

PEDIATRIC PRIMARY CARE NURSE PRACTITIONER, MSN

Penn is a nationally recognized leader in training excellent nurse practitioners for primary care practice. As you study with us, you'll learn all of the pediatric nurse practitioners' responsibilities, including well-child care, sick exams, health counseling, telephone management, behavioral issues, conducting research, providing education, and impacting public policy. The goal will be for you to be able to practice these roles in an autonomous fashion, in collaboration with a physician or as a leader of an interdisciplinary team. Coursework for the NP program includes core graduate courses, electives, and a group of six clinical courses that must be taken together.

Curriculum

Code	Title	Course Units
Core Courses		
NURS 6080	Advanced Pharmacology and Therapeutics for Nursing Practice	1
NURS 6570	Advanced Physical Assessment and Clinical Decision Making	1
NURS 6850	Advanced Developmental Physiology and Pathophysiology	1
NURS 6370	Introduction to Research Methods and Design ¹	1
or NURS 5470	Scientific Inquiry for Evidence-based Practice	
Theory Courses		
NURS 6560	Professional Role Issues for Nurse Practitioners	1
NURS 6580	Clinical Management of Primary Care with Young Families	1
NURS 7200	Nursing of Children Theory I: Child and Family Development	1
Clinical Courses		
NURS 6590	Clinical Practicum: Primary Care with Young Families	1
NURS 6600	Clinical Practice with Select Populations: Adolescents	1
NURS 6630	Advanced Concepts in Primary Care	1
Elective Courses		
Select 2 graduate level NURS electives		2
Total Course Units		12

¹ The alternate course, NURS 5470, is a graduate-level research methods course approved for Penn BSN students only.

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.

Full Time Plan of Study

Fall	Course	Units
NURS 6560	Professional Role Issues for Nurse Practitioners	1
NURS 6570	Advanced Physical Assessment and Clinical Decision Making	1
NURS 6850	Advanced Developmental Physiology and Pathophysiology	1
NURS 7200	Nursing of Children Theory I: Child and Family Development	1
Course Units		4.00
Spring		
NURS 6080	Advanced Pharmacology and Therapeutics for Nursing Practice	1
NURS 6580	Clinical Management of Primary Care with Young Families	1
NURS 6590	Clinical Practicum: Primary Care with Young Families	1
Graduate Nursing Elective 1		1
Course Units		4.00
Summer		
NURS 6370	Introduction to Research Methods and Design	1
NURS 6600	Clinical Practice with Select Populations: Adolescents	1
NURS 6630	Advanced Concepts in Primary Care	1
Graduate Nursing Elective 2		1
Course Units		4.00
Total Course Units		12.00

Part Time Plan of Study

2-Year			Summer	
First Year				
Fall				
NURS 6850	Advanced Developmental Physiology and Pathophysiology	1	NURS 6600	Clinical Practice with Select Populations: Adolescents
NURS 7200	Nursing of Children Theory I: Child and Family Development	1	NURS 6630	Advanced Concepts in Primary Care
Course Units			Course Units	2.00
			Total Course Units	12.00
Spring				
NURS 6080	Advanced Pharmacology and Therapeutics for Nursing Practice	1		
NURS 6370	Introduction to Research Methods and Design	1		
Course Units				
Summer				
NURS XXXX Graduate Nursing Elective 1			1	
NURS XXXX Graduate Nursing Elective 2			1	
Course Units			2.00	
Second Year				
Fall				
NURS 6560	Professional Role Issues for Nurse Practitioners	1		
NURS 6570	Advanced Physical Assessment and Clinical Decision Making	1		
Course Units			2.00	
Spring				
NURS 6580	Clinical Management of Primary Care with Young Families	1		
NURS 6590	Clinical Practicum: Primary Care with Young Families	1		
Course Units			2.00	