

## Master of Science in Nursing: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner

The Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) consists of didactic and clinical course content essential to providing differential diagnosis, health promotion, psychotropic medication management and psychotherapy services across the lifespan in both hospital and community settings. The program can be completed in 7 semesters.

Cohorts are established annually in the Fall. Clinical placement is a collaborative process between the student and the faculty. Clinical experiences are scheduled at the convenience of the facility hosting the student. Upon successful completion of the program, the student will be eligible to take the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner examination.

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Graduate application and \$30 application fee
- Earned BSN degree from CCNE or ACEN (previously NLNAC) accredited institution with minimum 3.0 GPA
- Unofficial transcripts for initial admission
- Three recommendation letters
  - One from previous faculty (if attended school in last five years)
  - Two professional who can attest to clinical experience
- Essay answering the following question:
  - How will this degree advance your professional goals?
- Resume/C.V.
- One full year of direct patient care prior to specialty courses
- Unencumbered RN license – multi-state or individual state (must obtain licensure in clinical rotation state)
- Successful completion of BSN courses in Health Assessment, Pathophysiology, and Pharmacology.
- Completion of undergraduate Statistics course with a grade of “C” or better within the last five years.
- Interview with graduate nursing faculty will be required
- Language Proficiency Requirement must be met. Submission of TOEFL, PTE, or Duolingo English Test may be required. See our policy for full details: <https://www.su.edu/admissions/international-students>
- Upon admission up-to-date immunizations and health records, a criminal background check, a urine drug screen, and a BCLS from AHA only will be required

### DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

The degree requirement is 46 semester hours. Clinical practicum is approximately 600 clock hours.

#### Revised Plan of Study – Pending University Approval

Courses	Credits
Advanced Practice Roles, Ethics & Policy	3
Advanced Concepts in Physiology & Pathophysiology	3
Advanced Pharmacology & Therapeutics	3
Adv. Health Promotion & Assessment Across Lifespan	4
Research & Evidence-Based Practice	4
Foundations of Psychotherapy	3
Behavioral Neuroscience & Psychopharmacology	3
Management of PMH: Adult (120 Clinical Hours)	2/2
Management of PMH: Geriatric	2
Management of PMH: Child (120 Clinical Hours)	2/2
Manag. of Complex Mental Health Lifespan (120 Hours)	2/2
Data Interpretation & Informatics	3
Advanced Nurse Practitioner Role Development	2
Advanced PMH Practicum (240 Clinical Hours)	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>46</b>

*For International Students who require an F-1, I-20 visa, due to part-time course load, F-1 visas **are not** issued for this program.*

### TRANSFER CREDITS

- Only grades of “B” or higher are transferable.
- A maximum of 6 credit hours are transferable.

### WHERE TO BEGIN

- Apply online now by visiting [www.su.edu/sonapp](http://www.su.edu/sonapp).

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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