

# PSYCHIATRIC MENTAL HEALTH NURSE PRACTITIONER, DNP ADVANCED PRACTICE TRACK

This track prepares the student to diagnose and manage acute and chronic mental health problems across the lifespan (including pediatric through geriatric populations). The Johns Hopkins School of Nursing includes the use of the Perspectives of Psychiatry as an approach to the understanding and treatment of patients with psychiatric conditions. This inclusion offers systematic consideration of the patient's psychiatric condition from four perspectives: disease, dimensional, behavior, and life story.

## The development of the curriculum is based on:

- American Association of Colleges of Nursing- The Essentials: Core Competencies For Professional Nursing Education (2021)
- The National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF) Nurse Practitioner Role Core Competencies (2022)
- The NONPF Psychiatric-Mental Health Competencies (2013)

**Certification:** Graduates will be eligible to apply for American Nurses Credentialing Center (<https://www.nursingworld.org/our-certifications/>) (ANCC) and American Academy of Nurse Practitioners Certification Board certification as a board certified psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner (PMHNP-BC).

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## Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Track-Specific Curriculum

### For students in the Fall 2024 cohort:

Code	Title	Credits
NR.406.700	Introduction to Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practice Interview Techniques	2
NR.406.703	Diagnostic Skills for Psychiatric and Mental Health Advanced Practice Nursing	1
NR.406.706	Neurobiology of Mental Disorders	1
NR.406.708	Clinical Psychopharmacology	2
NR.406.710	Differential Diagnosis of Mental Disorders	3
NR.406.712	Psychotherapeutic Frameworks and Modalities	2
NR.406.714	Diagnostic Reasoning I: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner: Adult/Gero	1
NR.406.715	Diagnostic Reasoning II: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner: Children and Families	1
NR.406.720	Clinical Management I: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner: Adult/Gero	3
NR.406.722	Clinical Management II: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner: Children and Families	2
NR.406.724	Integrated Care I for the Psychiatric/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	1

NR.406.725	Integrated Care II, for the Psychiatric/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	1
NR.406.726	Diagnostic Reasoning III: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	1
NR.406.727	Diagnostic Reasoning IV: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	1
NR.406.730	Clinical Management III: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	4
NR.406.731	Clinical Management IV: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	4

**Total Credits** 30

Track Totals [30cr/1040CL]

### For students in Fall 2023 or earlier cohorts:

Code	Title	Credits
NR.110.573	Neurobiology of Mental Disorders	1
NR.110.574	Clinical Psychopharmacology	2
NR.110.575	Differential Diagnosis of Mental Disorders	2
NR.110.576	Psychotherapeutic Frameworks and Modalities	2
NR.110.577	Clinical Reasoning I: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum: Adult/Gero	1
NR.110.578	Clinical Reasoning II: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum: Peds/Family	1
NR.110.585	Clinical Reasoning III : Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	1
NR.110.586	Clinical Reasoning IV: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	1
NR.210.577	Clinical Practicum I: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum: Adult/Gero	2
NR.210.578	Clinical Practicum II: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum: Peds/Family	5
NR.210.585	Clinical Practicum III: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	4
NR.210.586	Clinical Practicum IV: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	3

**Total Credits** 25

Track Totals [25cr/784CL]

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### For students in the Fall 2024 Cohort:

Course	Title	Credits
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>First Semester</b>		
NR.400.700	Advanced Physiology and Pathophysiology Part I	2
NR.400.706	Pharmacology for Advanced Practice Part I	2
NR.400.717	Application of Biostatistical Methods for Evidence-Based Practice	2
NR.400.721	Health Promotion and Disease Across the Lifespan	2
NR.400.723	Advanced Health Policy	2
<b>Credits</b>		<b>10</b>

**Second Semester**

NR.400.701	Advanced Physiology and Pathophysiology Part II	2
NR.400.704	Advanced Health Assessment and Measurement?for Advanced Practice Nurses	3
NR.400.707	Pharmacology for Advanced Practice Part II	2
NR.400.710	Human Growth, Development and Supervision Birth through Adolescence	2
NR.400.727	Organizational and Systems Leadership for Quality Healthcare	2

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**Credits** 11

**Third Semester**

NR.400.719	Application of the Research Process to Evidence-Based Practice	2
NR.406.700	Introduction to Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practice Interview Techniques	2
NR.406.703	Diagnostic Skills for Psychiatric and Mental Health Advanced Practice Nursing	1
Elective		1

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**Credits** 6

**Second Year****First Semester**

NR.400.732	Healthcare Finance for Advanced Nursing Practice	2
NR.406.706	Neurobiology of Mental Disorders	1
NR.406.708	Clinical Psychopharmacology	2
NR.406.710	Differential Diagnosis of Mental Disorders	3
NR.406.712	Psychotherapeutic Frameworks and Modalities	2

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**Credits** 10

**Second Semester**

NR.400.725	Inquiry for Scholarly Practice	3
NR.400.740	Scholarly Project Discovery	2.5
NR.400.742	Scholarly Project Discovery Practicum	0.5
NR.406.714	Diagnostic Reasoning I: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner: Adult/Gero	1
NR.406.720	Clinical Management I: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner: Adult/Gero	3
NR.406.724	Integrated Care I for the Psychiatric/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	1

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**Credits** 11

**Third Semester**

NR.400.729	Translation of Evidence for Advanced Nursing Practice	1
NR.400.734	Advanced Clinical Data Management for Evidence-Based Practice and Performance Improvement	2
NR.400.744	Scholarly Project Advancement	2.5
NR.400.746	Scholarly Project Advancement Practicum	0.5
NR.406.715	Diagnostic Reasoning II: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner: Children and Families	1

NR.406.722	Clinical Management II: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner: Children and Families	2
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**Credits** 9

**Third Year****First Semester**

NR.400.738	Advanced Applications of Information Technology in Healthcare Delivery	2
NR.400.748	Scholarly Project Application	1.5
NR.400.750	Scholarly Project Application Practicum	0.5
NR.406.726	Diagnostic Reasoning III: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	1
NR.406.730	Clinical Management III: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	4
NR.406.725	Integrated Care II, for the Psychiatric/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	1

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**Credits** 10

**Second Semester**

NR.400.736	Clinical data management and analyses for advanced practice	2
NR.400.752	Scholarly Project Evaluation and Dissemination	1.5
NR.400.754	Scholarly Project Evaluation and Dissemination Practicum	0.5
NR.406.727	Diagnostic Reasoning IV: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	1
NR.406.731	Clinical Management IV: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	4

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**Credits** 9

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**Total Credits** 76

**Program Total: 76 Credits [cr]/1040 Clinical Hours [CL]/160 Project Practicum Hours [PPR]**

**Program of Study**

*For students in Fall 2023 or earlier cohorts:*

Course	Title	Credits
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>First Semester</b>		
NR.210.600	Advanced Physiology/Pathophysiology	4
NR.210.606	Biostatistics for Evidence-Based Practice	3
NR.210.607	Context of Health Care for Advanced Nursing Practice	3
NR.210.603	Human Growth and Development: Birth through Adolescence	1
<b>Credits</b> 11		
<b>Second Semester</b>		
NR.210.601	Advanced Health Assessment and Measurement	3
NR.210.602	Clinical Pharmacology	4
NR.210.604	Health Supervision: Birth through Adolescence	2

NR.210.608	The Research Process and Its Application to Evidence-Based Practice	3
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<b>Credits</b>		<b>12</b>
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**Third Semester**

NR.210.612	Diagnostic Skills for Psychiatric and Mental Health Advanced Practice Nursing	1
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NR.210.806	Health Finance	2
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NR.210.610	Health Promotion and Risk Reduction Across the Lifespan	2
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NR.210.886	Problem Discovery (56ppr)	2
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<b>Credits</b>		<b>7</b>
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**Second Year****First Semester**

NR.210.802	Advanced Nursing Health Policy	2
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NR.110.574	Clinical Psychopharmacology	2
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NR.110.575	Differential Diagnosis of Mental Disorders	2
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NR.110.573	Neurobiology of Mental Disorders	1
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NR.210.803	Nursing Inquiry for Evidence-Based Practice	3
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NR.110.576	Psychotherapeutic Frameworks and Modalities	2
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<b>Credits</b>		<b>12</b>
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**Second Semester**

NR.110.577	Clinical Reasoning I: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum: Adult/ Gero <sup>1</sup>	1
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NR.110.579	Integrated Care I	1
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NR.210.609	Philosophical, Theoretical & Ethical Basis of Advanced Nursing Practice	3
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NR.210.887	Project Advancement (56ppr)	2
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NR.210.805	Translating Evidence into Practice	3
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NR.210.577	Clinical Practicum I: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum: Adult/ Gero	2
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<b>Credits</b>		<b>12</b>
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**Third Semester**

NR.210.817	Analysis and Evaluation of Individual and Population Health Data	3
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NR.110.578	Clinical Reasoning II: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum: Peds/ Family	1
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NR.110.580	Integrated Care II	1
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NR.210.578	Clinical Practicum II: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum: Peds/ Family	5
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<b>Credits</b>		<b>10</b>
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**Third Year****First Semester**

NR.210.822	Health Information Systems and Patient Care Technologies	2
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NR.210.888	Project Application (56ppr)	2
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NR.210.585	Clinical Practicum III: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	4
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NR.110.585	Clinical Reasoning III : Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	1
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<b>Credits</b>		<b>9</b>
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**Second Semester**

NR.210.818	Clinical Data Management and Analyses	2
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NR.210.804	Organizational and Systems Leadership for Quality Care	2
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NR.210.889	Project Evaluation and Dissemination (56ppr)	2
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NR.110.586	Clinical Reasoning IV: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	1
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NR.210.586	Clinical Practicum IV: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	3
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<b>Credits</b>		<b>10</b>
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<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>83</b>
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**Program Total: 83-90 Credits [cr]/784 Clinical Hours [CL]/224 Project Practicum Hours [PPR]**

<sup>1</sup> NR.110.577 & NR.110.578 are variable courses which for the Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner, DNP Advanced Practice Track will be counted as 1 credit apiece