



MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING DEGREE (MSN) & GRADUATE CERTIFICATES IN NURSING

SAMPLE CURRICULUM PLAN – ONLINE EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 2014

MSN CORE COURSES

YEAR 1	SEMESTER 1		SEMESTER 2		SEMESTER 3	
Session I	NR-500: Foundational Concepts & Applications	Credits 3	NR-512: Fundamentals of Nursing Informatics	Credits 3	NR-505: Advanced Research Methods: Evidence-Based Practice	Credits 3
Session II	NR-501: Theoretical Basis for Advanced Nursing Practice	Credits 3	NR-504: Leadership & Nursing Practice: Role Development (Executive, Educator, Healthcare Policy and Informatics Specialty Tracks only) or NR-510: Leadership and Role Development of the Advanced Practice Nurse (FNP Specialty Track only)	Credits 3	NR-506: Healthcare Policy	Credits 3
	Semester Hours: 6 Credits		Semester Hours: 6 Credits		Semester Hours: 6 Credits	

Total Credit Hours: 18

NOTE: The order in which students take MSN core courses may differ based on specialty track selection.

EDUCATOR SPECIALTY TRACK

YEAR 2	SEMESTER 1		SEMESTER 2		SEMESTER 3	
Session I	NR-521: Theoretical Functions of Teaching and Learning* or NR-526: Advanced Pathophysiology, Health Assessment, and Pharmacology for Nurse Educators**	Credits 3	NR-522: Instructional Methods* or NR-525: Theoretical Foundations and Instructional Strategies in Teaching and Learning**	Credits 3	NR-620: Education Practicum	Credits 3
Session II	NR-524: Curriculum Development	Credits 3	NR-523: Assessment & Evaluation Techniques in Education	Credits 3	NR-660: Capstone	Credits 3
	Semester Hours: 6 Credits		Semester Hours: 6 Credits		Semester Hours: 6 Credits	

Total Credit Hours: 18[†]

Total MSN Core & Educator Specialty Track Credit Hours = 36[†]

NURSING EDUCATION GRADUATE CERTIFICATE OPTION: WITH OR WITHOUT PRACTICUM

	SEMESTER 1		SEMESTER 2		SEMESTER 3	
Session I	NR-521: Theoretical Functions of Teaching and Learning* or NR-526: Advanced Pathophysiology, Health Assessment, and Pharmacology for Nurse Educators**	Credits 3	NR-522: Instructional Methods* or NR-525: Theoretical Foundations and Instructional Strategies in Teaching and Learning**	Credits 3	NR-620: Education Practicum	Credits 3
Session II	NR-524: Curriculum Development	Credits 3	NR-523: Assessment & Evaluation Techniques in Education	Credits 3	Total Certificate Program Credit Hours: 15/12[†]	
	Semester Hours: 6 Credits		Semester Hours: 6 Credits		<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; width: 20px; height: 20px; margin-right: 5px;"></div> <div style="margin-right: 10px;">Optional Practicum</div> <div style="font-size: small;">Semesters: 2.5 full-time with practicum (15 credit hours), 2 full-time without practicum (12 credit hours)</div> </div>	

* Course availability limited to students enrolled prior to the September 2014 session start.

** NR-525 will be available November 2014; NR-526 will be available January 2015.

† Students enrolled prior to the September 2014 session start and who have already completed NR-521 and/or NR-522, may elect to take NR-525 and/or NR-526 as additional credit hours, increasing their total degree program credit hours: MSN Core & Educator Specialty Track credit hours = 39-42; Nursing Education Graduate Certificate option credit hours (with/without practicum) = 18-21/15-18.

EXECUTIVE SPECIALTY TRACK

YEAR 2	SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2	SEMESTER 3
Session I	MGMT-550: Managerial Communication* or NR-531: Nursing Leadership in Healthcare Organizations** Credits 3	MGMT-591: Leadership & Organizational Behavior* or NR-533: Financial Management in Healthcare Organizations** Credits 3	NR-630: Executive Practicum Credits 3
Session II	HRM-587: Managing Organizational Change* or NR-532: Healthcare Operational Planning and Management** Semester Hours: 6 Credits Credits 3	MGMT-330: Organizational Decision Making* or NR-534: Healthcare Systems Management** Semester Hours: 6 Credits Credits 3	NR-660: Capstone Semester Hours: 6 Credits Credits 3

Total Credit Hours: 18[†]

Total MSN Core & Executive Specialty Track Credit Hours = 36[†]

DeVry University's Keller Graduate School of Management Master of Business Administration (MBA)
 Students must have completed the Chamberlain MSN degree program executive specialty track and be accepted to DeVry University's Keller Graduate School of Management prior to beginning their MBA Track courses.



MSN/MBA EXECUTIVE OPTION

	Credits		Credits		Credits		Credits		
ACCT-504: Accounting & Finance: Managerial Use & Analysis	3	ECON-545: Business Economics	3	MKTG-522: Marketing Management	3	MATH-533: Applied Managerial Statistics	3	MGMT-550: Managerial Communication [†]	3
ACCT-505: Managerial Accounting	3	FIN-515: Managerial Finance	3	MGMT-520: Legal, Political & Ethical Dimensions of Business	3	MGMT-600: Business Planning Seminar (Capstone)	3	HRM-587: Managing Organizational Change [†]	3

Total Credit Hours: 30[†]

Total MSN Core, Executive Specialty Track & MBA Program Credit Hours: 66 (MSN = 36, MBA = 30)[†]

FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER (FNP) SPECIALTY TRACK

YEAR 2	SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2	SEMESTER 3
Session I	NR-503: Population Health, Epidemiology & Statistical Principles Credits 3	NR-508: Advanced Pharmacology Credits 3	NR-511: Differential Diagnosis & Primary Care Practicum (C=125) Credits 3
Session II	NR-507: Advanced Pathophysiology Semester Hours: 6 Credits Credits 3	NR-509: Advanced Physical Assessment (L=25) Semester Hours: 6 Credits Credits 3	NR-601: Primary Care of the Maturing & Aged Family Practicum (C=125) Semester Hours: 6 Credits Credits 3

Total Credit Hours: 18

YEAR 3	SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2
Session I	NR-602: Primary Care of the Childbearing & Childrearing Family Practicum (C=125) Credits 3	NR-661: APN Capstone Practicum (C=125) Semester Hours: 3 Credits Credits 3
Session II	NR-603: Advanced Clinical Diagnosis & Practice Across the Lifespan Practicum (C=125) Semester Hours: 6 Credits Credits 3	Total MSN Core & FNP Specialty Track Credit Hours: 45 FNP Specialty Track Lab & Clinical Hours: 650 (L=25, C=625)

Total Credit Hours: 9

- * Course availability limited to students enrolled prior to the September 2014 session start.
- ** NR-531, NR-532 and NR-533 will be available September 2014; NR-534 will be available November 2014.
- † Students enrolled prior to the September 2014 session start and who have already completed HRM-587, MGMT-330, MGMT-550 and/or MGMT-591 may elect to take NR-531, NR-532, NR-533 and/or NR-534 as additional credit hours, increasing their total degree program credit hours: MSN Core & Executive Specialty Track credit hours = 39-51.
- ‡ Students enrolled prior to the September 2014 session start will not be required to take MGMT-550 and HRM-587 as part of their MBA course requirements: total MSN Core, Executive Specialty Track & MBA Program credit hours = 60 (MSN = 36, MBA = 24).

HEALTHCARE POLICY SPECIALTY TRACK

YEAR 2	SEMESTER 1		SEMESTER 2		SEMESTER 3	
Session I	NR-551: Healthcare Systems, Politics & Policy	Credits 3	NR-553: Global Health	Credits 3	NR-650: Healthcare Policy Practicum	Credits 3
Session II	NR-552: Economics of Healthcare Policy Semester Hours: 6 Credits	Credits 3	NR-554: The Nurse Leader & Healthcare Policy Semester Hours: 6 Credits	Credits 3	NR-660: Capstone Semester Hours: 6 Credits	Credits 3

Total Credit Hours: 18

Total MSN Core & Healthcare Policy
Specialty Track Credit Hours = 36

INFORMATICS SPECIALTY TRACK

YEAR 2	SEMESTER 1		SEMESTER 2		SEMESTER 3	
Session I	NR-541: Practice of Nursing Informatics	Credits 3	NR-543: Information Workflow in Healthcare	Credits 3	NR-641: Informatics Nurse Specialist Practicum II	Credits 3
Session II	NR-542: Managing Data & Information Semester Hours: 6 Credits	Credits 3	NR-640: Informatics Nurse Specialist Practicum I Semester Hours: 6 Credits	Credits 3	NR-660: Capstone Semester Hours: 6 Credits	Credits 3

Total Credit Hours: 18

Total MSN Core & Informatics
Specialty Track Credit Hours = 36

NURSING INFORMATICS GRADUATE CERTIFICATE OPTION

Program Details – Graduate Certificate in Nursing Informatics: With or Without Practicum

Semesters: 2.5 full-time with practicum (15 credit hours), 1.5 full-time without practicum (9 credit hours)

	SEMESTER 1		SEMESTER 2		SEMESTER 3	
Session I	NR-541: Practice of Nursing Informatics	Credits 3	NR-543: Information Workflow in Healthcare	Credits 3	NR-641: Informatics Nurse Specialist Practicum II Semester Hours: 3 Credits	Credits 3
Session II	NR-542: Managing Data & Information Semester Hours: 6 Credits	Credits 3	NR-640: Informatics Nurse Specialist Practicum I Semester Hours: 6 Credits	Credits 3	<input type="checkbox"/> :Optional Practicum	

Total Certificate Program Credit Hours: 15/9 credits

Semester term = 16 weeks; Session I or Session II = 8 weeks. LAS=Liberal Arts and Sciences; NR=Nursing Major; T=Theory; L=Lab; C=Clinical. Sample curriculum plans are subject to change without prior notice.



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