

## Preparing Graduates for Advanced Professional Nursing Roles Addressing Student and Faculty Expectations

MASTERS NURSING STUDENT HANDBOOK

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## Welcome Greetings

The University of Windsor sits on the traditional territory of the Three Fires Confederacy of First Nations, which included the Ojibwa, the Odawa, and the Potawatomi. We respect the long-standing relationships with First Nations people in this place in the 100-mile Windsor-Essex peninsula and the straits – les detroits – of Detroit. We gratefully acknowledge that all of us (students, faculty, staff) are privileged to gather on these traditional, ancestral, unceded territories.

The Faculty of Nursing recognizes that land acknowledgments are a step towards reconciliation but that more work is required in light of the past and ongoing harms inflicted through colonization of Indigenous people and lands. As a faculty, we are in the process of learning about Indigenous practices and pedagogies, and unlearning colonial practices. In working towards reconciliation, we commit to enacting the recommendations of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and upholding the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People. We aspire to achieve health equity for all Indigenous people living on Turtle Island.

#### September 2022

#### Dear Graduate Students:

I would like to extend a warm welcome as you join the University of Windsor and the Faculty of Nursing. Graduate education offers you opportunities to challenge your thinking and understanding in collaboration with new colleagues. In the next few years, enjoy and cherish your journey that will inspire and shape your relationships, careers and contributions within complex systems.

Graduate programs in nursing prepare you for advanced roles and provide a foundation for further study at the PhD level. Your professional career with graduate education opens up diverse possibilities that create your potential for local, national and global impact. You are studying at a time when the national nursing week theme "# We Answer the Call" is evident globally in health care systems through the profound nursing impact demonstrated daily. Embrace the differences you will make with UWindsor graduate preparation. The possibilities in front of you are endless.

Congratulations on your acceptance into your program of study. I wish you success as you achieve your graduate degree in nursing. Thank you for choosing to study at the University of Windsor. I look forward to meeting you virtually or in person.

Sincerely,

Debbie Sheppard- LeMoine RN, PhD Dean, Professor



#### September 2022

#### **Dear Graduate Students:**

Welcome! I am so pleased that you have chosen the University of Windsor for the next step in your nursing career. The Faculty of Nursing offers several masters graduate programs and a PhD degree. All of our graduate programs are approved by the Ontario Council on Graduate Studies (OCGS). Our graduate programs prepare nurses for advanced professional nursing roles.

We are here to support you as you acquire new knowledge and skills, both formally within courses and informally as you make meaningful connections with your faculty and peers. We strongly encourage you to take advantage of the research presentations, career development sessions, and funding opportunities within the Faculty of Nursing and university-wide.

As the Acting Associate Dean of Graduate Programs within the Faculty of Nursing, my role is to support the Nursing graduate programs and foster student and faculty research. Please connect with me if you have academic concerns or if you are interested in identifying sources of funding for conference travel, research projects, and/or scholarship activities. The research expectations are more clearly defined for MScN and PhD students, but we encourage all students to be active participants in research and scholarship.

This handbook provides an overview of program of study structures and schedules, and the services and supports offered by Nursing, the Faculty of Graduate Studies, and the university. Also outlined are the faculty advisor expectations (i.e. what you can expect from your Faculty Advisor) and the expectations of graduate students (i.e. what we expect from you).

Please do not hesitate to contact myself, your Faculty Advisor, or Suneeta Singh with any questions that may arise.

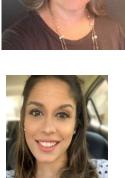
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#### September 2022

#### Dear Graduates:

Welcome, thank you for choosing the Primary Health Care **Nurse Practitioner** (PHC-**NP**) Program at the University of Windsor. The Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Program is offered through a consortium of nine universities. This unique program provides online, and face-to-face classes taught by experienced NPs. Multiple clinical placements offer a variety of hands-on experiences. The application of theory and clinical experiences build on your prior knowledge and experience as a registered nurse; this program will prepare you for your advance NP role.



As the NP Graduate Coordinator, my role within the Faculty of Nursing is to support students in the PHC-NP Program. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at morrells@uwindsor.ca

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#### Faculty of Nursing Mission, Vision, Values, Philosophy

The Faculty of Nursing approach to nursing education, practice, research, and scholarship is guided by the following mission, vision, values, and philosophy.

#### Mission

The mission of the Faculty of Nursing is to advance the health and well-being of individuals, families, communities, and populations through innovative nursing education, evidence-informed professional practice, and collaborative research and scholarship.

#### Vision

The Faculty of Nursing is recognized globally for its exceptional, socially responsible nursing professionals and transformative research that to inspires change and advances equitable health care.

#### **Values**

- Respect: We create a supportive, inclusive and safe environment; foster respect for diverse
  experiences; and build relationships characterized by kindness, compassion, and empathy.
- **Innovation:** We inspire creativity and critical inquiry and lead the generation of knowledge to advance nursing practice, health equity, and system transformation.
- **Professionalism:** We are committed to collaborative leadership and mentorship in the pursuit of knowledge and ethical, transparent, and resiliency-informed professional practice.
- Learner-centeredness: We provide exceptional learner-centered experiences and supports that inspire
  graduates to embrace and lead change in professional practice.
- Community engagement: We engage in meaningful relationships with our students, campus, and community partners to advance education, practice, research, and scholarship in a dynamic healthcare landscape.

#### **Philosophy**

The philosophy of the Faculty of Nursing at the University of Windsor is outlined in the following statements about our beliefs relative to health, individuals, nursing, learning, teaching, and environments:

**Health:** Health is a dynamic process whereby the individual, family, or group is able to realize aspirations, satisfy needs, and change or cope with the environment. Health is a resource for everyday life. It is a positive concept emphasizing social and personal resources as well as physical capacity. Health is the goal of all nursing behaviours.

- Individuals: Individuals are unique holistic persons with inherent dignity and are worthy of respect and
  care. Individuals have freedom of choice and are accountable for these choices. Individuals are capable
  of entering reciprocal caring relationships, which foster health, growth, and self-actualization.
- Nursing: Nursing is a humanistic, caring process, the goal of which is to help individuals, families, groups, and communities achieve and maintain an optimal level of health consistent with their abilities and desires. Nurses, in collaboration with members of the health team and other service providers, build on strengths and address health variations to facilitate client maturation and adaptation.

- Learning/Teaching: Learning is an individualized activity and involves learners' personal goals,
  perceptions and unique learning style. Learning is goal-oriented and an active, life-long process of
  change and development. Teaching is a facilitative process through which learners are guided and
  supported. It involves communication, clearly defined goals, appropriate learning activities and a
  climate conducive to growth. The curriculum is multi-disciplinary and aims to provide the learners with
  opportunities for intellectual and professional development.
- Environments: Environments are milieus within which individuals, families, groups, and communities strive to achieve optimal health. As human beings attempt to mature and adapt within their environments, there are dynamic interactions which can serve as a source of growth. Environments encompass psycho-social, cultural, religious, political, economic, and physical contexts which impact upon the efforts of all.

### Services and Supports You May Expect

#### **FACULTY OF NURSING**

**Toldo Health Education Centre** 

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#### Fall Term 2022 Resources for Graduate Students

The link below provides access to information about graduate courses, research, and general help, as well as resources for GAs/TAs.

https://www.uwindsor.ca/graduate-studies/

https://www.uwindsor.ca/graduate-studies/1486/resources-graduate-students

#### **Important Academic Dates**

The link below provides information about important academic calendar dates, including but not limited to those concerning course registration, course voluntary course withdrawal, tuition refunds, and thesis defense. <a href="http://www.uwindsor.ca/graduate-studies/356/important-dates">http://www.uwindsor.ca/graduate-studies/356/important-dates</a>

#### Frequently Asked Questions for Graduate Students – Faculty of Graduate Studies

An online resource containing frequently asked questions and responses that is available at:

http://www.uwindsor.ca/graduate-studies/363/current-students-faq

For example, you may find that you have questions linked to the following topics:

- Registration
- Leave of Absence from your program of study
- Grade Appeals
- Graduate Assistantship (GA) Applications
- Requesting to take courses outside those offered in the Faculty of Nursing

We recommend that you check this resource first when you have questions, as this resource is updated frequently.

#### **Graduate Student Society**

www.uwindsorgss.ca Instagram @uwindsorgss.ca

Faculty of Education Building, ext. 3915

Student Health Services

CAW Centre, ext. 7002

#### **Personal Counselling Services**

The Student Counselling Centre staff offer personal counselling to currently registered students in the form of crisis intervention, brief therapy, groups, case management, and workshops. Appointments can be made through the Student Counselling Center 519-253-3000 ext. 4616 for the Clinical Therapist for the Faculty of Nursing. Further information can be found at: <a href="http://www.uwindsor.ca/studentcounselling/">http://www.uwindsor.ca/studentcounselling/</a>

Nursing Clinical Therapist: Laura Little Room 201A – ext. 4388

#### **Wellness Outreach Office**

Here you can find everything you need to live well on campus and access the resources available to you to support you in maintaining your wellbeing, mental health and balance during your university career and to set you up for success in life.

#### Ask.uwindsor.ca

Search "knowledge articles" for information on common questions.

#### Information Technology (IT Services)

Information Technology (IT) Services Computer Help Desk (ITS)

ext. 4440

Information Technology Services Help and Support available at:

https://uwindsor.teamdynamix.com/TDClient/1975/Portal/Requests/ServiceCatalog

#### Computer/Technology Requirements for Online Learning

http://ask.uwindsor.ca/app/answers/detail/a id/688/kw/internet

#### UWinsite: https://www.uwindsor.ca/registrar/uwinsite-student

Certain graduate student requests are approved through UWinsite Student as <u>Service Requests</u> that are initiated by the graduate student.

Students who wish to request the following need to submit a Service Request to obtain approval:

- apply for a leave of absence
- apply for a course substitution
- submit a thesis/dissertation committee form
- request an PhD external examiner
- apply for a time limit extension

#### **Instructions for students:**

- 1. Visit the Faculty of Graduate Studies website at <a href="http://www.uwindsor.ca/graduate-studies/">http://www.uwindsor.ca/graduate-studies/</a>
- 2. Click Current Students
- 3. On the left-side of the page, click **Student Forms**
- 4. Select the appropriate form
- 5. Complete and save the form
- 6. The completed form gets submitted as a <u>Service Request</u>

#### **Software Distribution**

IT Services uses the <u>Software Depot</u> for Software Distribution. By logging into the Software Depot with your UWin ID and password, all software that is available to you can be ordered. After ordering the desired software, there are multiple options for delivery, including downloads, when appropriate, pick up at the Operations Desk in the University Computer Centre, free delivery on campus via inter-campus mail, or mailed off campus for a nominal fee.

#### **Leddy Library Graduate Study Carrels**

- Only for full-time graduate students
- Those interested must have their name put on the waiting list at the Leddy Library <u>Circulation Desk</u>

#### **Leddy Library Services for Graduate Students**

http://leddy.uwindsor.ca/services-graduate-students

#### **Writing Support Desk**

http://www.uwindsor.ca/success/writingsupportdesk

#### **Nursing Librarian**

Mr. Adam Mulcaster, Nursing Librarian, Information Services

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#### **Awards and Scholarships**

Please review the awards and scholarships. Some require applications; others are awarded.

http://www.uwindsor.ca/graduate-studies/456/scholarships-and-awards

http://www.uwindsor.ca/nursing/342/graduate-student-awards

Academic Counselling by an Academic Advisor (see Faculty Advisor Expectations)

# Graduate Program Structures and Schedules You May Expect

- I. Master of Nursing Program (MN)
- II. Master of Nursing Nurse Practitioner (MN/NP) Program
- III. Master of Science in Nursing Program (MScN)
- IV. Nurse Practitioner (NP) Graduate Diploma Primary Health Care Program
- V. Master of Nursing Program (For students with completed Nurse Practitioner Certificate)

Please Note: See Appendices for Sample Course Schedules for all Nursing Graduate Programs

**Note**: Part-time students can **only** be registered in **one course per semester**. Students registered in two courses or more per semester will be considered full-time. **All students will be full-time when taking the NURS-8910 Advanced Professional Nursing Practicum course**.

A variety of graduate *nursing electives* are offered on a rotating basis. Students requiring electives are encouraged to take courses from other fields. For example, if you are registered in the MN Advanced Practice field, you may take elective Leadership courses if there are openings. However, students in the field have priority for registering for these courses.

#### **Course descriptions are available at:**

http://web4.uwindsor.ca/units/registrar/calendars/graduate/cur.nsf/982f0e5f06b5c9a285256d6e006cff78/85b25b2018ded4bd85257369005e00a4!OpenDocument

#### I. Master of Nursing Program

The Master in Nursing (MN) program is a course-based degree program. Students complete **10 courses**. There are three specialization/field options (See Appendix 1):

#### **Advanced Clinical Practice Nursing Field**

In the Advanced Clinical Nursing field students will explore the human experience of health, well-being, illness and healing within the context of individuals, families, groups and communities. Selected concepts such as health promotion, illness prevention, stress appraisal, and coping resources will be examined through critical appraisal of the literature in nursing and related disciplines. Students will have the opportunity to develop evidence-based knowledge and skills required to manage the complex health needs of Canada's multicultural population through health promotion and illness prevention or adaptation to illness and injury.

#### OR

#### **Nursing Leadership Field**

In the Nursing Leadership field students will explore concepts of contemporary nursing leadership in management, research and education. Students will critically appraise and synthesize a variety of educational, environmental, and political issues that influence the Canadian health care system. Students will have the opportunity to develop skills necessary to impact policy and decision-making relevant to the profession of nursing, in particular, and the health care system in general.

#### OR

#### II. Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner (NP) Field

In the primary health care nurse practitioner field, students will be prepared to provide collaborative and autonomous primary health care to individuals, groups or communities, with an emphasize on health promotion as well as 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. (See Appendix 2)

#### **Degree Requirements/Schedule**

All students (regardless of field) must take 3 core courses:

- NURS-8810 Theoretical Foundations in Nursing (normally in Fall semester)
- NURS-8830 Research Methods in Nursing (normally in Fall semester and Summer semester)
- NURS-8820 Advanced Statistics (normally in Winter semester)

Students in MN Advanced Clinical Practice or leadership Fields must take 2 courses from their field of practice:

- Advanced Clinical Practice Field:
  - NURS-8850 Health of Individuals, Families and Groups (normally in Winter semester)
  - NURS-8860 Community and Population Health (normally in Fall semester)

OR

- Nursing Leadership Field:
  - NURS-8880 Theoretical Foundations of Leadership (normally in Winter semester)
  - NURS-8890 Innovations in Nursing Leadership (normally offered in Fall semester)

#### **AND**

- 4 elective courses:
  - 2 graduate level nursing electives (offered Fall, Winter and/or Inter/summer)
  - 2 graduate level electives from any faculty, including nursing (based on course offerings)

#### AND

NURS-8910 – Advanced Professional Nursing Practicum (normally offered in Winter semester). Note:
 This course is a full-time course. Students who are part-time will automatically become full-time for the semester in which they take this course.

Students in the **Nurse Practitioner Field** take 7 additional field courses:

- NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse Practitioners (2 semester course fall and winter or summer)
- NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities (2 semester course)
- NURS-8570 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis I (Fall semester)
- NURS-8580 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis II (Winter semester)
- NURS-8610 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care I (Fall semester)
- NURS-8620 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care II (Winter semester)
- NURS-8870 Integrative Practicum (Summer runs 12 weeks from May-August)

#### III. Master of Science in Nursing Program

The Master of Science in Nursing (MScN) is a thesis-based degree program, and has two specialization/field options (see Appendix 3).

#### 1) Advanced Clinical Practice Nursing Field

In the Advanced Clinical Nursing field students will explore the human experience of health, well-being, illness and healing within the context of individuals, families, groups and communities. Selected concepts such as health promotion, illness prevention, stress appraisal, and coping resources will be examined through critical appraisal of the literature in nursing and related disciplines. Students will have the opportunity to develop evidence-based knowledge and skills required to manage the complex health needs of Canada's multicultural population through health promotion and illness prevention or adaptation to illness and injury.

#### OR

#### 2) Nursing Leadership Field

In the Nursing Leadership field students will explore concepts of contemporary nursing leadership in management, research and education. Students will critically appraise and synthesize a variety of educational, environmental, and political issues that influence the Canadian health care system. Students will have the opportunity to develop skills necessary to impact policy and decision-making relevant to the profession of nursing, in particular, and the health care system in general.

#### **Course Requirements/Schedule:**

The **Master of Science Degree in Nursing (MScN)** is thesis based requiring the completion of 6 courses and a thesis.

#### 4 Core Nursing Courses:

- NURS-8810 Theoretical Foundations in Nursing (Offered in Fall semester)
- NURS-8830 Research Methods in Nursing (Offered in Fall and Summer semester)
- NURS-8820 Advanced Statistics (Offered in Winter semester)
- NURS-8910 Advanced Professional Nursing Practicum (Offered in Winter semester) Note: This course
  is a full-time course so for students who are part-time, you will automatically become full-time for this
  semester only

#### 2 Field Courses from their field of practice:

#### • Advanced Clinical Practice Field:

- NURS-8850 Health of Individuals, Families and Groups (normally offered in Winter semester)
- NURS-8860 Community and Population Health (Offered in Fall semester)

#### OR

#### Nursing Leadership Field:

- NURS-8880 Theoretical Foundations of Leadership (Offered in Winter semester)
- NURS-8890 Innovations in Nursing Leadership (Offered in Fall semester)

#### Thesis

- NURS-8970 Thesis
- See Graduate Student Blackboard site for Thesis Resource Guide

#### IV. Nurse Practitioner (NP) Graduate Diploma Primary Health Care Program

This program is <u>only</u> for students who have a <u>completed</u> BScN (or equivalent nursing degree, e.g. BN), with a current Registered Nurse (RN) status, <u>and a completed</u> Master's degree (Nursing or health related degree preferred). (see Appendix 4)

#### **Course Requirements:**

Courses can be completed within 1 year of full-time study.

- NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse Practitioners (2 semester course Fall and Winter or Summer)
- NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities (2 semester course Fall and Winter)
- NURS-8570 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis I (Fall semester)
- NURS-8580 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis II (Winter semester)
- NURS-8610 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care I (Fall semester)
- NURS-8620 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care II (Winter semester)
- NURS-8870 Integrative Practicum (Summer runs 12 weeks from May-August)

## V. Master of Nursing Program (For those students who have a completed Nurse Practitioner Certificate)

This program is <u>only</u> for students who have a **completed** Nurse Practitioner Certificate, a **completed** BScN, with a current Registered Nurse (RN) status. (see Appendix 5)

#### **Course Requirements:**

- NURS-8810 Theoretical Foundations in Nursing (Fall semester)
- NURS-8820 –Advanced Statistics (Winter semester)
- NURS-8830 Research Methods in Nursing (offered Fall and Summer)
- Two additional Nursing graduate level courses.

## **Expectations of Graduate Students**

#### **Graduate Student Professionalism Expectations**

- 1. Students of the Faculty of Nursing are expected to adhere to all College of Nurses of Ontario practice standards including but not limited to the *Code of Conduct, Ethics*, and *Professional Standards, Revised 2002* in all interactions with peers, community partners, faculty, and staff. Failure of any nursing student to conform to the principles of these documents may result in dismissal from any of the Faculty of Nursing programs at the University of Windsor.
- 2. To compliment your professional development, a variety of scholarly activities are held each year. Your attendance and participation is considered integral to both the program and your preparation for advanced nursing practice. The dates, times, and links to attend these scholarly activities will be emailed to you from the nursing office given the pandemic restrictions.
- 3. Only your Uwindsor email address must be used when corresponding with faculty and staff.
- 4. You may wish to indicate that you are studying toward a Masters degree in an e-mail signature. The permitted Masters student designation following your name is either (MN student) or (MScN student). The designation (c) [for candidate] is **not** used for MN or MScN students.

#### **Graduate Student Academic Integrity Expectations**

**Definition of Plagiarism:** "the act of copying, reproducing or paraphrasing portions of someone else's published or unpublished material (from any source, including the internet), without proper acknowledgement. Plagiarism applies to all intellectual endeavours: creation and presentation of music, drawings, designs, dance, photography and other artistic and technical works. In the case of oral presentations, the use of material that is not one's own, without proper acknowledgment or attribution, constitutes plagiarism and, hence, academic dishonesty. (Students have the responsibility to learn and use the conventions of documentation as accepted in their area of study.)"(Student Code of Conduct)

The University of Windsor Faculty of Nursing highly values student demonstration of intellectual honesty that is integral to academic integrity (Senate Bylaw 31 Academic Integrity, n.d.; Graduate Studies Policy on Plagiarism ([GSSP], n.d.). Academic integrity links to the Faculty of Nursing Mission and Vision (through emphasis on scholarship) and embodies faculty values (professionalism and respect). All students enrolled in all University of Windsor Faculty of Nursing graduate programs are expected to review and adhere to <a href="Bylaw 31: Academic Integrity">Bylaw 31: Academic Integrity</a>, the <a href="Graduate Studies Policy on Plagiarism">Graduate Policy on Authorship</a>. Academic integrity learning resources are available through the <a href="Office of Academic Integrity">Office of Academic Integrity</a>.

Further, "It is not permissible for an essay or other paper to be submitted twice. It is expected that a thesis, essay, paper or report has not been, and is not concurrently being, submitted to any other Faculty or University for credit toward any degree, or to this University for any other course" (GSPP, para 5, n.d.).

#### **Use of Plagiarism-Detection Software**

The University believes in the right of all students to be part of a University community where academic integrity is expected, maintained, enforced, and safeguarded; it expects that all students will be evaluated and

graded on their own individual work; it recognizes that students often have to use the ideas of others as expressed in written, published, or unpublished work in the preparation of essays, assignments, reports, theses, and publications. However, it expects that both the data and ideas obtained from any and all published or unpublished material will be properly acknowledged and sources disclosed. Failure to follow this practice constitutes plagiarism. This is important because anyone demonstrating dishonesty, cheating, or plagiarism in relation to any aspect of courses offered in the Faculty of Nursing graduate programs will receive a failing grade. The University, through the availability of plagiarism-detection software, desires to encourage responsible student behaviour, prevent plagiarism, improve student learning, and ensure greater accountability (Senate Policy on Plagiarism Detection Software, Appendix A)

#### References

- Bylaw 31: Academic Integrity
- Graduate Studies Policy on Plagiarism
- Senate Policy on Authorship
- Senate Policy on Plagiarism Detection Software, Appendix A
- Student Code of Conduct

#### **Graduate Student Coursework Expectations**

Fall 2022 and Winter 2023 classes will be delivered online (with the exception of some NP courses). The course of the pandemic may shape course delivery beyond the Fall 2022 semester in ways that we cannot yet predict.

#### **Tips for On-line Learning**

#### **Computer/Technology Requirements for Online Learning**

http://ask.uwindsor.ca/app/answers/detail/a\_id/688/kw/internet

#### Typical workload for an online course

http://ask.uwindsor.ca/app/answers/detail/a\_id/628

#### Instructional and Evaluation Methods

During your graduate studies you can expect to engage in a variety of different instructional and evaluation methods in order to meet the particular learning outcomes of courses in which you are registered. Some examples of diverse instructional methods include but are not limited to individual work, work in pairs and/or teams, synchronous and/or asynchronous online class work, face-to-face class work, work outside of class, in-class work, readings assigned in advance of class, student presentations, student seminar facilitation, and boot camps held outside of regular class hours. These instructional methods often include activities requiring active class participation. Some examples of diverse evaluation methods include but are not limited to instructor graded written assignments (paper, annotated bibliography, professional quality assurance report), take home assignments, in-class tests, take home exams, graded presentations, and graded seminar facilitation. Some evaluation methods also include a peer evaluation component.

The outlined instructional methods are likely significantly different than those you have experienced in your previous university education. You are responsible for your own learning. Specifically, graduate students in the Faculty of Nursing are expected to thoroughly prepare in advance of classes and actively participate during classes. Workload for graduate courses has historically been estimated at 2 to 3 hours

per credit hour. This equates to 6 to 9 hours per week for a 3-credit course that you can expect to devote to advance class preparation and course assignments.

#### **Other Graduate Student Coursework Expectations**

- 1. Course class attendance is the expectation. Out of respect for your professor and classmates, please notify your professor in advance if there is a class that you are unable to attend.
- 2. Course assignments may be submitted to a plagiarism detection software program (e.g. SafeAssign).
- 3. No supplemental examination or assignments will be offered.
- 4. Faculty of Nursing policy prevails for assignments submitted past deadline without approval (5 percent deduction per day).
- 5. The minimum grade for successful completion of all graduate courses is 70%. Please see Senate Bylaw 55

Please participate in course evaluations during the final two weeks of class in accordance with Senate policy. As we value your feedback, we encourage you to take the time to complete these forms. Instructions for accessing and completing SET forms can be found here:

http://ask.uwindsor.ca/app/answers/detail/a id/176/kw/student%20evaluation%20of%20teaching
Reference: Senate Policy on Student Evaluations of Teaching and Mandatory Administration of SET Forms

#### **Nurse Practitioner Program Clinical Expectations**

During your time in the MN/NP program here at the University of Windsor, you will have clinical placement within the **University of Windsor NP catchment area** (see map below). It is your responsibility to ensure you have transportation to your clinical placements. Students at the University of Windsor **ARE NOT ALLOWED** to contact nurse practitioner preceptors to find their own placements. The NP program placement coordinator will assign you to a clinical placement that best meets your needs to be successful in the program. This will ensure that you are as prepared as possible for this exciting new career as an NP in Canada or the United States.

During clinical placement students will follow their preceptors' clinical schedule to acquire the required clinical hours (see hours below). Every attempt will be made to ensure that all students get as many face-to-face clinical hours as possible.

Program continuation is contingent upon appropriate ethical behavior and personal suitability for clinical work according to criteria and procedures developed for program. Students are expected to take responsibility for meeting all Faculty of Nursing clinical placement policy requirements and for conforming to any additional agency-specific policies. Students will be denied access to a clinical placement site if they fail to be cleared for clinical placement including site specific orientation and vaccination requirements. The Faculty of Nursing is not responsible for providing an alternative clinical experience for students who do not meet the requirements.

The number of clinical hours for a PHCNP student per course are as follows:

Advanced Health Assessment & Diagnosis 1 - ~78 hours

Advanced Health Assessment & Diagnosis 2 - ~78 hours

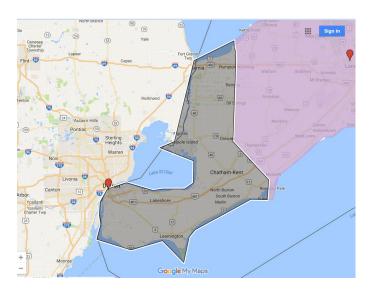
Therapeutics 1 - ~78 hours

Therapeutics 2 - ~78 hours

Integrative Practicum - ~416 hours

Total - ~728 clinical hours

Please Note: You are required to have BayShore and Police (Vulnerable Sector) clearances before starting any clinical placement (information provided at mandatory orientation).



## **Faculty Advisor Expectations**

#### **Academic Counselling by an Academic Advisor**

All master's students will have a faculty advisor assigned in the fall of their first year, by the Graduate Coordinator. The Faculty Advisor will guide the student through the program. The faculty advisor is responsible for meeting with the student during the first term in the program and then on a regular basis based on the needs of the student (i.e. every term or every 6 months). It is recommended that at a minimum, Faculty Advisor and student should meet at the start and end of the school year.

The faculty advisor's responsibilities will include:

- i. Guiding the student with course selection and plan for degree completion
- ii. Counselling the student on changes to the course plan (e.g., change from part time to full time; leave of absence requests) and providing rationale to Graduate Coordinator who will be responsible for contacting Graduate Studies for approval of requests
- iii. Providing student with appraisal of progress.
- iv. For MScN (thesis) students: The Faculty Advisor should include a discussion on plan for thesis (potential topic, research question and timelines) with a goal of assisting students to complete their thesis in a timely manner. The Faculty Advisor may transition to become supervisor or support student in finding an appropriate supervisor. The Faculty supervisor must have graduate faculty status.
- v. Completing Nursing Faculty Advisor form with student at minimum annually. The form is kept in the student's file in the faculty advisor's office until submission to Graduate Secretary by May 31<sup>st</sup> of each year.

Students are responsible for downloading, partially completing, and either bringing the Nursing Faculty Advisor Form to each faculty advisor or supervisor meeting or sending it by e-mail to the Faculty Advisor or supervisor in advance of an online meeting. The form may be downloaded through the following link: <a href="https://www.uwindsor.ca/nursing/345/resources-current-students">https://www.uwindsor.ca/nursing/345/resources-current-students</a>



#### NURSING FACULTY ADVISOR FORM

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## **Appendices**



#### Appendix 1 - Master of Nursing (MN) Program Curriculum Structure

NURS-8810 Theoretical Foundations in Nursing (Fall)		Four additional graduate level courses. Two must be nursing
NURS-8830 Research Methods in Nursing (Fall or		courses, two courses from another faculty (or can be nursing).
Intersession/Summer)		Students can use the courses in the other field to fulfill this
NURS-8820 Advanced Statistics (Winter)		requirement.
NURS-8910 Advanced Professional Nursing Practicum (Winter)		
Nursing Leadership Field		Advanced Practice Field
NURS-8880 Theoretical Foundations of Leadership (Winter)		NURS-8850 Health of Individuals, Families and Groups (Winter)
NURS-8890 Innovations in Nursing Leadership (Fall)	OR	NURS-8860 Community and Population Health (Fall)

#### Sample: Full-time Student Course Schedule

Full time students must be registered in every term i.e., fall, winter, spring/summer. The four additional graduate level courses can be taken any time throughout the two years. Graduate level courses vary each semester. Full-time students must complete the program within three consecutive calendar years after the student's first registration. Full-time students will pay full-time fees even if taking only one course in a semester.

Fall		Winter	Spring/Summer
	NURS-8810 Theoretical Foundations of	NURS-8820 Advanced Statistics	Two graduate level courses
Year 1	Nursing		(Nursing or another faculty)
		NURS-8880 Theoretical Foundations of	
	NURS-8830 Research Methods in	Leadership	
	Nursing	OR	
		NURS-8850 Health of Individuals, Families	
		and Groups	
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Year 2	NURS-8890 Innovations in Nursing	NURS-8910 Advanced Professional Nursing	Convocation June session
	Leadership	Practicum	
	OR		OR take remaining Graduate level
	NURS-8860 Community and Population	Graduate level course Elective	courses and Convocation would be
	Health		October session.
	Graduate level course Elective		

#### **Sample: Part-time Student Course Schedule**

Part-time students can take only one course per semester. Part-time students 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 having completed a Leave of Absence (LOA), they must reapply and pay the application fee. It is recommended that part-time students complete the program within three and a half years and do not exceed the five consecutive year time limit.

	Fall	Winter	Spring/Summe	r
Year 1	NURS-8810 Theoretical Foundations of Nursing	NURS-8820 Advanced Statistics	NURS-8830	Research Methods in Nursing
		NURS-8880 Theoretical Foundations of		
Year 2	Graduate level course	Leadership		Graduate level course
		OR		
		NURS-8850 Health of Individuals, Families and		
		Groups		
Year 3	NURS-8890 Innovations in Nursing	NURS-8910 Advanced Professional Nursing		
	Leadership	Practicum		Graduate level course
	OR	(All students are required to be full-		
	NURS-8860 Community and Population Health	time when taking NURS-8910)		
	Health			
Year 4	Graduate level course	Convocation June session		

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#### Appendix 2 - Master of Nursing Nurse Practitioner Field (MN/NP) Program Curriculum Structure

NURS-8810 Theoretical Foundations in Nursing (Fall)	NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse Practitioners (taken over 2
NURS-8820 Advanced Statistics (Winter)	semesters – Fall and Winter) Online course
NURS-8830 Research Methods in Nursing	NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities (taken over 2 semesters - Fall
(Fall and Intersession/Summer)	and Winter) Online course
	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 (May – August) full-time clinical

<sup>\*</sup> 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 concurrently with Therapeutics.

#### Sample: Full-time Student Course Schedule

Full time students must be registered in every term i.e. fall, winter, spring/summer. It is recommended that full-time students complete the program within three consecutive calendar years after the student's 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 (CRDB) website, in addition to registering for the courses at the University of Windsor through UWinsite Student.

Fall		Winter	Spring/Summer
Year 1	NURS-8810 Theoretical Foundations of	NURS-8820 Advanced Statistics	NURS-8830 Research Methods in Nursing
	Nursing		
	NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse	NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse	
	Practitioners	Practitioners	
Year 2	NURS-8570 Advanced Health	NURS-8580 Advanced Health Assessment and	NURS-8870 Integrative Practicum
	Assessment and Diagnosis I	Diagnosis II	
	NURS-8610 Therapeutics in Primary	NURS-8620 Therapeutics in Primary Health	
	Health Care I	Care II	
	NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities	NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities	
	Convocation October session		

#### Sample: Part-time Student Course Schedule (1st year part-time, 2nd and 3rd year full-time)

Part-time students can take only one course per semester. Part-time students 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 having completed a Leave of Absence (LOA), they must reapply and pay the application fee.

It is recommended that part-time students complete the program within three years and do not exceed the five consecutive year time limit.

	Fall	Winter	Spring/Sum	nmer
Year 1	NURS-8810 Theoretical Foundations of Nursing	NURS-8820 Advanced Statistics	NURS-8830	Research Methods in Nursing
Cor	mplete change of status form to switch to	full-time obtained through NP Graduate Coordi	inator	
	NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse	NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse		
Year 2	Practitioners	Practitioners		Complete a Leave of Absence
	NURS-8570 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis I	NURS-8580 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis II		Form through Graduate Studies
Year 3	NURS-8610 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care I NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities	NURS-8620 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care II  NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities	NURS- 8870	Integrative Practicum
	Convocation October session			

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#### Appendix 3 - Master of Science in Nursing (MScN) Program Curriculum Structure



Core Courses		Thesis
NURS-8810 Theoretical Foundations in Nursing (Fall)		
NURS-8830 Research Methods in Nursing (Fall or		NURS-8970 Thesis * (Must have a supervisor prior to registering in
Intersession/Summer)		the thesis course).
NURS-8820 Advanced Statistics (Winter)		
NURS-8910 Advanced Professional Nursing Practicum (Winter)		
NURS-8910 Advanced Professional Nursing Practicum (Winter)		
NURS-8910 Advanced Professional Nursing Practicum (Winter)  Nursing Leadership Field		Advanced Practice Field
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	OR	Advanced Practice Field  NURS-8850 Health of Individuals, Families and Groups (Winter)  NURS-8860 Community and Population Health (Fall)

#### **Sample: Full-time Student Course Schedule**

Full time students must be registered in every term i.e., fall, winter, spring/summer. Full-time students must complete the program within three consecutive calendar years after the student's first registration. Full-time students will pay full-time fees even if taking only one course in a semester. Students must register for the Thesis (NURS-8970) when they begin working with their advisor and using university resources.

Fall		Winter	Spring/Summe	r
		NURS-8820 Advanced Statistics		
Year 1	NURS-8810 Theoretical Foundations of		NURS-8970	Thesis * (see above)
	Nursing	NURS-8880 Theoretical Foundations of		
		Leadership		
	NURS-8830 Research Methods in	OR		
	Nursing	NURS-8850 Health of Individuals, Families and		
		Groups		

	NURS-8890 Innovations in Nursing	NURS-8910 Advanced Professional Nursing	NURS-8970 Thesis *
Year 2	Leadership	Practicum	
	OR		
	NURS-8860 Community and Population	NURS-8970 Thesis *	
	Health		
	NURS-8970 Thesis *		
	Convocation October session		
	Convocation October session		

#### **Sample: Part-time Student Course Schedule**

Part-time students can take only one course per semester. Part-time students 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 having completed a Leave of Absence (LOA), they must reapply and pay the application fee.

It is recommended that part-time students complete the program within three and a half years and do not exceed the five consecutive year time limit. Students must register for the Thesis (NURS-8970) when they begin working with their advisor and using university resources.

	Fall	Winter	Spring/Summer
Year 1	NURS-8810 Theoretical Foundations of Nursing	NURS-8820 Advanced Statistics	
Year 2	NURS-8830 Research Methods in Nursing	NURS-8880 Theoretical Foundations of Leadership	
		OR NURS-8850 Health of Individuals, Families	

Year 3	NURS-8890 Innovations in Nursing Leadership OR	NURS-8910 Advanced Professional Nursing Practicum	NURS-8970	Thesis *
	NURS-8860 Community and Population Health	(All students are required to be full-time when taking NURS-8910)		
Year 4	NURS-8970 Thesis *	NURS-8970 Thesis *		Convocation June session

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#### **Appendix 4 - Nurse Practitioner Graduate Diploma Program Curriculum Structure**



\* This program is for students who already have their Master's Degree in Nursing

Therapeutics in Primary Health Care I (Fall) Therapeutics in Primary Health Care II (Winter) Integrative Practicum (May – August) full-time clinical
O Integrative Practicum (May – August) full-time clinical

<sup>\*</sup> 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 concurrently with Therapeutics.

#### Sample: One Year Full-time Student Course Schedule

Full time students must be registered in every term i.e. fall, winter, spring/summer. Full-time students must complete the program within three consecutive calendar years after the student's 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 (CRDB) website, in addition to registering for the courses at the University of Windsor through UWinsite Student.

Fall		Winter	Spring/Summe	er
	NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse	NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse	NURS-8870	Integrative Practicum
Year 1	Practitioners	Practitioners		
	NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities	NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities		
	NURS-8570 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis I	NURS-8580 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis II		
	NURS-8610 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care I	NURS-8620 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care II		
	Convocation October session			

#### Sample: Two Year Full-time Student Course Schedule

Full time students must be registered in every term i.e. fall, winter, spring/summer. Full-time students must complete the program within three consecutive calendar years after the student's 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 (CRDB) website, in addition to registering for the courses at the University of Windsor through UWinsite Student.

	Fall	Winter	Spring/Summer
	NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse	NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse	
Year 1	Practitioners	Practitioners	Complete a Leave of Absence
	NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities	NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities	Form through Graduate Studies

Year 2	NURS-8570 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis I	NURS-8580 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis II	NURS-8870	Integrative Practicum
	NURS-8610 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care I	NURS-8620 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care II		
	Convocation October session			

#### Sample: Two year full-time Student Course Schedule

Full time students must be registered in every term i.e. fall, winter, spring/summer. Full-time students must complete the program within three consecutive calendar years after the student's 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 (CRDB) website, in addition to registering for the courses at the University of Windsor through UWinsite Student.

	Fall	Winter	Spring/Summer
	NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse	NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse	Complete a Leave of Absence Form through
Year 1	Practitioners	Practitioners	Graduate Studies
	NURS-8570 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis I	NURS-8580 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis II	
Year 2	NURS-8610 Therapeutics in Primary	NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities NURS-8620 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care II	NURS-8870 Integrative Practicum
	Convocation October session		

#### Sample: Two years Part-time, One year Full-time Student Course Schedule

Part-time students can take only one course per semester. Part-time students 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 having completed a Leave of Absence (LOA) form, they must reapply and pay the application fee.

It is recommended that part-time students complete the program within three years and do not exceed the five consecutive year time limit. Nurse Practitioners must register their plan through the Ontario Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner (CRDB) website, in addition to registering for the courses at the University of Windsor through UWinsite Student.

	Fall	Winter	Spring/Su	mmer
Year 1	NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse	NURS-8500 Pathophysiology for Nurse		
	Practitioners	Practitioners		
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Year 2	NURS-8570 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis I	NURS-8580 Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnosis II		
Year 3	NURS-8610 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care I  NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities	NURS-8620 Therapeutics in Primary Health Care II  NURS-8520 Roles and Responsibilities	NURS- 8870	Integrative Practicum (must be taken full-time – will be paying full-time fees)
	Convocation October session			

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#### Appendix 5 - Master of Nursing Program Curriculum Structure for students who already have their Nurse Practitioner Certificate

\* This program is for students who already have their Nurse Practitioner Certificate

Core MN Courses	Additional Nursing Graduate Level Courses
NURS-8810 Theoretical Foundations in Nursing (Fall) NURS-8820 Advanced Statistics (Winter)	Two additional Nursing graduate level courses.
NURS-8830 Research Methods in Nursing	
(Fall or Intersession/Summer)	

#### Sample: Full-time Student Course Schedule

Full time students must be registered in every term i.e. fall, winter, spring/summer. Full-time students will pay full-time fees even if taking only one course in a semester. Graduate level courses vary each semester.

Fall		Winter	Spring/Summer
Year 1	NURS-8810 Theoretical Foundations of Nursing	NURS-8820 Advanced Statistics	NURS-8830 Research Methods in Nursing
	Nursing graduate level course	Nursing graduate level course	
	Convocation October session		

#### **Sample: Part-time Student Course Schedule**

Part-time students can take only one course per semester. Part-time students 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 having completed a Leave of Absence (LOA), they must reapply and pay the application fee.

It is recommended that part-time students complete the program within two years.

Fall		Winter	Spring/Summer
Year 1	NURS-8810 Theoretical Foundations of	NURS-8820 Advanced Statistics	NURS-8830
	Nursing		Research Methods in Nursing
Year 2	Nursing graduate level course	Nursing graduate level course	Convocation June session