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Doctor of Nursing Practice (D.N.P.)
Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Cognate (Post-M.S.N.)
2021-2022 Degree Completion Plan

CORE COURSES (27 hours)

		Hrs	Sem	Grade
NURS 700	Advanced Nursing Research[1]	3		
NURS 715	Theoretical Application for Advanced Practice Nursing[1]	3		
NURS 716	Applications of Evidence-Based Care[1]	3		
NURS 718	Informatics, Technology & Trends for Transforming Healthcare[1]	3		
NURS 721	Leadership, Policy & Ethics[1]	3		
NURS 732	Interprofessional Collaboration & Outcomes Management for Quality[1]	3		
NURS 832	Clinical Prevention & Biostatistics[1,2]	3		
NURS 834	Healthcare Operations & Financial Management[1]	3		
NURS 836	Translational Research in Healthcare[1]	3		

PSYCHIATRIC MENTAL HEALTH NURSE PRACTITIONER COGNATE (17 hours)

		Hrs	Sem	Grade
NURS 751	Neurobiology & Differential Diagnosis of Mental Disorders[3]	3		
NURS 752	Clinical Psychopharmacology[3]	2		
NURS 753	Psychotherapeutic Theories, Frameworks & Modalities[3]	3		
NURS 754	Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum I: Adult/Gero[3,4]	4		
NURS 755	Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum II: Pediatrics/Family[3,4]	5		
NURS 821	Comprehensive Exam: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner[3,5]	0		

PROJECT & PRACTICUM COURSES (14 hours)

		Hrs	Sem	Grade
NURS 840	D.N.P. Practicum I[3,4]	2		
NURS 841	D.N.P. Practicum II[3,4]	2		
NURS 842	D.N.P. Practicum III[3,4]	2		
NURS 843	D.N.P. Practicum IV[3,4]	2		
NURS 844	D.N.P. Practicum V[3,4,6]	2		
NURS 947	Scholarly Project Planning[1]	1		
NURS 948	Scholarly Project I[1,7]	1		
NURS 949	Scholarly Project II[1,7]	1		
NURS 950	Scholarly Project Defense[1]	1		

TOTAL HOURS 58

Graduation Requirements

Complete 58 hours
A maximum of 50% of a post-graduate and doctoral degree may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
3.0 GPA
No grades lower than B may be applied to the degree
Successful completion of Comprehensive Exam
Successful completion of 1064 Practicum hours
Degree must be completed within 5 years
Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Offered in Online Format

Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met
[1]Course offered in online format
[2]NURS 832 requires a graduate level Biostatistics course as a pre-requisite. HLTH 501 will meet this requirement, if needed.
[3]Synchronous virtual class time
[4]Practicum hours required
[5]This exam is specific for Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner students and cannot be replaced by NURS 820
[6]NURS 844 may be repeated in order to allow the student more time to complete the required practicum hours. Students are able to re- enroll with the approval of the Nursing Department and enrollment must not exceed four times
[7]NURS 948 and NURS 949 may each be repeated twice to allow additional time, if needed, for the scholarly project

Suggested course sequence on second page

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester (Fall)

NURS 700[1]		3
NURS 715[1]		3
NURS 716[1]		3
	Total	9

Second Semester (Spring)

NURS 751[2]		3
NURS 718[1]		3
NURS 721[1]		3
	Total	9

Third Semester (Summer)

NURS 752[2]		2
NURS 753[2]		3
NURS 732[1]		3
	Total	8

Fourth Semester (Fall)

NURS 754[2,3]		4
NURS 832[1,4]		3
	Total	7

Fifth Semester (Spring)

NURS 836[1]		3
NURS 755[2,3]		5
	Total	8

Sixth Semester (Summer)

NURS 821[2,5]		P/F
NURS 834[1]		3
NURS 840[2,3]		2
NURS 947[1]		1
	Total	6

Seventh Semester (Fall)

NURS 841[2,3]		2
NURS 842[2,3]		2
NURS 948[1]		1
NURS 949[1]		1
	Total	6

Eighth Semester (Spring)

NURS 843[2,3]		2
NURS 844[2,3]		2
NURS 950[1]		1
	Total	5

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