

ADULT ONCOLOGY SPECIALIST, CERTIFICATE

Our Adult Oncology Specialty Certificate is designed for practicing Master's-prepared nurses who desire advanced training in oncology nursing from the top researchers and clinicians in the country.

Our faculty have extensive experience in oncology nursing. Students interact with nationally recognized scientists and clinicians in the field of cancer care from the School of Nursing and the University of Pennsylvania Health System's Abramson Cancer Center. The program consists of three courses, the last of which includes clinical hours. Certificate students who have been working with oncology patients should submit a portfolio to determine if additional clinical experiences are required. Clinically-focused students will complete 240 clinical hours. These hours can be applied to meet the clinical hours requirement for certification. Students focused on leading and/or administering oncology programs can complete NURS 6970 in place of the clinical course in order to obtain content focused on these roles.

Courses are online with synchronous and asynchronous components. Students are required to come to Penn's campus twice (2 days in the fall and 2 days in the spring) for seminars, high-fidelity simulations, and networking with experts in the field of oncology and nursing.

For more information: <http://www.nursing.upenn.edu/adult-oncology-minor-post-masters/>

Curriculum

A total of 3 course units are required. We also provide a sample plan of study (<https://www.nursing.upenn.edu/adult-oncology-minor-post-masters/plans-of-study/typical-sequence/>) for students.

Code	Title	Course Units
Theory Courses		
NURS 6640	Advanced Practice for Oncology Care	1
NURS 6660	Effects of Cancer and Cancer Therapy	1
Clinical Courses		
NURS 6670	Oncology Practice: Assessment, Diagnosis, & Cancer Management	1
	or NURS 6970	
Total Course Units		3

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2024 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.
