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Welcome from the Chair

Faculty and staff in the nursing department had a busy and productive spring 2018 semester! Several recruitment events were coordinated with Morehead State University's (MSU) Enrollment Services Department and with several of our community partners.

On May 9 the Bullitt County Advanced Science and Math students were welcomed to the Department of Nursing. Forty-five freshman and sophomore students in the Advanced Science and Math track at Bullitt county HS along with two teachers were actively involved in "hands-on" activities in the clinical laboratories. Students learned about assessing patients and were involved with mannequins to perform some advanced cardiac life support (ACLS) interventions. Bullitt County High School teachers said that the students enjoyed the experience-perhaps too much!



Dr. Lynn C. Parsons
Department Chair

The health-related departments of Biology/Chemistry, Kinesiology/Health & Imaging Sciences. Nursing and Psychology participated in the 2nd Career Fair in collaboration with MSUs Enrollment Services. Clinical agencies need health care providers in all disciplines and counselors are needed in the prison systems. The Department of Nursing has a 100% job placement rate for students who seek employment.

This spring 2018 semester, we welcomed Dr. Shannon Smith-Stephens in a full-time faculty position. Dr. Smith-Stephens transferred from MSU's Counseling and Health Services where she had practiced since 2011. In 2014 she became the Director and served as such until she left in January 2018 to begin the full-time faculty role. She graduated from MSU with her BSN degree, and her MSN and Doctor of Nurse Practice (DNP) degrees were conferred by the University of Kentucky. Dr. Smith-Stephens is certified as an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) with certification as a Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP). She will teach in the graduate program in the FNP program.

Congratulations to Dr. Vanessa Flannery who completed the Post-Master's certificate program at Eastern Kentucky University (EKU) as an FNP. Dr. Flannery passed the national FNP certification exam and can begin independent practice.

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We are preparing for the initial MSN program approval by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) in the fall 2018 semester. Graduate faculty members have had a busy spring semester in preparing the self-study report for this review.

We look forward to working with the Summer Health Careers Camp which includes 40 students in Grades 6-11 from schools in eastern Kentucky, the minority scholars and the Roger's Explorers summer programs. Have a safe and enjoyable summer break!

AASN Coordinator's Report



Dr. Teresa Howell, DNP,
RN, CNE Program
Coordinator

Greetings from the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing Program! In spring 2018 the Associate Degree Nursing Program implemented the Kaplan testing and remediation package throughout the curriculum. The Kaplan Integrated Testing Program is comprised of a series of secure proctored on-line tests designed to evaluate the knowledge of students in a basic nursing curriculum leading to RN licensure.



Dr. Teresa Ferguson
DNP, RN, CNE
Assistant Coordinator
AASN Mt. Sterling Campus



Thirty-five students in the NURA 117 (Maternal Child Nursing Concepts) presented 18 evidence-based teaching projects at St. Claire Healthcare's Baby Shower on Saturday, April 7th to expectant parents.

A wide variety of topics were included such as pregnancy yoga, sudden infant death syndrome, cord blood banking, drug use/abuse, and nutrition during pregnancy.

Pictured below with "Precious Cargo" is Coty Stephens and Katelyn Farler with their presentation.



On the left, posing with their prenatal yoga demonstration is Savannah O'Neill and Melissa Daniel in "easy pose".



The Department of Nursing held a Graduate Recognition and Pining Ceremony in Button Auditorium on May 4th. The winner of the winner of the Art of Nursing is selected by both faculty and students as the graduate they would most want to provide care for them or their family.

The Art of Nursing was presented to Keisha Fraley of Mt. Sterling. The Academic Excellence Award was presented to Ashleigh Adkins of Louisa. Sherry Miller of Mt. Sterling was the recipient of the NCLEX-RN Predictor Award. Danielle Donovan of Paris and Elaine Rasonable of Mt. Sterling received the Excellence in Simulation Awards. The Excellence in Service Award was presented to Kenna Nickell of Morehead.

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BSN Coordinator Report



Dr. Kim Clevenger
BSN Program
Coordinator

Greetings from the BSN Program! As we close out the spring semester and prepare for the start of the fall semester, I wanted to share some exciting things that have occurred in the BSN program

Admissions

Our twice a year admission cycle is in full swing! We admitted 23 new students to our January cohort and continue to work towards building the spring admission cycle numbers. We would like for you to partner with us to help us spread the word in the community about the expansion of the BSN program! We continue to accept 60 students each August and accept up to 60 students for the January admission cohort. We are currently accepting applications for the January 2018 cohort.

Nursing Awards

Faculty & staff celebrated the academic accomplishments of our baccalaureate graduates with a graduate recognition ceremony held in Button Auditorium on May 4, 2018. The Pre-Licensure BSN Program presented the following awards during the ceremony.

Gena Brumley - BSN Excellence in Clinical Simulation Award; **Justin Gasser** - BSN HESI Pharmacology Award; **Celena Wagner** - BSN Excellence in Nursing Research; Award; **Anne Lawson** - BSN Academic Excellence Award; and **Courtney Wiley** - BSN Excellence in Service Award.

Courtney Wiley also received the coveted BSN Art of Nursing Award. This award is presented to the graduate selected by their classmates and faculty as the nurse whom the student and faculty member would select to provide care for them or a member of their family.

There were many faculty accomplishments during the past academic year as all of our faculty continue to take part in service and scholarly activities. Lisa Wallace is actively working on her DNP through ECU and Suzi White is working on her DNP at UK. Dr. Vanessa Flannery completed a post master's certification in ECU's Family Nurse Practitioner track in May 2018.

2018 NCLEX Passage Rate

The BSN program continues to offer quality programming for students from the service region and beyond. The BSN program has an unofficial NCLEX passage rate of 94% for the May 2018 graduates! We are very proud of our graduates and their contribution to the region!

Student Recruitment Visits

Lorrina White joined UCM Executive Director Dr. Deronda Mobelini for a UCM presentation on transfer options. Gwen Collins invited the UCM to talk with her graduating RN students on April 12 about the HCTC RN to ECU/MSU RN-BSN programs.



Courtney Wiley, winner of BSN Excellence in Service Award

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Lorrina White, the MSU nursing program recruiter, also stopped at the Lees College Campus to visit with Pat Herald's first year nursing students to also provide them with information on how they can move from their HCTC RN degree program into MSU's RN-BSN (Bachelors of Science in Nursing). It was a good day, and students enjoyed and appreciated the opportunity to ask questions and think about future academic options.

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Celebration of Student Scholarship

The BSN Junior class participates in Celebration of Student Scholarship held on campus each April to showcase their research completed under the direction of faculty mentors. Students complete group research projects on current nursing sensitive quality indicators, The Joint Commission's National Patient Safety Goals, NDNQI or National Quality Forum issues. MSU's Office of Research and Sponsored Programs and the MSU BSN faculty are committed to providing students with high quality research and creative opportunities. This Annual Celebration is an excellent illustration of the integration of scholarship, teaching, and learning!



Student researchers, under the mentorship of nursing instructor Shelley Sadler, submitted the following abstracts for review during the Celebration of Student Scholarship:

- *Bedside shift report: improving patient outcomes* by Victoria Townsend, Teesha Straman, Taylor Napier, Lakeyn Greene, and Stephanie Barker
- *CAUTIs in the ED* by Allison Meade, Ally Spencer, Leah Hamilton, Jordan Moore, and Emily Wheeler
- *Decubitus Ulcers* by Jordan Adkins, Carli Burton, Samantha Cunningham, Stephanie Parker, and Kasea Thornberry
- *Family Presence during Resuscitation* by Brandi Hatfield, Abigail Meade, Rachel Mullins, Adora Frost, and Hannah Phillips
- *Infant Pain* by Kansas Greenwell, Taylor Jones, Caitlin King, Heather Quesinberry, and Abigail Wright,
- *Mental Exercising* by Tanner L. Young, Tyler M. Stephens, Chloe J. Riggs, Ashley Rowe, and Sarah Webb
- *Pet Therapy* by Jordyn Boesch, Sarah Boggs, Mark Campbell, Sarah Elam, and Chelsea Hunley

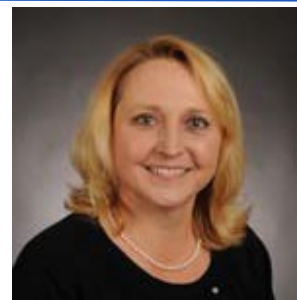
Students and Faculty Giving Back to the Community

Our BSN Students and Faculty continue to impact in the service region and beyond by volunteering their time outside the classroom. Each BSN student completes 20 hours of community service each semester. Our BSN students completed a total of 5,980 volunteer hours during the 2017-2018 academic year! We are so proud of our students for giving back to the community at the local, the state, and the international level!

Online Programs Coordinator Report

The Master of Science in Nursing (MSN), Family Nurse Practitioner Program (FNPP), with a primary focus has completed two full term semesters of course work and admitted two cohorts of students. Three courses will be taught for the MSN program this summer. We are currently accepting applications for the Fall 2018 cohort.

We would like to congratulate Megan Burke who received the MSN Honor's Award for having the highest grade-point-average (GPA) at the annual College of Science awards banquet. The MSN Program is seeking initial program accreditation through the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). A CCNE site visit is scheduled for September 24-26, 2018. There are currently 32 students enrolled in the MSN Program. The first cohort of students is scheduled to graduate Fall 2019.



Dr. Lucy Mays
Online Programs Coordinator

The Post-Licensure Baccalaureate Nursing Program has been very active with programming offered in eight week modules. There are currently 130 students enrolled in the Post-Licensure Baccalaureate Nursing Program. There were 21 graduates from the Post-Licensure Baccalaureate Nursing Program for the Spring 2018 commencement ceremony.

We would like to congratulate Jessica Callahan with the Honor's Award for having the highest GPA in the Post-Licensure Baccalaureate Nursing Program. Capstone project award winners were Heather Nickell and Jetta Steven. We are very proud of our graduates and look forward to seeing their positive contributions for improving the health of our Kentucky citizenry.

The Online Nursing Programs would like to provide public notification of several curricular changes as follows:

Post-Licensure Baccalaureate of Nursing Program

Two new courses were approved and will be offered this fall. These courses will serve as NURS "Elective Courses" which students can take to meet Post-Licensure Baccalaureate of Nursing Program requirements. These course will also serve as free/general electives for other MSU majors.

- NURS 380-Health Promotion for Aging Persons, (3-0-3)

This course champions healthy aging by demonstrating how to prevent or manage disease and make large scale improvements towards health and wellness in the older population. Learners will synthesize research evidence with practical, effective strategies. Health promotion, resources provision, and assessment of the older adult population will be incorporated.

- NURS 430-Health Disparities, (3-0-3), Fall and Spring

This course focuses on a solution-oriented, candid outlook on the problem of health disparities and the on-going need for diversity in the field of health. Focus will be on looking at diversity and inclusion, as well as the context, controversies, and solutions that impact health disparities.

MSU has now joined SARA (State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement) which will allow students to complete clinical requirements in other states. Language regarding the requirement of "Kentucky" RN licensure was removed from the admission criteria. "Current, unencumbered Registered Nurse licensure" is required.

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Youth Camp Hosted by MSU at Mt. Sterling

The third annual “This Land is Our Land Youth Leadership Camp” for sixth through 12th grades was hosted at MSU at Mt. Sterling June 11-15.

Thirty students participated in the camp, which focused on careers in community service, leadership and health care. Here, (right) Tonya Kennedy, nursing faculty, provided discussion of mannequin sounds as part of the health care portion.



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Master of Science in Nursing, Family Nurse Practitioner Program, Primary Care

Several changes were made to the Master of Science in Nursing, Family Nurse Practitioner Program:

- The program title was amended to include “Primary Care” in order to meet licensure/certification requirements.
- Since MSU has joined SARA (State authorization Reciprocity Agreement), which allows students to complete clinical requirements in other states, language regarding the requirement of “Kentucky” RN licensure was removed from the admission criteria. “Current, unencumbered Registered Nurse licensures” is required.
- Maintaining enrollment requirements in the program includes program completion within six (6) years of program entrance.
- The prerequisite of NRUG 612: Pharmacology for Advanced Practice for NURG 632: Childbearing and Women’s Health for Advanced Practice was changed to a co-requisite to better accommodate course sequencing and flexibility for part-time student programming.

If you have questions or concerns regarding these curricular changes, please contact the Department of Nursing at 606-783-2296 or nursingdept@moreheadstate.edu.

Online MSN\FNP Program Accreditation

The Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) program with a Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) concentration will undergo initial Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) program accreditation on September 24-26, 2018. The on-site evaluation will take place on the campus of Morehead State University (MSU) located at 150 University Blvd, Morehead, KY 40351; phone: 606-783-2296. The public is invited to submit written third-party comments that must be received by CCNE until 21 days before the scheduled on-site evaluation. Contact information for CCNE is listed below.



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AASN Coordinator's Report

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Twenty-two students received the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing Degree at Morehead State University's Commencement Ceremony on May 12th.



Congratulations to Dr. Teresa Ferguson, DNP, RN, CNE on her promotion to Professor! Dr. Ferguson has been with the department since 2006.

Where are you now?

We are interested in our alumni, all graduates of MSU Nursing programs. Please take a moment to tell us where you are in your personal and professional life. Send an email with your updated name, number, current employment, and current location! Direct your email to Becki Alfrey, re.alfrey@moreheadstate.edu.

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ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN NURSING PROGRAM

The Associate of Applied Science in Nursing (AASN) program combines general education studies with nursing theory and clinical education, preparing you for a number of rewarding health care careers.

The AASN program offers courses on the Morehead and Mt. Sterling campuses through face-to-face and distance learning.

Admission Criteria:

ACT Score 20 or higher

GPA 3.0 or higher with a minimum grade of "C" in prerequisite courses.

BIOL 234: Human Anatomy and Physiology I (3 credit hours)

Math Core: Math 135 recommended (3 credit hours)

ENG 100: Writing I (3 credit hours)



As a student in MSU's nursing program, you will have the opportunity to practice nursing skills in a hands-on learning environment using high-fidelity patient simulators in the campus laboratory with one-on-one attention from faculty and staff.

COURSE SEQUENCE

Assuming prerequisite requirements have been met.

FIRST SEMESTER

BIOL 235: Human Anatomy Physiology II (3 credit hours)

NURA 114: Fundamental Nursing Concepts (7 credit hours)

FYS 101: CORE First Year Seminar (3 credit hours)

SECOND SEMESTER

PSY 154: Introduction to Psychology (3 credit hours)

NURA 115: Nursing Care Concepts I (5 credit hours)

NURA 117: Maternal Child Concepts (3 credit hours)

ENG 200: CORE Writing II (3 credit hours)

THIRD SEMESTER

NURA 211: Mental Health Concepts (4 credit hours)

NURA 212: Nursing Care Concepts II (5 credit hours)

COMS 108: CORE Oral Communication (3 credit hours)

FOURTH SEMESTER

NURA 214: Transitional Nursing Concepts (2 credit hours)

NURA 215: Advanced Nursing Concepts (10 credit hours)

For more information about MSU's Associate of Applied Science in Nursing Program, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/nursing.

The AASN is accredited through:

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ONLINE RN TO BSN NURSING PROGRAM

The RN-BSN program consists of eight-week modules and can be completed on a part-time basis for working RN's.

If you're a working nurse who wants to take your education to the next level, Morehead State can help you achieve your goal with our online post-licensure nursing program.

The online program will give you the convenience to study in a way that fits into your busy lifestyle. You can "go to class" wherever you have an Internet connection.

To be admitted to the program, you will need to be a registered nurse with an active license without restrictions.



"My favorite thing about MSU is that the post-licensure program was able to provide the flexible scheduling and online classes that I needed to successfully balance my hectic schedules - but still had the support and security of a traditional college environment. Learning new skills and concepts improved my ability to recognize abnormalities or change what could otherwise be detrimental."

Melissa King
West Liberty, KY
Graduate, BSN post-licensure

COURSE SEQUENCE

Assuming MSU general education and support course requirements have been met.

FIRST SEMESTER

NURB 327: Transition to Professional Nursing Practice (4 credit hours)
NURB 309: Health Care Delivery Systems (3 credit hours)
NURB 314: Health Assessment in Nursing (3 credit hours)
NURS Electives - 300 level or above (3 credit hours)
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 13

SECOND SEMESTER

MATH 353: Statistics (3 credit hours)
NURB 407: Population Health (4 credit hours)
NURS 349: Pharmacology (3 credit hours)
NURS Electives - 300 level or above (3 credit hours)
BIOL 336: Pathophysiology (4 credit hours)
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 17

THIRD SEMESTER

NURB 406: Evidence Based Practice (3 credit hours)
NURB 409: Leadership in Nursing (4 credit hours)
NURS Electives - 300 level or above (3 credit hours)
NURB 408: Quality Improvement in Nursing (3 credit hours)
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 13

FOURTH SEMESTER

NURB 421: Nursing Synthesis Practicum (3 credit hours)
NURB 499D: Nursing Synthesis (3 credit hours)
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 6

For more information about MSU's post-licensure nursing program, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/nursing.

The Post-Licensure Baccalaureate Nursing Program at Morehead State University is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (www.aacn.nche.edu/ccne-accreditation) and the Kentucky Board of Nursing.



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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING PROGRAM (BSN)

The pre-licensure nursing program leads to a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree. The BSN program combines general education courses with professional nursing theory and clinical education.

Admission Criteria:

ACT Score 20 or higher
GPA 3.0 or higher with a minimum grade of "C" in prerequisite courses. BIOL 234 & BIOL 235, FYS 101, ENG 100, MATH 135, PSY 154, COMS 108, ENG 200, CHEM 101 & 101L
SBS I Elective Course
GPA 2.5 or higher on BIOL 234, BIOL 235 & MATH 135

The application deadline dates are **March 15** for fall semester and **Oct. 15** for spring semester. The Department of Nursing admission application form is available online at www.moreheadstate.edu/nursing.



The nursing program will prepare you to function as a generalist in a number of settings and work in collaboration with other health professionals to coordinate and improve the health care of individuals, families and communities. Additionally, the BSN program provides a foundation for graduate study in clinical specialties, research, teaching, supervision and/or administration.

COURSE SEQUENCE

Assuming prerequisite requirements have been met.

SOPHOMORE YEAR/FIRST SEMESTER

BIOL 217 & 217L: Elem. Medical Microbiology & Lab (4 credit hours)
NURB 260: Concepts of Hlth & Wellness in Nursing (3 credit hours)
NURB 262: Foundational Skills for Prof. Nursing (6 credit hours)
PSY 156: Life Span Develop. Psychology (3 credit hours)

SOPHOMORE YEAR/SECOND SEMESTER

BIOL 336: Pathophysiology (4 credit hours)
NURB 264: Family Health Nursing (6 credit hours)
NURB 266: Community-based Nursing Care (5 credit hours)
Humanities I: (3 credit hours)

JUNIOR YEAR/FIRST SEMESTER

NURB 318: Pharmacology & the Nursing Process (3 credit hours)
NURB 320: Care of Older Adults (5 credit hours)
NURB 322: Mental Health Nursing (4 credit hours)
MATH 353: Statistics (3 credit hours)

JUNIOR YEAR/SECOND SEMESTER

NURB 324: Acute Alterations in Adult Health I (7 credit hours)
NURB 326: Advanced Nursing Assessment (3 credit hours)
NURB 361: Nursing Research (3 credit hours)

SENIOR YEAR/FIRST SEMESTER

NURB 420: Acute Alterations in Adult Health II (7 credit hours)
NURB 422: Chronic Alterations in Health (5 credit hours)
NURB 424: Public Health (3 credit hours)

SENIOR YEAR/SECOND SEMESTER

NURB 461: Nursing Leadership (3 credit hours)
NURB 498: Nursing Senior Seminar (3 credit hours)
NURB 499C: Advanced Nursing Practicum (3 credit hours)
Humanities II: (3 credit hours)

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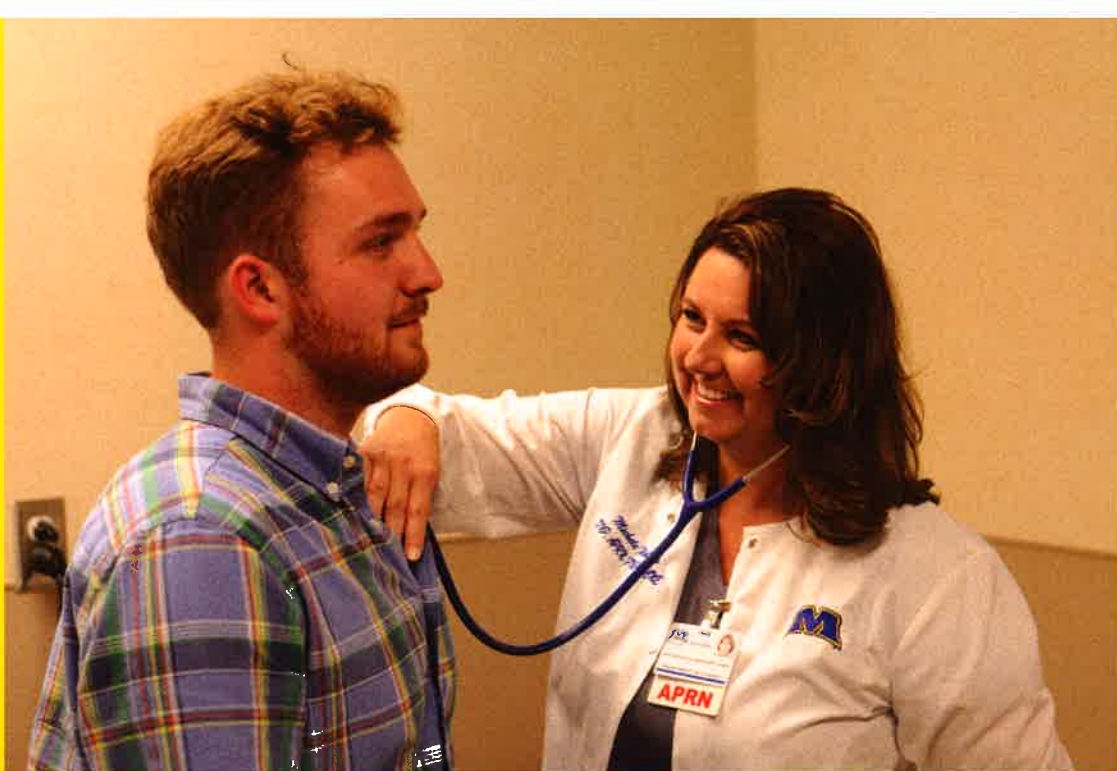
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ONLINE MSN/FNP PROGRAM



The Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) Program is designed for registered nurses who already hold a bachelor's degree in nursing and want to become advanced-practice nurses. Classes for the program are offered online and you can enroll full-time or part-time, making it easy to fit classes into your busy schedule.

CLASSES YOU'LL TAKE

The family nurse practitioner program consists of **49 credit hours**.

Course Number	Description	Credits	Course Number	Description	Credits
NURG 610	Health Assessment for Advanced Practice	3	NURG 631	Pediatrics for Advanced Practice	3
NURG 612	Pharmacology for Advanced Practice	3	NURG 632	Childbearing and Women's Health for Advanced Practice	2
NURG 613	Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice	3	NURG 633	Care of the Aging Population	3
NURG 618	Evidence-Based Practice for Advanced Practice Nurses	3	NURG 634	Common Alterations in Primary Care	3
NURG 640	Population Health and Epidemiology for Advanced Practice	3	NURG 641	Complex Alterations in Primary Care	3
NURG 620*	Roles and Issues for Advanced Practice	2	NURG 636*	Advanced Procedures	1
NURG 630	Health Promotion and Disease Prevention	3	NURG 635	Practicum I (200 clinical hours)	3
NURG 642	Health Policy and Economics	2	NURG 645	Practicum II (200 clinical hours)	3
NURG 650	Professional Practice	3	NURG 655	Practicum III (200 clinical hours)	3

* Students who already have a master's degree will take NURG 621 post graduate. (1 credit hour)

*NURG 636 requires one weekend of hands-on clinical practice at Morehead State University.

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