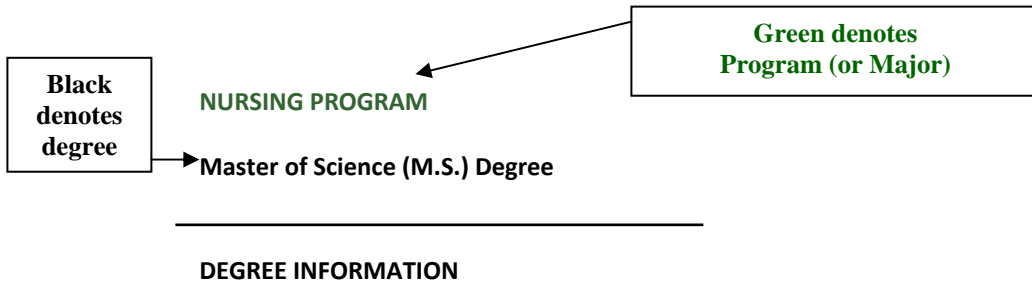
The protection of the rights of human subjects is the most critical criteria of any research study involving human subjects. If at any time during the conduction of a human subject study, a student violates the rights of the participants, the study will be stopped. Permission to continue with the study 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.

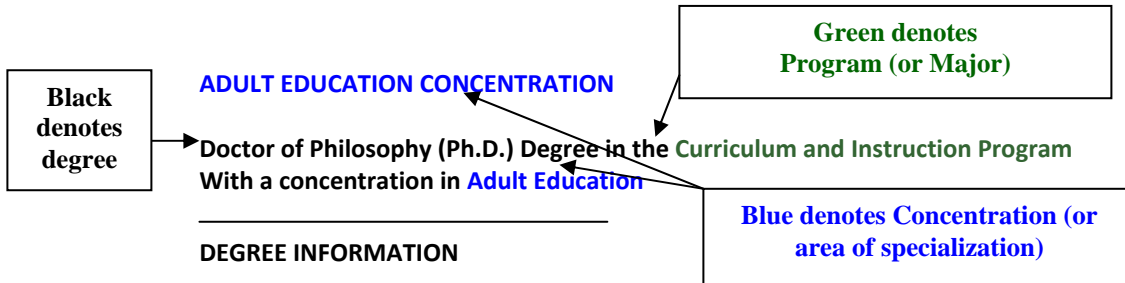
## About the Catalog

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:

<b>Fall:</b>	February 15*
<b>Spring:</b>	October 15
<b>Summer:</b>	February 15

**Minimum Total Hours:** 41

**Program Level:** Masters

**CIP Code:** 51.1601

**Dept Code:** NUR

**Program (Major/College):** NUR NR

##### Concentrations:

- Acute Care Nursing (NAC) (on hold)
- Adult Health Nursing (NAH)
- Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (NCH)
- Clinical Nurse Leader (NCL)
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- Nurse Anesthesia\* (NAN)
- Nursing Education (NED)
- Occupational Health Nursing (NAO) (on hold)
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\*Nurse Anesthesia students are admitted once per year in the Fall, Deadline is October 30, 2010 for Fall 2011 applications. Applications will be accepted from 6/1/2010 through 10/30/2010. See web site for more information.

##### Also offered:

Dual Degree M.S./M.P.H.

Adult Health Nursing/Occupational Health (NOH)

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

**College:** Nursing

**Contact Information:** [www.grad.usf.edu](http://www.grad.usf.edu)

**Other Resources:** [www.usf4you](http://www.usf4you)

#### PROGRAM INFORMATION

The program in nursing leading to a Master of Science degree prepares its graduates for careers as nurse practitioners, nurse educators, 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

- Promote evidence based practice based on synthesis of the most current research relevant to advanced nursing practice.
- Ensure excellence in written and oral communication emphasizing opportunities for publishing and presenting in areas of expertise locally and nationally.

- Prepare leaders to implement and evaluate evidenced based practice.
- Create an environment that enhances the use of translational research to solve practice problems and improve health outcomes.
- Ensure excellence in the dissemination of findings from evidence-based practice at the national and international levels.

#### 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.

#### 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 Nurse Anesthesia Master's Concentration is accredited by the Council of Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs.

## 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.

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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 a regionally accredited program
- Associate Degree in Nursing from a regionally accredited program
- Earned grade point average of ~~3.00-5~~ or higher on 4.00 scale in all work attempted while registered as an upper division applicant while working on a baccalaureate degree.\*
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#### Accelerated Graduate Program (NAS)

Registered nurses who have earned an Associate of Science Degree in nursing, but do not have a bachelor's degree 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.

#### Admissions Requirements

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- Completion of 15 undergraduate nursing credits with a letter grade of "B/S" or greater and a cumulative 3.00 GPA\* or higher is required to be considered for application to the master portion of this program. [Students must complete all undergraduate requirements in 3 semesters of study to start master's courses in the 4th semester of study.](#) ~~Students must complete the bridge courses within two years from admission to the undergraduate portion of the program.~~

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NUR4636L	Community/Health Nursing Clinical	(3)
		(15 hours)

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## 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.

<b>Theory-Research Component</b>	(12 credit hours) —
NGR6121 Theoretical Foundations (3)	
NGR6080 Health Promotion of Individuals, Families and Populations (3)	
NGR6800 Nursing Research (3)	
NGR6737 Ethical, Legal & Policy Issues in Advanced Practice (3)	

<b>-Advanced Practice Component</b>	(12 credit hours)
NGR6140 Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice (4)	
NGR6172 Pharmacology for Advanced Practice (4)	
NGR6002C Health Assessment for Advanced Practice (4)	

### Concentrations

<del><b>Acute Care Concentration</b></del> <b>No longer offered; being terminated</b>	<b>25 Credit Hours</b>
<del>NGR6143 Pathophysiologic Concepts/Acute Care</del>	<del>(3)</del>
<del>NGR6944 Acute Care Practicum</del>	<del>(4) Taken twice</del>
<del>NGR6210 Clin. Mgt. of Acutely Ill Adult</del>	<del>(3)</del>
<del>NGR6649C Advanced Practice Nurse Transitions</del>	<del>(5)</del>
<del>NGR6931 Adult Health Management for Nursing Spec.</del>	<del>(3)</del>
<del>NGR6931 Advanced Procedures</del>	<del>(1) taken three times</del>

<b>Adult Health Concentration</b>	<b>22 Credit Hours</b>
NGR6201 Primary Care of Adults I	(3)
NGR6202C Primary Care of Adults II	(6)
NGR6343C Primary Care of Women	(5)
NGR6301 Primary Care of Children & Adolescents I	(3)
NGR6700C Advanced Practice Nurse Transitions	(5)

<b>Family Health Concentration</b>	<b>25 Credits Hours</b>
NGR6201 Primary Care of Adults I	(3)
NGR6202C Primary Care of Adults II	(6)
NGR6343C Primary Care of Women	(5)
NGR6301 Primary Care of Children & Adolescents I	(3)
NGR6305L Primary Care of Children Practicum	(3)
NGR6700C Advanced Practice Nurse Transitions	(5)

<b>Pediatric Health Concentration</b>	<b>19 Credit Hours</b>
NGR6301 Primary Care of Children & Adolescents I	(3)
NGR6302 Primary Care of Children & Adolescents II	(6)
NGR6343C Primary Care of Women	(5)
NGR6700C Advanced Practice Nurse Transitions	(5)

<b>Nursing Education Concentration</b>	<b>18 credit hours</b>
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NGR6713	Foundations of Nursing Education	(3)
NGR6710	Teaching/Learning Principles of Nursing Ed	(3)
NGR6718	Evaluation Strategies for Nurse Educators	(3)
NGR6947	Practicum in Nursing Ed	(3x1)
Cognates*		(6 credit hours)

\*Selected courses with Advisor permission from the College of Public Health, College of Education, and the College of Nursing, which may be chosen from:

NGR6723	Leadership and Applied Mgmt in Nursing Healthcare	(3)
NGRXXXX	Advanced Practice courses (with permission from instructor)	(3)
	Selected College of Education courses (i.e., EDF, EDH, EME)	(3)
	Selected Public Health courses	(3)
	Research Project	(3)

**Oncology Concentration** **21 credit hours**

NGR6221	Oncology Nursing Concepts	(3)
NGR6220	Pathobiology of Neoplasia	(3)
NGR6240	Adult Health Care for Nursing Specialties	(3)
NGR6222L	Practicum I in Advanced Oncology Nursing	(3)
NGR6223L	Practicum II in Advanced Oncology Nursing	(3)
NGR6224L	Practicum III in Advanced Oncology Nursing	(3)
NGR6971	Thesis or	
NGR6905	Directed Independent Study	(3)

**Psychiatric/Mental Health Concentration** **26 credit hours**

NGR6931	Adult Health for Nursing Specialties	(3)
NGR6500	Theoretical Foundations for Advanced Psychiatric Nursing	(3)
NGR6501	Psychopathology for Advanced Psychiatric Nursing	(3)
NGR6538	Psychopharmacology for Advanced Nursing Practice	(3)
NGR6502	Treatment Modalities for Advanced Psychiatric Nursing	(3)
NGR6500L	Psychiatric ARNP Practicum: Out Patient Setting	(3)
NGR6501L	Psychiatric ARNP Practicum: In Patient Setting	(3)
NGR6700C	Transitions	(5)

**Occupational/Adult Health Nursing Concentration (MS only)** **39 credit hours**

NGR6650	Occupational Health Nursing I	(2)
NGR6651	Occupational Health Nursing II	(2)
NGR6201	Primary Care of Adults I	(3)
NGR6202C	Primary Care of Adults II	(6)
NGR6343C	Primary Care of Women	(5)
NGR6301	Primary Care Children and Adolescents	(3)
NGR6700C	Advanced Practice Nurse Transitions	(5)
NGR6650L	Practicum in Occupational Health Nursing	(1)
PHC6356	Industrial Hygiene	(2)
PHC6360	Safety Principles and Practices	(2)
PHC6364	Plant Operations Interdisciplinary Field Experience	(2)
	or	
PHC6945	COPH Field course	
PHC6351	Occupational Medicine	(3)
PHC6977	Special Project	(3)*

\*Or other graduate course as approved by the advisor.

**Clinical Nurse Leader Concentration** **17 credit hours**

NGR6673	Epidemiology for Nursing Practice	(3)
NGR6898	Microsystem Concepts of Healthcare Finance	(3)
NGR6723	Leadership and Applied Management in Nursing Healthcare	(3)

NGR6770C	Introduction to the Clinical Nurse Leader Role	(1)
NGR6872C	Concepts in Information Management	(1)
NGR6777C	Shaping the Practice Environment	(1)
NGR6773L	Clinical Nurse Leader Residency	(5)

**Nurse Anesthesia Concentration****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 concentration is independent of the USF academic calendar. During certain rotations in the clinical phase, weekends, nights, and 24-hour rotations will be expected.

PHC6050	Biostatistics	(3)
NGR6404	Anatomy and Physiology for Nurse Anesthesia I	(3)
NGR6400	Chemistry, Biochemistry, and Physics for Nurse Anesthesia	(3)
NGR6460	Pharmacology for Nurse Anesthesia	(3)
NGR6800	Nursing Research	(3)
NGR6140	Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice	(4)
GMS6461	Pharmacology and Physiology	(5)
NGR6422	Principles of Nurse Anesthesia throughout the Life Span	(3)
NGR6002C	Advanced Health Assessment	(4)
NGR6423	<del>Principles for Nurse Anesthesia I</del> <a href="#">Principles of Cardiothoracic Nurse Anesthesia</a> —	(3)
NGR6492	Nurse Anesthesia Role Development	(3)
NGR6420	Foundations & Methods of Nurse Anesthesia Practice & Lab Simulator	(4)
NGR6424	Principles for Nurse Anesthesia-II	(3)
NGR6431	Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Residency I	(4)
NGR6929	Clinical Correlational Conference	(1)
NGR7103	Evidenced-based Practice for Nurse Anesthesia	(3)
NGR6432	Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Residency II	(4)
NGR6929	Clinical Correlational Conference	(1)
NGR7892	Health Policy in Nursing and Healthcare	(3)
NGR6433	Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Residency III	(4)
NGR6929	Clinical Correlational Conference	(1)
NGR6434	Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Residency IV	(4)
NGR6929	Clinical Correlational Conferences	(1)
NGR6491	Nurse Anesthesia Practice Comprehensive	(2)

**Dual Degree (M.S./M.P.H.) in Occupational Health Nursing/Adult Nurse Practitioner 76 credit hours**

NGR6121	Theoretical Basis of Advanced Nursing Practice	(3)
NGR6800	Nursing Research	(3)
NGR6140	Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice	(4)
NGR6172	Pharmacology for Advanced Practice	(4)
NGR6002C	Health Assessment for Advanced Practice	(4)
NGR6650	Occupational Health Nursing I	(2)
NGR6651	Occupational Health Nursing II	(2)
NGR6650	Practicum in Occupational Health Nursing	(1)*
NGR6201	Primary Care of Adults I	(3)
NGR6202	Primary Care of Adults II	(6)*
NGR6343C	Primary Care of Women	(5)*
NGR6301	Primary Care of Children & Adolescents I	(3)
NGR6700C	Advanced Practice Nurse Transitions	(5)*
PHC 6357	Environmental and Occupational Health	(3)
PHC6000	Epidemiology	(3)
PHC6050	Biostatistics I	(3)
PHC6102	Principles of Health Policy Management	(3)
PHC6423	Occupational Health Law	(2)

PHC6360	Safety Principles and Practices	(2)
PHC 6945	COPH Field Experience	(2)**
PHC6356	Industrial Hygiene	(2)
PHC6351	Occupational Medicine	(3)
PHC6354	Occupational Health and Safety Administration	(2)
PHC6977	Special Project	(3)
PHC6936	Public Health Capstone	(3)

\*\* Can substitute PHC 6364 Plant Operations Interdisciplinary Field Experience course if filled.

## COURSES

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

## NURSING PROGRAM

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

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#### DEGREE INFORMATION

##### Program Admission Deadlines:

Fall: February 1

Minimum Total Hours: ~~52~~45

Program Level: Doctoral

CIP Code: 51.1601

Dept Code: NUR

Program (Major/College): NUR NR

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

College: Nursing

Contact Information: [www.grad.usf.edu](http://www.grad.usf.edu)

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### PROGRAM INFORMATION

The D.N.P. 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, and management of care for individuals and populations

#### D.N.P. Program Goals:

- Prepare leaders to implement and evaluate evidenced based practice.
- Create an environment that enhances the use of translational research to solve practice problems and improve health outcomes.
- Ensure excellence in the dissemination of findings from evidence-based practice at the national and international levels.
- Promote critical analyses of health policy and related issues from the perspective of the consumer, nursing, and key stakeholders.
- Ensure advanced levels of clinical judgment, systems thinking, and accountability in the implementation and evaluation of evidenced based care to diverse individuals and populations.
- Develop leaders to integrate and institutionalize evidenced based clinical prevention and population health services.

#### Accreditation:

Accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of College and Schools; Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education

### ADMISSION INFORMATION

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

- M.S. in Nursing from a regionally accredited program
- GRE
- Minimum 3.00 GPA at the graduate level
- Licensure as an Advanced Practice Nurse Three letters of recommendation
- Curriculum Vitae
- Written Statement of Professional Goals
- -A grade of B or higher is required in master's level health assessment, pathophysiology, pharmacology, theory, and research.



## DEGREE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of ~~52~~ 45 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~~ 30 minimum credit hours

NGR6673	Epidemiology for Advanced Nursing	(3)
<del>NGR7841</del>	<del>Statistical Methods Nursing Research I</del>	<del>(3)</del>
<del>or</del>		
<del>EDF6407</del>	<del>Statistical Analyses for Ed. Research</del>	<del>(4)</del>
<del>or</del>		
<del>PHC6050</del>	<del>Biostatistics</del>	<del>(3)</del>
<u>NGR 7XXX</u>	<u>Fundamental Statistics for Clinicians</u>	<u>(3)</u>
NGR7951	Scientific Writing-Publication	(3)
NGR7103	Evidence Based Practice	(3)
NGR7141	Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice II	(3)
NGR7776	Leadership & System Analysis	(3)
NGR7881	Ethics in Research and Practice	(3)
NGR7892	Health Policy Issues in Nursing and Health Care	(3)
NGR7974	Evidence Based Project	(4)
NGR7945	DNP Residency	<u>(2-9)*</u>

### Advanced Practice Cognate

15 credit hours

NGR7176	Pharmacotherapeutics	(3)
NGR7209	Diagnostic Reasoning	(3)
NGR7767	Practice Management	(3)
Electives		(6)

\*D.N.P. students must have a minimum of 1,000 post-baccalaureate supervised clinical hours at the time of graduation. Credits earned during a student's master's advanced practice program will be computed into the total number of supervised clinical hours. A minimum of two (2) credits or D.N.P. residency is required for graduation.

The residency and research project are done over a minimum of two semesters.

## 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: [December 15](#)

**Minimum Total Hours:** 60-99

**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](http://www.grad.usf.edu)

#### PROGRAM INFORMATION

The Ph.D. prepares scholars to

- generate and disseminate knowledge through independent and/or collaborative efforts
- conduct intra/interdisciplinary research
- assume leadership roles in nursing education and practice
- influence the delivery of health care services, especially for high risk and medically underserved groups
- 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

**B.S. (in Nursing) – Ph.D.**

- B.S. in Nursing from a regionally accredited program
- GRE
- 3.00 GPA
- Licensure as a Registered Nurse if performing clinical work
- Three letters or recommendation
- Curriculum Vitae
- Written Statement of Professional Goals
- Demonstrated commitment to doctoral study and scholarly productivity
- Clear potential for research contributions
- Evidence of potential for leadership in nursing profession

**M.S. (in Nursing) – Ph.D.**

- M.S. in Nursing from a regionally accredited program
- GRE
- 3.00 GPA
- Licensure as a registered nurse if performing clinical work
- Three letters or recommendation

- Curriculum Vitae
- Written Statement of Professional Goals
- Demonstrated commitment to doctoral study and scholarly productivity
- Clear potential for research contributions
- Evidence of potential for leadership in nursing profession

Applicants to the Ph.D. program who have completed a professional doctorate degree (DNP) may have professional degree credits transferred into the Ph.D. in Nursing Science. The transfer of credits is determined on an individual basis and will be at the discretion of the College's doctoral committee.

#### Requirements for Transfer of Credits:

- GPA –Credits transferred in must have a grade of B or higher
- For internal institutional credits the grade of the transferred course:
  - Will be calculated in the GPA at USF
  - Will be noted on the transcript as the grade earned
- For external institution credits the grade of the transferred course:
  - Will not be calculated in the GPA at USF
  - Will be noted on the transcript by a T from a non- USF institution
  - Will be noted on the transcript by a N/A if from a USF regionally accredited institution
- Credit Hours may not exceed 40% of the Ph.D. program requirements for total course hours. Credit hours from a professional doctorate may not count towards dissertation requirements.
- The doctoral committee will be responsible for evaluating, approving, and initiating the transfer as soon as possible following admission.

## DEGREE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

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

#### M.S. - 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)

		<b>33 credit hours</b>
NGR7123	Theory Development in Nursing	(3)
NGR7124	Advances in Nursing Science	(3)
NGR7816	Research Designs and Methods in Nursing	(3)
NGR7841	Statistical Methods in Nursing Research I	(3)
NGR7842	Statistical Methods in Nursing Research II	(3)
NGR7843	Statistical Methods in Nursing Research III	(3)
NGR7815	Qualitative Methods in Nursing Research	(3)
NGR7823	Psychometrics and Measurement for Nursing Research	(3)
NGR7881	Ethics in Research and Practice	(3)
NGR7892	Health Policy Issues in Nursing and Health Care	(3)
NGR7941	Nursing Research Pro Seminar	(1)
NGR7981	Dissertation Proposal Writing	(2)

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

**Cognate****(12 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. (suggested courses include: NGR 6824 Data Analysis for Health Sciences, NGR 7932 Current Topics in Quantitative Methods, and NGR 6713 Foundations of Nursing Education.

**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. The qualifying examination consists of two parts:

1. One qualification for admission to candidacy in the Ph.D. program at USF College of Nursing is the authorship of a scholarly manuscript, suitable for publication in a peer-reviewed journal. The student need not be the sole author but is to be the principal (lead) author on the manuscript. The student is responsible for submission and related correspondence with the target journal. Secondary authorship is appropriate for faculty who provide existing data for the student to analyze, assist in formulating the problem or hypothesis, structuring the study design, organizing or conducting the statistical analysis, and interpreting the results. Lesser contributions that do not warrant secondary authorship include such supportive functions as building/providing equipment, advising about statistical analyses, copy editing, collecting and entering data, recruiting participants, or conducting routine observations, assessments, and/or diagnoses.
2. Preparation and submission of a research grant application for funding to an appropriate agency.

The manuscript may be: an empirical paper reporting on the results of an original study conducted by the student under the supervision of his/her advisor(s), a systematic narrative (i.e. qualitative) review of the empirical literature relevant to the student's dissertation topic, or a theoretical discussion paper addressing issues germane to the student's dissertation topic. The manuscript should build upon what is known and so make an original contribution to the knowledge base in nursing and/or other health care disciplines.

The type and content of the manuscript, as well as the selection of the target journal(s) to be discussed and decided upon by the student and the members of the student's dissertation committee. Target journals are to be strategically chosen based on the journal's impact factor, target audience, and consideration of other characteristics likely to further the student's career as a researcher. Manuscripts are to be prepared according to other target journals' guidelines for authors.

This motion was approved by the doctoral committee on March 12, 2010 and the (College of Nursing) faculty council on March 19, 2010 and is pursuant to the Admission to Candidacy requirement which has been previously been a "sole-authored" manuscript.

**Dissertation (12 Credits)**

Students must complete and successfully defend a dissertation.

**B.S. -Ph.D.**

A minimum of 99 hours post-baccalaureate is required. The program is designed as a full-time four-year course of study.

**Knowledge Building Core (Required)****48 credit hours**

NGR6080	Health Promotion of Individuals, Families, and Populations	(3)
NGR6121	Theoretical Foundations	(3)
NGR6737	Ethical/Legal/Policy Issues in Adv Nursing Practice*	(3)
NGR6800	Nursing Research	(3)
NGR6824	Data Analysis for Health Sciences	(3)
NGR7123	Theory Development in Nursing	(3)
NGR7124	Advances in Nursing Science	(3)
NGR7815	Qualitative Methods in Nursing Research	(3)
NGR7816	Research Designs and Methods in Nursing	(3)
NGR7823	Psychometrics and Measurement for Nursing Research	(3)
NGR7841	Statistical Methods in Nursing Research I	(3)
NGR7842	Statistical Methods in Nursing Research II	(3)
NGR7843	Statistical Methods in Nursing Research III	(3)
NGR7881	Ethics in Research and Practice	(3)
NGR7892	Health Policy Issues in Nursing and Health Care	(3)
NGR7941	Nursing Research Pro Seminar	(1)
NGR7981	Dissertation Proposal Writing	(2)

\*Not needed for Nursing Education track

**Advanced Practice (Required)****12 credit hours**

NGR6140	Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice Nursing	(4)
NGR6002C	Health Assessment for Advanced Practice	(4)
NGR6172	Pharmacology for Advanced Nursing Practice	(4)

**Specialty Track****18-25 credit hours**

Required to choose at least one:

- Nursing Education
- Oncology
- Adult Health
- Pediatric Health
- Family Health

**Nursing Education****18 credit hours**

NGR6710	Teaching Strategies in Nursing Education	(3)
NGR6713	Foundations of Nursing Education	(3)
NGR6718	Evaluation Strategies in Nursing Education	(3)
NGR6947	Practicum in Nursing Education	(3)
	Cognates*	(6)

\*Selected courses with Advisor permission from the College of Public Health, College of Education, and the College of Nursing, which may be chosen from:

NGR672	Leadership and Applied Management in Nursing Health Care	(3)
NGRXXX	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)

**Oncology****18 credit hours**

NGR6221	Oncology Nursing Concepts	(3)
NGR6220	Pathobiology of Neoplasia	(3)
NGR6240	Adult Health for Nursing Specialties	(3)

NGR6222L	Practicum I: Oncology Nursing	(3)
NGR6223L	Practicum II: Oncology Nursing	(3)
NGR6224L	Practicum III: Oncology Nursing	(3)

**Adult Nurse Practitioner****22 credit hours**

NGR6201	Primary Care of Adults I	(3)
NGR6202C	Primary Care of Adults II	(6)
NGR6343C	Primary Care of Women	(5)
NGR6301	Primary Care of Children & Adolescents I	(3)
NGR6700C	Advanced Practice Nurse Transitions	(5)

**Pediatric Nurse Practitioner****19 credit hours**

NGR6301	Primary Care of Children & Adolescents I	(3)
NGR6302C	Primary Care of Children & Adolescents II	(6)
NGR6343C	Primary Care of Women	(5)
NGR6700C	Advanced Practice Nurse Transitions	(5)

**Family Nurse Practitioner****25 credit hours**

NGR6201	Primary Care of Adults I	(3)
NGR6202C	Primary Care of Adults II	(6)
NGR6343C	Primary Care of Women	(5)
NGR6301C	Primary Care of Children & Adolescents I	(3)

**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, and research tools.

**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. The qualifying examination consists of two parts:

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

**Dissertation****(12- 24 Credits)**

Students complete and successfully defend a dissertation.

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

**COURSES**

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