ADULT-GERONTOLOGY PRIMARY CARE NURSE PRACTITIONER, MSN

Degree: Master of Science in Nursing (MSN)
Field of Study: Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner

Program Overview
Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioners provide comprehensive care, including wellness and acute and chronic illness care, to patients from late-adolescence through adulthood to the elderly. They specifically emphasize health promotion, disease prevention, and comprehensive gerontological assessment. They practice in a wide variety of locations that include hospitals, urgent and primary care settings, community clinics, long-term care facilities, and private practice.

Major Requirements
As part of FPB's MSN program, the adult-gero NP major requires 41 hours of coursework, plus 600 hours of clinicals. The coursework is usually completed within 18 months (four semesters) for full-time students, and courses are offered in a distance-friendly format that requires about eight trips to Cleveland.

Sample Plan of Study
First Year Fall
NURS 405 Inquiry I - Theoretical Foundations 2
NURS 453 Advanced Pathophysiology 4
NURS 459 Advanced Physical Assessment 3
NUNP 410 Health Promotion Across the Life Span 2
NURS 444A Ethical Issues in Advanced Nursing Practice 1
Hours 12

Spring
NURS 425 Inquiry II - Research Process 3
NURS 430 Advanced Pharmacology 3
NUNP 432 Common & Acute Health Problems of the Adult and Older Adult 5
NURS 444B Health Care Delivery and Finance in Advanced Practice 1
NURS 451 Leadership for Quality Healthcare within Organizations and Systems 3
Hours 15

Summer
NUNP 449 Advanced Practice Nursing Care of the Older Adult 4
NURS 502 Inquiry III Evidence-Based Practice 2
Hours 6

Second Year
Fall
NUNP 434 Advanced Management in Adult and Older Adult Primary Care 5
NURS 444C Health Policy Legislation and Legal Issues in Advanced Practice 1
NURS 431 Psychosocial and Spiritual Dimensions of Advanced Nursing Practice 2
Hours 8
Total Hours 41