

PEDIATRIC NURSE PRACTITIONER (AC/PC-PNP DUAL TRACK), BSN TO DNP DEGREE

The Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Dual track is a 75-credit hour graduate nursing curriculum which prepares registered nurses to deliver primary health care to clients ages birth to adolescence, focusing on patient-and-family centered care within the context of the family unit. Emphasis is placed on health promotion and disease prevention, in addition to management of acute and chronic illnesses. With an additional 14 credit hours, this dual specialty track also prepares registered nurses to deliver health care to pediatric clients with complex acute, critical, or chronic illness in the acute care setting. This is an online program with required on-campus and virtual immersions. There are additional immersions during the acute care trimesters.

The program of study conforms to educational guidelines from the Texas Board of Nursing, the Essentials of Doctoral Education for Advanced Nursing Practice (AANC, 2021), the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF), and National Taskforce on Quality Nurse Practitioner Education (NTF, 2022). Graduates from the PNP AC/PC program are eligible to sit for the Pediatric Nursing Certification test offered by the Pediatric Nursing Certification Board (PNCB).

APRN DNP/Pediatric Nurse Practitioner PC/AC Required Courses

Code	Title	Hours
NUR 5305	Advanced Pediatric Health Care Management I: Primary Care	3
NUR 5100	Advanced Pediatric Health Care Management I: Practicum	1
NUR 5202	Genomics in a Pediatric Setting	2
NUR 5307	Advanced Pediatric Health Care Management II: Acute & Common Health Care Needs	3
NUR 5200	Advanced Pediatric Health Care Management II: Practicum	2
NUR 5308	Advanced Pediatric Health Care Management III: Chronic Health Needs	3
NUR 5309	Advanced Pediatric Health Care Management III: Practicum	3
NUR 5400	PNP Primary Care Residency	4
NUR 6309	Pediatric Acute Care Nurse Practitioner I	3
NUR 6407	Pediatric Acute Care Nurse Practicum I	4
NUR 6311	Pediatric Acute Care Nurse Practitioner II	3
NUR 6406	Pediatric Acute Care Nurse Practitioner II: Practicum	4

Sample Curriculum Plan for APRN DNP/ Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (AC & PC) - Fall Start

Year 1		
Fall Trimester		Hours
NUR 5209	Theoretical Concepts for the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	2
NUR 5201	Introduction to Statistical Methods	2
NUR 5211	Servant Leadership and Advanced Practice Nursing	2
NUR 5351	Advanced Pharmacology	3
Hours		9
Spring Trimester		
NUR 5349	Global Healthcare and Missions	3
NUR 6316	Transforming Health Care Organizations and Changing Outcomes	3
NUR 5312	The Roles and Business of the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN)	3
Hours		9
Summer Trimester		
NUR 5332	Advanced Human Pathophysiology	3
NUR 5314	Scientific Inquiry	3
NUR 6272	Applied Ethics for Advanced Practice Nursing	2
Hours		8
Year 2		
Fall Trimester		Hours
NUR 5354	Advanced Health Assessment/Promotion/Disease Prevention	3
NUR 6377	Policy and Implications for Health	3
Hours		6
Spring Trimester		
NUR 5305	Advanced Pediatric Health Care Management I: Primary Care	3
NUR 5100	Advanced Pediatric Health Care Management I: Practicum	1
NUR 5202	Genomics in a Pediatric Setting	2
NUR 6373	Clinical Epidemiology	3
Hours		9
Summer Trimester		
NUR 6375	Translational Science	3
NUR 5307	Advanced Pediatric Health Care Management II: Acute & Common Health Care Needs	3
NUR 5200	Advanced Pediatric Health Care Management II: Practicum	2
Hours		8
Year 3		
Fall Trimester		Hours
NUR 5308	Advanced Pediatric Health Care Management III: Chronic Health Needs	3
NUR 5309	Advanced Pediatric Health Care Management III: Practicum	3

NUR 6110	Data Management for the Advanced Practice Nurse	1
Hours		7
Spring Trimester		
NUR 6202	The NICU Graduate	2
NUR 5400	PNP Primary Care Residency	4
NUR 63C1	DNP Project I	3
Hours		9
Summer Trimester		
NUR 6V76	Advanced Practice Nursing Residency	3
NUR 5280	Health Informatics and Innovations in Technology	2
NUR 61C2	DNP Project II	1
Hours		6
Year 4		
Fall Trimester		
NUR 62C3	DNP Project III	2
NUR 6V76	Advanced Practice Nursing Residency	3
Hours		5
Spring Trimester		
AC-only		
NUR 6309	Pediatric Acute Care Nurse Practitioner I	(3)
NUR 6407	Pediatric Acute Care Nurse Practicum I	(4)
Hours		0
Summer Trimester		
AC-only		
NUR 6311	Pediatric Acute Care Nurse Practitioner II	(3)
NUR 6406	Pediatric Acute Care Nurse Practitioner II: Practicum	(4)
Hours		0
Total Hours		76