



MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING AT CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

Pediatric Nurse Practitioner in Acute Care (PNP-AC)

Providing care for acutely and critically ill children

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About Acute Care Pediatric Nurse Practitioner

Acute Care Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (PNPs) promote the overall health of pediatric patients with acute, complex, critical, and chronic illnesses across a variety of care settings. In our program, you will discover best practices to diagnose and treat these pediatric patients, with an emphasis on interdisciplinary models, ethical behavior, and family-centered care for critically or acutely ill children or adolescents.

Clinical Partnerships

During your program you will gain exceptional clinical experiences with **600 clinical hours (860 for dual program) in:**

- Pediatric Intensive Care Units and subspecialty inpatient and outpatient settings
- 4 major medical centers in the Cleveland/Akron area including Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital, Cleveland Clinic Children's Hospital, Akron Children's Hospital, and MetroHealth

Careers

Pediatric Acute Care Nurse Practitioners care for patients in a **variety of health care settings** including, but not limited to hospitals, intensive care units, subspecialty clinics, emergency departments, and the patient's home. Graduates of our program have gone on to work at major children's hospitals in throughout Ohio and all over the U.S., including Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, Seattle Children's Hospital, Presbyterian Hospital in NYC, and more.

About Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing

The Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing at Case Western Reserve University is a **globally recognized leader** in nursing education and research. Our top 10 ranking among U.S. nursing schools in NIH-funded research and our focus on nursing leadership and management makes Frances Payne Bolton the world's nursing leadership destination.

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PNP-AC Fast Facts

- This major is designed to be **completed dually** with the pediatric primary care track and is also offered as a **post-graduate track** for PNPs with existing related certifications
- Begin core MSN classes any term. Clinical courses begin every Fall, and students can complete the program in **2 years full time**, or **3-5 years part time**
- **Distance-friendly options** available with 3-4 trips to campus per term
- **45 (50 credit hours for completion of dual program) credit hours** for completion
- Graduates are eligible for the **certification exam** conducted by the Pediatric Nursing Certification Board
- Applicants must have at least **1 year** of recent acute care pediatric nursing experience and PALS certification



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PEDIATRIC NURSE PRACTITIONER IN ACUTE CARE CURRICULUM

Fall Semester I

Course ID	Course Title	Credits
NURS 405*	Inquiry I - Theoretical Foundations	2
NURS 453	Advanced Pathophysiology	4
NURS 459	Advanced Physical Assessment	3
NUNP 410*	Health Promotion Across the Life Span	2
NURS 401	Development and Health Promotion in Children and Adolescents	3
		Total 14

Spring Semester I

Course ID	Course Title	Credits
NURS 425*	Inquiry II - Research Process	3
NURS 430	Advanced Pharmacology	3
NUNP 402^	Common and Acute Health Problems of Children and Adolescents	6
NURS 444B*	Health Care Delivery and Finance in Advanced Practice	1
		Total 13

Summer Semester I

Course ID	Course Title	Credits
NURS 502*	Inquiry III - Evidence-Based Practice	2
NUNP 451*	Leadership for Quality Healthcare within Organizations and Systems	3
NURS 444A*	Ethical Issues in Advanced Nursing Practice	1
		Total 6

Fall Semester II

Course ID	Course Title	Credits
NUNP 455^	Management of Complex Acute Problems in Children and Adolescents I	4
NURS 444C*	Health Policy, Legislation and Legal Issues in Advanced Practice	1
NURS 431*	Psychosocial and Spiritual Dimensions of Advanced Nursing Practice	2
NURS 403* (Dual Program)	Advanced Management in Pediatric Primary Care	5
		Total 7-12

Spring Semester II: Post-MSN

Course ID	Course Title	Credits
NURS 456^	Management of Complex Acute Problems in Children and Adolescents II	5
		Total 5

**Accumulated
Total Hours:
45-50**

Note: The above curriculum is full-time; part-time plans are also available. The Advanced Practice Core courses (NURS 430, 453, 459) are co-requisites or pre-requisites for clinical nursing courses. Clinical nursing courses must be taken in the semester and sequence listed above. Clinical course availability is based upon enrollment.

* = Intensive Course, see <https://bit.ly/38DSjcb> for more information

^ = Clinical Course

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