

# PSYCHIATRIC MENTAL HEALTH NURSE PRACTITIONER (PMHNP) CERTIFICATE

The Department of Nursing's Post-Graduate APRN Certificate programs are for advanced practice nurse leaders who already hold at least one certification as a nurse practitioner, nurse anesthetist, clinical nurse specialist, or nurse midwife.

The Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner certificate includes theory online, on campus lab days for skills and simulation, and precepted clinical experiences.

Other Post-Graduate Certificates include:

- Adult/Gero Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (AGPCNP) (<https://catalog.css.edu/programs-az/nursing/nursing/adult-gerontology-acute-care-nurse-practitioner-certificate/>)
- Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) (<http://catalog.css.edu/programs-az/healthprofessions/nursing/family-nurse-practitioner-certificate/>)

The curriculum integrates nursing, science, concepts and theories from related disciplines, along with practice and research. The number of credits and time to complete the certificate are dependent of the specialty area.

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## Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the Doctor of Nursing Practice and/or post-graduate APRN certificate, the graduate will be able to:

1. Synthesize knowledge and apply evidence-based research from nursing and related disciplines as a basis for advanced nursing practice across the lifespan.
2. Implement roles of advanced nursing practice responsive to changing social, economic, political, technological, and environmental conditions.
3. Apply skills in leadership on interprofessional teams to collaboratively improve patient and population health outcomes, particularly among rural and underserved.

## Requirements

Students must achieve the following program requirements for all courses listed under Program Requirements and Program Required Courses for the Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) certificate.

### Program Requirements

Major Credits: 40

Clinical Hours: 960

Code	Title	Credits
NSG 8152	Pathophysiology for Advanced Clinical Practice I	2
NSG 8154	Pathophysiology for Advanced Clinical Practice II	2

NSG 8217	Lifespan Health Assessment I	2
NSG 8219	Lifespan Health Assessment II	2
NSG 8520	Assessment and Management of Psychiatric Disorders in Adults	3
NSG 8521	Psychiatric Practicum I: Adults	4
NSG 8550	Assessment and Management of Psychiatric Disorders in Children/Adolescents/Families	3
NSG 8551	Psychiatric Practicum II: Child/Adolescent/Families	4
NSG 8662	Theoretical Foundations of Advanced Practice Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing	6
NSG 8670	Advanced Pharmacology I	2
NSG 8672	Advanced Pharmacology II	2
NSG 8678	Psychopharmacology	3
NSG 8777	Topics (Psychiatric Practicum III: Practice Transition)	5

**Total Credits** 40

## Degree Requirements

To graduate from The College of St. Scholastica, graduate students must meet the following minimum degree requirements.

**Minimum GPA: 3.0**