Program Courses and Clinical Rotations*

NURS 640 - Primary Care of Adult and Gerontology Clients (3 Semester Hours)
Diagnosis and management of acute and episodic health related conditions and illnesses in the primary care setting. Epidemiology of problems in adult and gerontology populations is examined with emphasis placed on health promotion and disease prevention.

NURS 641 - Primary Health Care Clinical**
(5 Semester Hours; 300 Clinical Hours)
This course provides the opportunity to apply knowledge and develop skills related to the role of the nurse practitioner in primary care.

NURS 642 - Primary Care of Children I
(2 Semester Hours)
This course focuses on promotion of health of children and their families, and the diagnosis and management of acute and common health related conditions and illnesses in the primary care setting.

NURS 643 - Primary Care Clinical II**
(5 Semester Hours; 300 Clinical Hours)
This course provides the opportunity to apply knowledge and develop skills related to the role of the nurse practitioner in management of clients/families with complex disease states and health related conditions.

NURS 644 - Primary Care of Adult and Gerontology Clients II
(3 Semester Hours)
Diagnosis and management of chronic and co-morbid health related conditions and illnesses in the primary care setting. Epidemiology of problems for the adult and gerontology client is examined with emphasis is placed on health promotion, health maintenance and prevention of disability.

NURS 646 - Primary Care of Children II
(2 Semester Hours)
This course focuses on the role of the NP in the evaluation and management of chronic and complex health disorders of children in the primary care setting. The impact of chronic and complex disorders on children and families will be considered with an emphasis on strategies to promote wellness, optimize development, and facilitate adaptation in the child and family. Epidemiology of problems is examined.

*All students complete courses in the nursing science core and the direct care nursing core. A listing of the complete curriculum is available at: http://www.winona.edu/graduatenursing/.

**Prior Experience:
Applicants who are currently practicing NPs can have their clinical hours tailored to meet their educational goals.

Apply for Graduate Nursing
Admission requirements and complete program information to the graduate nursing program may be found at www.winona.edu/graduatenursing

Have Questions?
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Winona State University (WSU) started the Primary Care Nurse Practitioner programs in 1994 and there are over 200 graduates from these programs.

The FNP Program was created at the request of our clinical affiliates and community partners. Graduates serve within the State of Minnesota and well beyond to address the primary care needs of individuals and families across the lifespan.

As a student in the Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) you will gain new knowledge in nursing science core course and direct care courses such as epidemiological approaches to population health; evidence-based practice; health policy; applied biostatistics; information management; leadership; ethics; advanced comprehensive assessment of individuals across the lifespan; management of common acute and chronic health problems; counseling and teaching in areas of health promotion and disease prevention; and collaboration with other health professionals. You will complete clinical practicums arranged by our Clinical Placement Coordinator and under the supervision of qualified preceptors with a focus on primary health care in a variety of settings emphasizing effective care approaches with vulnerable and underserved persons, families, and communities.

All DNP students complete a DNP project conducted in the clinical setting.

Graduates with the DNP are eligible to apply to sit for the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) or American Academy of Nurse Practitioners Certified Board (AANPCB) exam.

If you have already completed a graduate nursing degree from a nationally accredited graduate nursing program and want to prepare for certification as a FNP, you may want to enroll in the Graduate Certificate (GC) program. If you are a nurse practitioner but do not have preparation in care of the family population, we could discuss a tailored GC to meet certification requirements. GC graduates are also eligible to apply to sit for the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) or the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners Certification Board (AANPCB) exam. Graduate certificate students do not complete a scholarly inquiry paper or thesis.

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If you already have your master’s degree as an AGPCNP or FNP and want to obtain your DNP, you may apply to our Post-Master’s DNP program for FNPs. This is a 31-credit program that involves additional courses in the areas of applied biostatistics, epidemiological approaches to population health, select electives, and a clinical scholarship project conducted within the clinical setting, most preferably the setting where you are employed. Our goal is to give you the tools needed to assist with translation of knowledge within your clinical setting and assist your setting to address organizational goals.