

ELM-MSN: Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner (AGPCNP)

This specialty program (<https://www.apu.edu/nursing/programs/gerontology-nurse-practitioner/>) prepares students to be nurse practitioners for patients across the adult years in a primary healthcare setting. Graduates are eligible to apply to the state of California Board of Registered Nursing for certification as a nurse practitioner and may apply for national AGPCNP certification through examination. This advanced clinical practice specialty includes direct patient assessment, diagnosis, management and treatment, client advocacy, client/family education, consultation, and program planning, implementation, evaluation, and research.

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

Requirements

| Code | Title | Units |
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| Academic Core Courses | | 10 |
| GNRS 506 | Spiritual Concept Analysis in Health Care | 3 |
| GNRS and/or GSPH XXX Electives | | 7 |
| Advanced Practice Core Courses | | 12 |
| GNRS 513 | Advanced Nursing Practice Role | 2 |
| GNRS 610 | Advanced Pathophysiology | 3 |
| GNRS 611 | Advanced Pharmacology | 3 |
| GNRS 612 | Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning ¹ | 4 (3/1) |
| Advanced Practice Specialty Courses | | 25 |
| GNRS 580 | Gerontology | 2 |
| GNRS 581 | Primary Health Care of the Older Adult | 5 (2/3) |
| GNRS 589 | Adolescent Health Care | 2 |
| 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 593 | Psychosocial Primary Health Care of the Adult and Aging Family | 4 (2/2) |
| GNRS 592B | Primary Health Care Clinical Practicum | 2 (0/2) |
| Specialization Option Courses: No Requirement | | |
| Concluding Course | | 1 |
| GNRS 597 | Comprehensive Examination Directed Study | 1 |
| Total Units | | 48 |

¹ Units in parentheses are classroom/clinical units.

Admission

University graduate admission and program-specific requirements must be met before an application is complete (see Admission to the University (<http://catalog.apu.edu/admissions/>)). **Program-specific application requirements are available online (<https://tracking.cirrusinsight.com/74647a2d-e9a2-412f-9b55-9959c7aac4ec/apu-edu-graduateprofessionalcenter-admissions-requirements-program/>).**

International students should contact Graduate and Professional Admissions (<https://www.apu.edu/graduateprofessionalcenter/admissions/>) for application procedures.