

PSYCHIATRIC MENTAL HEALTH NURSE PRACTITIONER (POST MASTERS)

<https://chhs.unh.edu/nursing/program/graduate-certificate/psychiatric-mental-health>

Description

The Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will prepare the primary care nurse practitioner to provide primary mental health care to diverse clients across the lifespan. Graduates will be prepared to manage all aspects of patient care including assessing and managing psychiatric and mental health mental health care needs in a variety of treatment settings.

The Post-Master's Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program is designed for the primary care nurse practitioner with a master's degree and at least one year of advanced practice nursing experience who is looking to effectively care for patients with complex psychiatric and physical health needs. The aim of the program is to prepare nurse practitioners to add advanced psychiatric skills of therapy, prescribing psychiatric medications and clinical management needed to treat patients with mental illness and chronic medical co-morbidities.

Courses will embrace a lifespan perspective in psychiatric mental health diagnostic reasoning, psychopharmacology, neurobiology, applying psychotherapeutic modalities, individual psychotherapies and management of complex psychiatric illnesses giving the student an evidence-based framework for comprehensive psychiatric-mental health care.

Requirements

Certificate Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
NURS 975	Psychotherapeutic Frameworks and Modalities	3
NURS 977	Neurobiology of Mental Disorders	3
NURS 986	Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum I	2
NURS 978	Clinical Psychopharmacology	3
NURS 984	Differential Diagnosis of Mental Disorders	3
NURS 987	Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum II	2
NURS 988	Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum III	2
NURS 989	Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum IV	2
Total Credits		20