

Post-Master's Graduate Certificate Family Nurse Practitioner

The Family Nurse Practitioner Graduate Certificate is designed for the registered nurse who already holds a master's degree in nursing—and now wishes to add a family nurse practitioner certification.

This on-line program consists of 22-33 credit hours, depending on prior course work completed in the individual's master's degree program. All courses are developed and taught by Indiana State University's nursing faculty. The program can be completed in 16 months (from August until December of the following year).

Upon successful completion of program requirements, a certificate is awarded and students are eligible to apply for American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) or American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP) certification.

Indiana State University's Nursing Program is accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission.

Delivery: Internet

On-campus requirements: None

Admission requirements: Open to all (in-state, out-of-state, and international) who meet program requirements

Program Requirements

Program requirements vary, depending on prior course work completed in the individual's master's degree program. For a list of required courses, see reverse.

Course Delivery

All courses in this program are offered on-line (via the Internet). Clinical courses may be arranged in the student's community. No on-campus visits are required. This on-line program includes lectures delivered via video and audio (on demand). Students must have high-speed Internet connection (for example, Ethernet, DSL, cable, satellite, or high-speed wireless). For details, see *Delivery* insert.

Admission Requirements

- A master's degree in nursing from a college or university accredited by the National League for Nursing (or equivalent accreditation association) with a minimum grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- A current Indiana R.N. license or equivalent in the geographical location where the student will be doing their preceptorship or clinical practicum
- Three letters of reference, including at least one academic and one professional reference
- A personal statement of professional goals

Note: The Graduate Record Examination is not required

Getting Started

For step-by-step instructions, visit www.indstate.edu/distance/fnp-certificate

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Family Nurse Practitioner (22-27 credit hours minimum)

For those with a prior nursing master's degree that did include a nurse practitioner focus

Clinical Course Work and Practica (21-26 credit hours)

LIFS 633 Advanced Pathophysiology—3 hours

NURS 625 Family Focused Health Assessment and Health Promotion for Advanced Nursing Practice—2-3 hours

NURS 642 Family Focused Health Care for Nurse Practitioners I—3-5 hours

NURS 645 Pharmacology for Advanced Practice Nurses—3 hours

NURS 646 Diagnostic Laboratory for Family Nurse Practitioners—1 hour

NURS 665 Family Focused Health Care for Nurse Practitioners II—4-6 hours

NURS 670 Family Nurse Practitioner Preceptorship—5 hours

Functional Role Course Work and Practica (1 credit hour)

NURS 675 Family Nurse Practitioner Role II—1 hour

Family Nurse Practitioner (33 credit hours minimum)

For those with a prior nursing master's degree that did not include a nurse practitioner focus

Clinical Course Work and Practica (31 credit hours)

LIFS 633 Advanced Pathophysiology—3 hours

NURS 624 Health Assessment and Health Promotion for Advanced Nursing Practice—4 hours

NURS 644 Theoretical Foundations of Family Health Care: Management of Common Chronic and Acute Health Problems I—7 hours

NURS 645 Pharmacology for Advanced Practice Nurses—3 hours

NURS 646 Diagnostic Laboratory for Family Nurse Practitioners—1 hour

NURS 664 Theoretical Foundations of Family Health Care: Management of Common Chronic and Acute Health Problems II—8 hours

NURS 670 Family Nurse Practitioner Preceptorship—5 hours

Functional Role Course Work and Practica (2 credit hours)

NURS 635 Family Nurse Practitioner Role I—1 hour

NURS 675 Family Nurse Practitioner Role II—1 hour



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