MSN in Neonatal Nurse Practitioner

The Neonatal Nurse Practitioner (NNP) concentration is designed to prepare nurses at an advanced practice entry level to deliver high-quality care in acute care neonatal intensive care units (NICUs). Population focus is preterm neonates (<37 weeks), term neonates, infants, and children up to the age of 2 years and their families. Program study includes evidence-based content in embryology, pathophysiology, assessment, management, and pharmacology focusing on the care of high-risk neonates and infants.

Educational Outcomes

- Apply theoretical perspectives, scientific evidence, and visionary thinking to critically analyze and lead complex organizational systems and implement innovative change.
- Use interpersonal, inter-professional and organizational communication and relationship building skills to create and lead highly functioning, reliable, and healthy inter professional
- teams.
- Combine business skills and principles, evidence-based practice, informatics, quality and safety strategies and metrics to lead care systems for improvement of processes and
- outcomes to improve health outcomes.
- Employ state, federal, and global health policy(ies) to advocate for healthcare reform and improve health outcomes for all.
- Model professionalism, integrity, ethical decision making, respect for differing points of view in diverse populations and promoting social justice in the development of the advanced practice role.
- Utilize research for the improvement of nursing practice and the advancement of nursing as an academic discipline.
- Ascertain the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary to continuously improve the quality and safety of the health care systems in which they practice through lifelong learning.

Year One

Term A

Code	Title	Hours
Semester 1		
Term A		
NURS 5310	Nursing Theory	3
Term B		
NURS 5319	Advanced Pathophysiology	3
Total Hours		6
Code	Title	Hours
Semester 2		
Term A		
NURS 5362	Pharmacotherapeutics	3
Term B		
NURS 5370	Rsrch Appraisal & Application	3
Total Hours		6
Code	Title	Hours
Semester 3		
Term A		
NURS 5338	Health Policy and Advocacy	3
Term B		
NURS 5220	Advanced Health Assessment	2
NURS 5121	Adv Health Assessm. Practicum	1
Total Hours		6
Year Two		
Code	Title	Hours
Semester 4		

NURS 5253	Advanced Neonatal Assessment	2
NURS 5254	Advanced Practice Nursing Role	2
Term B		
NURS 5255	Neonatal Adv Diag & Skills	2
Total Hours		6
Code	Title	Hours
Semester 5		
Term A		
NURS 5256	Neonatal IA	2
NURS 5257	Neonatal IA Practicum	2
Term B		
NURS 5258	Neonatal IB	2
NURS 5259	Neonatal IB Practicum	2
Total Hours		8
Code	Title	Hours
Semester 6		
Term A		
NURS 5261	Neonatal IIA	2
NURS 5262	Neonatal IIA Practicum	2
Term B		
NURS 5263	Neonatal IIB	2
NURS 5377	Neonatal IIB Practicum	3
Total Hours		9
Year Three		
Code	Title	Hours
Semester 7		
Term A		
NURS 5378	Neonatal Advance Practic A	3
Term B		
NURS 5410	Neonatal Advance Practic B	4