

PEDIATRIC PRIMARY CARE NURSE PRACTITIONER, DNP ADVANCED PRACTICE TRACK

This track prepares the student to practice at an advanced level to provide evidence-based family centered care to children from birth through adolescence. Pediatric primary care nurse practitioners (PNPs) provide the initial, ongoing, and comprehensive care to patients in a variety of settings including: private offices, community clinics, newborn nursery, schools and in program-based specialty areas that manage chronically ill patients across the disease spectrum. PNPs assess, diagnose, and treat acute and chronic illnesses and are responsible and accountable for providing preventative health care, including health promotion, disease prevention, and health education and counseling.

The development of the curriculum is based on:

- The Essentials of Doctoral Education for Advanced Practice Nursing (AACN, 2021)
- The National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF) NP Role Core Competencies (2022)
- The National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF) NP Core Competencies with Curriculum Content (2017)
- The National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF) Population-Focused Nurse Practitioner Competencies: Pediatric Acute Care (NONPF, 2013)
- The National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF) Statement on Acute Care and Primary Care Certified Nurse Practitioner Practice (NONPF, 2012)
- The National Task Force Criteria for Evaluation of Nurse Practitioner Programs (2022)
- The National Task Force (NTF) Quality Nurse Practitioner Standards for Quality Nurse Practitioner Education, 6th ed. (2022).

Certification: Graduates are eligible to apply for the Pediatric Nursing Certification Board's pediatric primary care certification exams: <http://www.pncb.org/ptistore/control/exams/pnp/steps> (<http://www.pncb.org/ptistore/control/exams/pnp/steps/>).

Pediatric Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Track-Specific Curriculum

Code	Title	Credits
NR.210.630	Clinical Reasoning I - Clinical Management for the Pediatric Nurse Practitioner: Common Acute Illnesses in Pediatrics	2
NR.210.631	Clinical Reasoning II-Clinical Management for the Pediatric Nurse Practitioner: Chronic Illnesses in Pediatrics	2
NR.210.632	Clinical Reasoning III: Acute Complex Problems with Gender and Behavior Health (with variations)	2
NR.210.633	Clinical Reasoning IV-Clinical Management for the Pediatric Nurse Practitioner: Problems Specific to the Newborn/Infant	2
NR.210.634	Clinical Reasoning V - Topics for Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Practice	2

NR.210.635	Clinical Practicum I: Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (168CL)	3
NR.210.636	Clinical Practicum II: Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (168CL)	3
NR.210.637	Clinical Practicum III: Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (112CL)	2
NR.210.638	Clinical Practicum IV: Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (112CL)	2
NR.210.639	Clinical Practicum V: Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (224CL)	4

Total Credits 24

Track Totals [24cr/784CL]

Program of Study

DNP Advanced Practice Track: Pediatric Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Program of Study: 4-year plan

Course	Title	Credits
First Year		
First Semester		
NR.210.606	Biostatistics for Evidence-Based Practice	3
NR.210.607	Context of Health Care for Advanced Nursing Practice	3
NR.210.806	Health Finance	2
Credits		8
Second Semester		
NR.210.608	The Research Process and Its Application to Evidence-Based Practice	3
NR.210.600	Advanced Physiology/Pathophysiology	4
NR.210.802	Advanced Nursing Health Policy	2
Credits		9
Third Semester		
NR.210.610	Health Promotion and Risk Reduction Across the Lifespan	2
NR.210.602	Clinical Pharmacology	4
Credits		6
Second Year		
First Semester		
NR.210.822	Health Information Systems and Patient Care Technologies	2
NR.210.601	Advanced Health Assessment and Measurement	3
NR.210.804	Organizational and Systems Leadership for Quality Care	2
NR.210.603	Human Growth and Development: Birth through Adolescence	1
Credits		8
Second Semester		
NR.210.609	Philosophical, Theoretical & Ethical Basis of Advanced Nursing Practice	3
NR.210.605	Diagnostic Skills and Procedures for Advanced Practice Nursing	2
NR.210.604	Health Supervision: Birth through Adolescence	2

NR.210.630	Clinical Reasoning I - Clinical Management for the Pediatric Nurse Practitioner: Common Acute Illnesses in Pediatrics	2
Credits		9
Third Semester		
NR.210.631	Clinical Reasoning II-Clinical Management for the Pediatric Nurse Practitioner: Chronic Illnesses in Pediatrics	2
NR.210.635	Clinical Practicum I: Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (168CL)	3
NR.210.886	Problem Discovery (56PPR)	2
Credits		7
Third Year		
First Semester		
NR.210.803	Nursing Inquiry for Evidence-Based Practice	3
NR.210.632	Clinical Reasoning III: Acute Complex Problems with Gender and Behavior Health (with variations)	2
NR.210.636	Clinical Practicum II: Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (168CL)	3
Credits		8
Second Semester		
NR.210.805	Translating Evidence into Practice	3
NR.210.633	Clinical Reasoning IV-Clinical Management for the Pediatric Nurse Practitioner: Problems Specific to the Newborn/Infant	2
NR.210.637	Clinical Practicum III: Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (112CL)	2
NR.210.887	Project Advancement (56PPR)	2
Credits		9
Third Semester		
NR.210.817	Analysis and Evaluation of Individual and Population Health Data	3
NR.210.634	Clinical Reasoning V - Topics for Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Practice	2
NR.210.638	Clinical Practicum IV: Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (112CL)	2
Credits		7
Fourth Year		
First Semester		
NR.210.639	Clinical Practicum V: Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (224CL)	4
NR.210.888	Project Application (56PPR)	2
Credits		6
Second Semester		
NR.210.818	Clinical Data Management and Analyses	2
NR.210.889	Project Evaluation and Dissemination (56PPR)	2
Credits		4
Total Credits		81

Program Total: 81 Credits [cr]/784 Clinical Hours [CL]/224 Project Practicum Hours [PPR]