

# ELM-MSN: Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)

This specialty program prepares students to be nurse practitioners for patients across the human lifespan in the primary healthcare setting. Graduates are eligible to apply to the California Board of Registered Nursing for certification as a nurse practitioner, and may apply for national FNP certification through examination. This advanced clinical practice specialty includes direct patient assessment, diagnosis, management, and treatment; client advocacy; and client/family education, consultation, and program planning, implementation, evaluation, and research.

Contact the School of Nursing (<http://www.apu.edu/nursing>) for specific program availability and locations. Prelicensure coursework (<http://catalog.apu.edu/graduateprofessional/nursing/entry-level-masters-program/second-degree-program-entry-level-master-science-nursing-elm>) must be completed prior to beginning advanced practice nursing coursework.

Code	Title	Units
<b>Academic Core Courses</b>		10
GNRS 506	Spiritual Concept Analysis in Health Care	3
GNRS XXX Electives		7
<b>Academic and Advanced Practice Core Courses</b>		12
GNRS 512	Advanced Health Assessment and Health Promotion <sup>1</sup>	4 (3/1)
GNRS 513	Advanced Nursing Practice Role	2
GNRS 515	Advanced Pathophysiology	3
GNRS 594	Pharmacology in Advanced Practice Nursing	3
<b>Advanced Practice Specialty Courses</b>		18
GNRS 590A	Primary Health Care of the Young Family	6 (3/3)
GNRS 591	Primary Health Care of the Childbearing Family	4 (2/2)
GNRS 592A	Primary Health Care of the Adult and Aging Family	6 (3/3)
GNRS 592B	Primary Health Care Clinical Practicum	2 (0/2)
<b>Specialization Option Courses</b>		4
Select from the following:		
GNRS 543	Transitions Across the Care Continuum	4 (2/2)
- or -		
GNRS 593	Psychosocial Primary Health Care of the Adult and Aging Family	4 (2/2)
- or -		
GNRS 589	Adolescent Health Care	4 (2/2)
<b>Concluding Courses</b>		1-3
GNRS 597	Comprehensive Examination Directed Study	1
- or -		
GNRS 598 & GNRS 514	Thesis and Research Proposal Writing	3
<b>Total required for the MSN with FNP</b>		45-47

<sup>1</sup> Units shown in parentheses are theory units/clinical units.