

Note: For more information regarding the Nurse Educator Concentration please refer to the [Graduate Nursing Student Handbook](#)

<b><u>CORE CURRICULUM (15 hours)<sup>1</sup></u></b>		<b><u>Hrs</u></b>	<b><u>Semester</u></b>	<b><u>Grade</u></b>
NURS 500	Research <sup>2</sup>	3	_____	_____
NURS 501	Health Policy & Ethics	3	_____	_____
NURS 502	Nursing Theory & Advanced Practice	3	_____	_____
NURS 503	Managing Population Health	3	_____	_____
NURS 521	Nursing Issues, Informatics & Technology	3	_____	_____
<b><u>ADVANCED PRACTICE CORE (9 hours)</u></b>				
NURS 504	Advanced Pharmacology	3	_____	_____
NURS 505	Advanced Health Assessment <sup>2 &amp; 3</sup>	3	_____	_____
NURS 506	Advanced Physiology & Pathophysiology	3	_____	_____
<b><u>NURSE EDUCATOR CONCENTRATION COURSES (18 hours)</u></b>				
EDUC 500	Advanced Educational Psychology	3	_____	_____
NURS 617	Advanced Clinical Applications for Nurse Educators <sup>4</sup>	3	_____	_____
NURS 618	Nursing Education I: Strategies: Teaching Strategies & Evaluation <sup>4</sup>	3	_____	_____
NURS 619	Nursing Education II: Curriculum Development <sup>4</sup>	3	_____	_____
NURS 620	Nursing Education III: Advanced Practicum <sup>4</sup>	3	_____	_____
NURS__	Elective <sup>5</sup>	3	_____	_____
<b>TOTAL HOURS:</b>		<b>42</b>		

**Graduation Requirements**

42 hours total  
 A minimum of 36 hours must be completed through Liberty University, not to include credits from a prior degree earned through Liberty  
 A maximum of 6 hours of transfer credit, including credit from a degree on the same academic level previously earned through Liberty, may be applied to the degree  
 3.0 GPA  
 No grades of C or D may be applied to the degree  
 Degree must be completed within 5 years  
 All Online students admitted on Academic Probation are required to enroll in and pass GRST 500 in their first semester  
 Submit Graduation Application at the beginning of the final Semester

**Program Currently Offered in Online Format Only**

**Notes**

<sup>1</sup>Students with RN license and bachelors degree in a discipline other than Nursing must take NURS 225, 440 and 490 within the first year of the program.  
<sup>2</sup>Introductory statistics course (math preferred) and an undergraduate course in health assessment are required. For those who did not complete these courses in their undergraduate programs, they may fulfill these requirements during the first two semesters of the M.S.N. program. Students must complete the statistics course prior to enrollment in NURS 500 and the health assessment prior to enrollment in NURS 505.  
<sup>3</sup>NURS 505 requires a faculty approved MSN prepared preceptor who will proctor the final head-to-toe physical exam.  
<sup>4</sup>NURS 617, 618, 619 & 620 involve practicum hours [Nurse Educator-200 hours]. Students must obtain a practicum site contract along with an approved MSN or doctorally prepared nurse educator preceptor. Students must also complete pre-practicum requirements prior to enrollment in any practicum course.  
<sup>5</sup>Electives may include all 500-600 level graduate courses for which the pre-requisites have been met.

### SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

**First Semester**

NURS 502	3
NURS 506	<u>3</u>
Total	6

**Third Semester**

NURS 501	3
NURS 504	<u>3</u>
Total	6

**Fifth Semester**

NURS 618	3
EDUC 500	<u>3</u>
Total	6

**Seventh Semester**

NURS 620	3
Elective <sup>1</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	6

**Second Semester**

NURS 500	3
NURS 505	<u>3</u>
Total	6

**Fourth Semester**

NURS 521	3
NURS 617	<u>3</u>
Total	6

**Sixth Semester**

NURS 503	3
NURS 619	<u>3</u>
Total	6

**Notes:**

<sup>1</sup>Electives may include any 500-600 level graduate courses from the disciplines of Nursing, Accounting, Business, Counseling, Education, Human Services, Seminary, etc.