SCHOOL OF NURSING
UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE: FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER (FNP)
SAMPLE FULL-TIME SPECIALTY CURRICULUM

Year 1

Summer	Credits	Autumn	Credits	Winter	Credits	Spring	Credits
School of Nursing Orientation		NSG 557 Pathophysiology	5	NURS 518 Primary Care I (Peds)	3	NSG 532 Management (Gender-Based Care)	3
NCLIN 500/501 Advanced Health Assessment	5	NURS 552 Health Promotion	3	NSG 531 Management (Acute care)	3	NURS 542 Theoretical Foundations of APN: Childbearing I	2
NSG 530 Professional Identity and Leadership	5	NCLIN 553 Health Promotion Seminar & Clinical Practicum	3	NCLIN 562 Interpersonal Skills	3	*PHARM 514 Part I	4
		NCLIN 502 Pediatric Health Assessment	2	NCLIN 556 Clinical Seminar, Lab, Pedi Practicum & Clinical Practice	5	NCLIN 557 Seminar, Lab, & Clinical Practice	4
TOTAL	**10**	**TOTAL**	**13**	**TOTAL**	**14**	**TOTAL**	**13**

Year 2

Summer	Credits	Autumn	Credits	Winter	Credits	Spring	Credits
NSG 533 Management of Chronic Illness (Adult)	3	NCLIN 559 Seminar, Lab, & Clinical Practice	6	NSG 534 Management (Psych)	2	NCLIN 560 Seminar, Lab (includes OSCE), & Clinical Practice	5
NMETH 520 Scholarly Inquiry for Nursing Practice (includes Statistics module)		NMETH 527 Health Informatics and Systems Thinking	3	NCLIN 560 Seminar & Practice	6	NMETH 534 Translating Evidence to Clinical Practice	4
		PHARM 514 Part II	1			NUR560/HSERV508: Dynamics of Comm. Health Practice	3
	5	**Leadership**, select from: Social Justice/Health Disparities Health Policy	3	NURS 573 Professional Issues for NPs	2	NMETH 598 Optional Master's Project for Master's in Passing **OR** NMETH 801 Capstone Investigation *Optional Master's in Passing awarded* ***Approval of Capstone Project Proposal*	1
				NMETH 533[1] Appraising Evidence	4		
TOTAL	**9**	**TOTAL**	**13**	**TOTAL**	**14**	**TOTAL**	**13**

	Summer	Credits	Autumn	Credits	Winter	Credits	Spring	Credits
Year 3	**Leadership** – select from: Social Justice/Health Disparities Health Policy	3	**NCLIN 567** Advanced Practice Clinical Practicum	4	**NCLIN 798** Tripartite Immersion Practicum	5	**NCLIN 567** Advanced Practice Clinical Practicum (VA COE Students have 2 credits)	Opt
	NCLIN567: Adv. Pract. Cl Pract (VA COE Students) **Approval of Capstone Project Proposal	2	**NMETH 801** Capstone Investigation	4	**NMETH 801** Capstone Investigation	4	**NMETH 801** Capstone Investigation	4
			Practice Inquiry Elective ***Approval of Capstone Project Proposal*	3	**NURS 525** Managing Clinical Effectiveness	3	Leadership – select from: • Social Justice/Health Disparities • Health Policy *Final Examination* *DNP degree awarded*	3
	TOTAL	**3 or 5**	**TOTAL**	**11**	**TOTAL**	**12**	**TOTAL**	**7 or 9**

* *Approval of Capstone Project Proposal may be at the end of spring quarter (year 02) or at the end of summer quarter or at the beginning of fall quarter (year 03 VA COE = Seattle Veterans' Administration Center of Excellence in Primary Care Education (Grant-funded Program)

Additional Notes

Advanced Practice:

Required Courses: NCLIN500/501/502/553/562/556/557/559/560/798/567; NURS 552/518/542; NSG 557/531/532/533/534; PHARM 514; UCONJ 515

1. NCLIN Courses Include Clinical Seminar, Skills lab, and Supervised Clinical Practica. This series develops skills in history-taking, physical examination, procedures, application of informatics, data manipulation/resources, use of diagnostics, evidence-based practice, and clinical decision-making. In some quarters OSCE experience may be included. NCLIN556 includes a specialized pediatric exam experience; NCLIN557 includes a prenatal lab.

2. *Pharmacology: Includes core pharmacology lecture series (3 cr), pediatric pharmacology (1 cr), and pharmacology focused on chronic illness management/poly drug therapy (1 cr)

3. NCLIN798-Tripartite Immersion Practicum: Seminar provides integration of the tripartite role: advanced practice, practice inquiry and leadership, and includes a practicum component. Discussions focus on clinical leadership and identification of clinical inquiry questions emanating from the students' advanced practice experience.. Additional practicum credits are taken through NCLIN567 to give students stronger clinical practice skills at the doctoral level.

Practice Inquiry: The School of Nursing requires NMETH 520, NMETH 533, NMETH 534, NMETH 527, and NMETH 801 (capstone project). NMETH 527 "counts" toward the 6 additional practice inquiry credits that are required. The remaining 3 credits of practice inquiry are selected from a menu of classes. Selection is based on capstone inquiry topic, student's interest, and advisement from Supervisory Committee. These 3 credits DO NOT have to be "NMETH" courses.

Leadership: The School of Nursing requires NSG530, NURS525, and a course in social justice (menu of courses will "count" for this). In addition, the FNP-DNP Program requires NURS573, NURS560/HSERV 508, and a course in health policy. Additional coursework may be taken in healthcare systems, informatics, change, or other courses designed to broaden the student's skills in leadership and understanding of the complexity of the US and Global healthcare systems.

Additional Electives: Electives are at the student's discretion. A wide variety of coursework is available in the School of Nursing and throughout the UW, with options such as: genetics, informatics, rural health, occupational/environmental health, clinical areas of interest (women's health, geriatrics, etc), business courses, etc.

- Ethics and Cultural Diversity concepts are woven into all coursework.
- With special advising, students may combine the FNP Program with other specialized programs of study.
- Students may also build an "interest area," such as women's health, geriatrics, etc through electives, focus of their capstone project, and immersion clinical practicum.

TOTAL CREDITS 128 (Additional credits may be taken in form of electives or required in a second specialty; VA COE students will have 4 additional clinical credits)