

# Master of Science in Nursing Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner Field (MScN/PHC-NP)



The Master of Science in Nursing (MScN) program is a collaborative **course-based** consortium program. Students will be prepared to provide collaborative and autonomous primary health care to individuals, groups or communities, emphasizing health promotion and illness/ injury prevention. Students will develop advanced assessment, diagnostic and clinical reasoning skills in preparation for ordering and interpreting diagnostic tests, communicating diagnoses, prescribing pharmaceuticals, and performing other specific controlled procedures.

## Essential Academic Requirements

- Must have current registration with the College of Nurses of Ontario with no practice restrictions.
- Completed CNO-approved undergraduate nursing program (BScN) or equivalent nursing degree (e.g., BN, etc.)
- Equivalent of two years of direct nursing (RN) experience in the last five years (>3,640 hours) completed by the application deadline.
- Preference will be given to Ontario residents.

**Program Intake:** Annually each September

**Application Deadline:** February 1st.

**Mode of Instruction:** In Class/online/clinical placements

**Placement Locations:** Must complete clinical placements within the following locations: Windsor and the greater Windsor area, which encompasses Essex County, Chatham-Kent County and Lambton County (Sarnia region) only.

**Application:** [www.uwindsor.ca/graduate](http://www.uwindsor.ca/graduate)

**Program Length:** Two years full-time or three years part-time

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Program Curriculum Structure**

Core Courses	Additional Graduate Level Courses
NURS-8400 The Scholarship of Nursing Knowledge and Practice (Fall) NURS-8410 Evidence Utilization (Winter) NURS-8440 Improvement Science (Intersession/Summer)	NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse Practitioners (taken over 2 semesters - Fall and Winter) <b>Online course</b> NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities (taken over 2 semesters Fall and Winter) <b>Online course</b> NURS-8570 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis I (Fall) NURS-8580 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis II (Winter) NURS-8610 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care I (Fall) NURS-8620 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care II (Winter) NURS-8870 Integrative Practicum (Summer Intersession) full-time clinical

**Please note – Pathophysiology for Nurse Practitioners must be taken prior to or concurrent with Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis. Roles is a prerequisite or must be taken prior to or concurrently with Therapeutics.**

Full-time students must be registered in every term (i.e., fall, winter, spring/summer). **If the full-time student is not taking a course in the summer, they must submit an LOA.** It is recommended that full-time students complete the program within three consecutive calendar years after the students' first registration. Full-time students will pay full-time fees even if taking only one course in a semester. Nurse Practitioners must register their plan through the Ontario Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner (CRBD) website and register for the courses at the University of Windsor through UWinsite Student.

**Sample: Suggested Full-time Student Course Schedule MScN/PHC-NP**

	Fall Term	Winter Term	Intersession/Summer
Year 1	NURS-8400 The Scholarship of Nursing Knowledge and Practice  NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse Practitioners (over two terms)	NURS-8410 Evidence Utilization  NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse Practitioners (over two terms)	NURS-8440 Improvement Science
Year 2	NURS-8570 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis I  NURS-8610 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care I  NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities	NURS-8580 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis II  NURS-8620 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care II  NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities	NURS-8870 Integrative Practicum
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**\* Alternately-NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities can be taken in Intersession/Summer of year 1**

**Part-time students can only take one course per semester and are allowed one semester off per year without penalty.**

**If a part-time student does not register for a course for two consecutive semesters without completing a Leave of Absence (LOA), they must reapply and pay the application fee.**

**Sample: Suggested Part-time Student Course Schedule (1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> year part-time, 3<sup>rd</sup> year full-time)**

Transfer to full-time status- Send an email to NP Graduate Coordinator with a written request and rationale for transferring to full-time. The request will be sent to Grad Studies for approval.			
Year 1	NURS-8400 The Scholarship of Nursing Knowledge and Practice	NURS-8410 Evidence Utilization	NURS-8440 Improvement Science
Year 2	NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse Practitioners  NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities	NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse Practitioners  NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities	NURS 8870-Integrative Practicum
Transfer to full-time status- Send an email to NP Graduate Coordinator with a written request and rationale for transferring to full-time. The request will be sent to Grad Studies for approval.			
Year 3	NURS-8570 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis I  NURS-8610 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care I	NURS-8580 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis II  NURS-8620 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care II	NURS-8870 Integrative Practicum
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**NOTE: Pathophysiology for Nurse Practitioners and Roles and Responsibilities can be taken concurrently, and the student will be part-time (each course goes over two terms)**