



School of Nursing and Allied Health
 Post-Master of Science in Nursing
 Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP)

The Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) certificate is for Advance Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) who have completed a master's degree or higher in nursing and desire to pursue a non-degree course of study that leads to eligibility to take a national Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) certification examination.

Program Requirement (18 hours) Summer Cohort

YEAR ONE

<i>Summer Semester</i>	<i>Hours</i>
NURS 536 Advanced Psychopharmacology	1
NURS 507 Adv. Psych NP Assessment	1
Subtotal.....	2

<i>Fall Semester</i>	<i>Hours</i>
NURS 523 Adv. Psych NP I	3
NURS 524 Adv. Psych NP I Clinical (120 hours - adult)	2
Subtotal.....	5

<i>Spring Semester</i>	<i>Hours</i>
NURS 525 Adv. Psych NP II	3
NURS 526 Adv. Psych NP II Clinical (120 hours - peds)	2
Subtotal.....	5

YEAR TWO

<i>Summer Semester</i>	<i>Hours</i>
NURS 511 Adv. Psych NP III	1
NURS 527 Adv. Psych NP III Internship (300 hours - lifespan)	5
Subtotal.....	6

Total PMHNP concentration hours.....	18
Total clinical hours.....	540

Evidence of completion of courses in Advanced Pathophysiology, Advanced Pharmacology, and an Advanced Health Assessment course with a clinical component are required as prerequisites. These courses may also be completed at WKU:

NURS 500	Advanced Physiological and Pathophysiology Concepts
NURS 503	Advanced Health Assessment
NURS 505	Advanced Health Assessment Clinical
NURS 515	Advanced Pharmacology

Specialty Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner courses will meet online synchronous via Blackboard (Bb) Collaborate five (5) weekday evenings and two (2) Saturday mornings a semester along with (OL) coursework via Blackboard (Bb).

120 clinical hours with adults 25 years or older: 40 hours with therapist(s) & 80 hours with prescribing provider(s)

120 clinical hours with children, adolescents, and young adults 24 years or younger: 40 hours with therapist(s) & 80 hours with prescribing provider(s)

300 clinical hours with patients across the lifespan: 80 hours with therapist(s) & 220 hours with prescribing provider(s)