

Track II: Nurse Educator (40 Credits)

The Master of Science Degree Program in Nursing: Nurse Educator Track prepares professional nurses to assume entry-level faculty roles in nursing education programs, as well as educator roles in staff development, continuing education programs, and community education. This program of study requires 40 semester hours of credit. Students complete the Advanced Practice Nursing courses as well as Nurse Educator Specialty course requirements. The Nurse Educator Program provides students with both the instructional skills and a strong clinical knowledge base to become valuable, highly marketable members of the education and nursing professions.

Nurse Educator Program Outcomes

At the completion of the Nurse Educator Program, the graduate will have the ability to:

- Synthesize and apply advanced knowledge derived from physiological, developmental, psychological, socio-cultural, and spiritual variables.
- Demonstrate critical thinking and clinical decision making, utilizing evidence-based findings to effect change within the health care system.
- Collaborate effectively with clients, family, and other health care providers in the coordination of comprehensive, holistic care.
- Evaluate the quality and cost-effectiveness of care in analysis of nursing practice outcomes.
- Formulate and integrate a humanistic, culturally competent, and ethical code of conduct into professional practice.
- Promote personal and professional growth by continued acquisition of advanced knowledge, expert practice, and community involvement.
- Integrate principles of nursing and education to promote student learning within the classroom, laboratory, and clinical domains.

Advanced Practice Nursing Core Courses

| COURSE # | COURSE TITLE | CREDITS |
|-----------------|--|----------------|
| NUR 601 | Conceptual Models and Theories of Advanced Practice Nursing..... | 3 |
| NUR 606 | Health Policy, Legal and Ethical Issues in Advanced Practice Nursing..... | 3 |
| NUR 607 | Advanced Pharmacology | 3 |
| NUR 611 | Advanced Pathophysiology..... | 3 |
| NUR 612 | Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning .. | 4 |
| NUR 630 | Health Promotion and Disease Prevention for the Advanced Practice Nurse | 3 |
| NUR 632 | Research Methods | 3 |
| | TOTAL CREDITS | 22 |

Nurse Educator Specialty Courses

| COURSE # | COURSE TITLE | CREDITS |
|-----------------|--|----------------|
| NUR 530 | Theories of Learning..... | 3 |
| NUR 540 | Models of Teaching and Instruction..... | 3 |
| NUR 550 | Curriculum Design | 3 |
| NUR 560 | Instructional Technology..... | 3 |
| NUR 570 | Assessment and Evaluation in Nursing Education | 3 |
| NUR 622 | Nurse Educator Synthesis Practicum | 3 |
| | TOTAL CREDITS | 18 |
| | TOTAL REQUIRED CREDITS | 40 |