

A Post-Master's Certificate is offered for all degree options: Family Nurse Practitioner, Nurse Administration, and Nurse Education. The Post-Masters Certificate is designed for nurses who have a master's degree in nursing and need to complete a course of study leading to a national certification (see each degree option for specific courses).

Administration Requirements

General policies relating to admission to the Graduate School, advanced placement, progression, grievance and graduation can be found in the Prairie View A&M University Graduate School catalog. Also, students must meet the following requirements for admission to graduate study in the Prairie View A&M University College of Nursing:

1. A master's degree in nursing from an NLNAC or CCNE accredited program
2. Official transcripts covering all periods of enrollment in institutions of higher education.
3. Current licensure as a registered nurse in the State of Texas or application for licensure in progress.
4. A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 (B average) in all prior graduate course work.
5. Three (3) satisfactory professional nursing /academic letters of recommendation. One of which must be from a nursing faculty.
6. A current resume or curriculum vita.
7. Official documentation of a negative criminal background check and a drug screening test upon request.
8. An interview is required of qualified applicants.

Applicants who are certified Nurse Practitioners seeking a Post-Master's Certificate as a Family Nurse Practitioner will be considered on an individual basis. In addition the applicant must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be recognized as a Nurse Practitioner in the State of Texas.
2. Submit proof of employment as a Nurse Practitioner.

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PREFIX/ NUMBER	TITLE	SEMESTER HOURS
GRADUATE CORE COURSE		2
NURS 5042	Role Theory & Ethics in Advanced Practice Nursing	2
ADVANCED PRACTICE CORE COURSES		10
NURS 5023	Advanced Pharmacology*	3
NURS 5033	Advanced Pathophysiology *	3
NURS 5214	Advanced Health Assessment *	4
NURSE PRACTITIONER SPECIALITY COURSES		20
NURS 5215	Primary Health Care for the Childbearing/Childrearing Family	5
NURS 5245	Primary Health Care for the Adult and Elderly	5
NURS 5763	Financial Management in Advanced Nursing Practice	3
NURS 5257	Management of Complex Health Problems	7
TOTAL HOURS		32

* Advanced Practice Courses must be taken if not completed within the past 5 years. Transfer credits may be accepted for the Advanced Practice Courses. Nurses that are recognized as Advanced Practice Nurses are required to take the Nurse Practitioner Specialty Courses (20hrs).