



POST MASTER’S CERTIFICATE IN PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING (PMCPH)

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This Post Master’s Certificate in Public Health Nursing will provide students with the academic knowledge, skills, and expertise to work as a public health nurse. Graduates will be able to integrate health promotion and prevention to analyze, understand, and collaborate with community health partners to address population health issues. The program consists of specialty and clinical courses. This program is for licensed registered nurses (current, unrestricted license) with a Master of Science in Nursing degree interested in advancing their careers to become a public health nurse

Prior to enrollment, individuals considering a Post Master’s Certificate program should check with their applicable state board of nursing before enrolling in any graduate nursing program for any specific state requirements.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Upon completion of their program, the student should be able to:

1. Develop health promotion and prevention strategies.
2. Describe the impact of cultural humility on client care in a public health role.
3. Analyze the impact of policy on the planning and delivery of care.
4. Coordinate population-based care in a public health role.
5. Integrate epidemiology into population-based practice.
6. Implement the role of the public health nurse in a variety of settings.

SPECIAL ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

Please refer to the “Special Nursing Program Requirements for Admission” policy in the Admissions Information section of this catalog for nursing program admission requirements. Students enrolling in the PMCPH program must complete NU 610, NU 621, and NU 636 prior to acceptance. In most instances, these courses would be included in a Master of Science in Nursing program.

PROGRAM CONTENT

A minimum of 16.00 semester credit hours, in addition to 9 semester credit hours that may be transferred in (NU610, NU621, and NU636), are required for completion of the certificate.

REQUIRED SPECIALTY COURSES

16.00 semester credit hours are required NU 610, NU 621, and NU 636 will be required if not completed successfully with the prior Master of Science in Nursing degree.

Course Number	Course Name	Prerequisites/Corequisites	Semester Credit Hours
NU 655	Foundations of Public Health Nursing	NU 700, NU 760	3.00
NU 656	Public Health Nursing Advocacy and Policy	None / NU 655	3.00
NU 657	Public Health Promotion and Education Clinical	None / NU 656	3.00
NU 658	Professional Practice in Public Health Nursing Clinical	NU 657	3.00

Course Number	Course Name	Prerequisites/Corequisites	Semester Credit Hours
NU 725 Or NU 730	Technology and Nursing Informatics in Advanced Practice Or Systems-Based Practice	None	3.00
PD 600	Applied Scholarship	None	1.00

Distribution of Contact Hours by Course				
Course Number	Lecture Hours	Clinical Hours	Total Contact Hours	Credits
NU 655	45.00		45.00	3.00
NU 656	45.00		45.00	3.00
NU 657	30.00	45.00	75.00	3.00
NU 658	15.00	90.00	105.00	3.00
NU 725 Or NU 730	45.00		45.00	3.00
PD 600	15.00		15.00	1.00
Totals	195.00	135.00	330.00	16.00