

Loyola University Chicago

Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing

BSN-DNP

Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner

Substance Abuse and Addiction Specialty

Core Courses	Semester Hours
Advanced Health Assessment Across the Lifespan	4
Advanced Pathophysiology	3
Advanced Pharmacology	3
Healthcare Policy and Economics	3
Leadership and Roles in Advanced Nursing Practice	3
Population Focused Health	3
Research for Advanced Clinical Practice	3
Social Justice and Ethics in Healthcare	3
Statistics for Health and Biological Sciences	3
Theories and Concepts for Advanced Clinical Practice	3
Advanced Specialty Courses	
Advanced Practice Nursing of Clients with Substance Use and Addictive Disorders Across the Lifespan I	3
Advanced Practice Nursing of Clients with Substance Use and Addictive Disorders Across the Lifespan II	3
Evidence Translation for Advanced Clinical Practice	3
Individual, Group and Family Psychotherapeutic Modalities	3
Psychiatric Mental Health Care Across the Lifespan I	3
Psychiatric Mental Health Care Across the Lifespan II	3
Psychopharmacology	2
Clinical (Each semester hour equals 75 clock hours)	
Clinical Rotation/Practicum	17
DNP Project	
DNP Scholarly Project	4
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TOTAL CREDITS	72

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Year 1	Fall Semester	Credits	Spring Semester	Credits	Summer Semester	Credits
	Theories and Concepts for Advanced Clinical Practice	3	Population Focused Health	3	Leadership and Roles in Advanced Nursing Practice	3
	Research for Advanced Clinical Practice	3	Social Justice and Ethics in Healthcare	3		
Semester Total		6		6		3
Year 2	Fall Semester	Credits	Spring Semester	Credits	Summer Semester	Credits
	Advanced Pathophysiology	3	Advanced Pharmacology	3	Healthcare Policy and Economics	3
	Statistics for Health and Biological Sciences	3	Advanced Health Assessment Across the Lifespan	4	Psychopharmacology	2
Semester Total		6		7		5
Year 3	Fall Semester	Credits	Spring Semester	Credits	Summer Semester	Credits
	Psychiatric Mental Health Care Across the Lifespan I	3	Psychiatric Mental Health Care Across the Lifespan II	3	Clinical Rotation II	2
	Individual, Group and Family Psychotherapeutic Modalities	3	Clinical Rotation I	3	Advanced Practice Nursing of Clients with Substance Use and Addictive Disorders Across the Lifespan I	3
Semester Total		6		6		5
Year 4	Fall Semester	Credits	Spring Semester	Credits	Summer Semester	Credits
	Evidence Translation for Advanced Clinical Practice	3	Advanced Practice Nursing of Clients with Substance Use and Addictive Disorders Across the Lifespan II	3	DNP Project	1
	Clinical Rotation III	3	Clinical Rotation IV	3	Clinical Rotation V	2
			DNP Project	1		
Semester Total		6		7		3
Year 5	Fall Semester	Credits	Spring Semester	Credits	Summer Semester	Credits
	DNP Project	1	DNP Project	1		
	Clinical Rotation VI	2	Clinical Rotation VII	2		
Semester Total		3		3		

Total Credits = 72 credits

This is a sample program plan based on a Fall semester start. All students will work with their program director to create their program plan prior to starting the program.