



**School of Nursing**  
**The Master of Science in Nursing Degree Program**  
**Family Nurse Practitioner Track**

**ADMISSION APPLICATION FACT SHEET**

- Admission applications are due no later than **March 1**.
- Students are admitted to the program in the fall semester of each year based on competitive selection. Selection is based upon the applicant's qualifications (academic and professional), the applicant's strengths as compared to other applicant's, and upon the number of available openings.
- Graduate courses offered by the School of Nursing are web-based. However, students may be required to be on campus for concentrated face-to-face meetings (up to a total of three) in any given semester.
- **Students must apply and submit all of the admission requirements listed in items 4-9 below to the Graduate College. If admitted to the MSN program, the student must submit items listed in 10 below to the School of Nursing.**
- Students may take the following 3 courses as a non-degree student prior to admission into the MSN program. No more than seven credits of course work as a non-degree student will be accepted toward the degree.
  - **NURS 705** Roles in Advanced Practice Nursing (offered in Fall semester only) = 1 credit
  - **NURS 706** Nursing Theory and the Research Process (offered in Fall semester only) = 3 credits
  - **NURS 713** Health and Public Policy (offered in Fall and Summer semester only) = 3 credits
- Students are expected to possess basic computer skills, including word processing.
- For more information regarding the MSN Family Nurse Practitioner Track visit our website: <http://nursing.unlv.edu> or call 702-895-3360 to speak with our Graduate Studies Administrative Assistant.

**Admission requirements for the MSN Family Nurse Practitioner Track include the following:**

1. Cumulative GPA of 3.00 or a GPA of 3.00 in the last 2 years of undergraduate work. The undergraduate nursing course work must have been completed at a nursing program accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission or Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.
2. Completion of undergraduate courses in *nursing research, physical assessment, and a course in introductory statistics*.
3. Completion of a *graduate level statistics* course within the last three years with a grade of B or better prior to admission into the MSN program.
4. Submit official transcripts from all previous college and professional schools to the Graduate College.
5. Statement of 300 words describing the student's professional goals and reason for seeking graduate education.
6. Two letters of recommendation from either instructors or employers that speak to the applicant's potential to complete the graduate program.
7. Current resume or vita which demonstrates a minimum of one year clinical experience as a RN. It is recommended that the most recent year of practice be in an area directly related to the student's proposed pathway of study.
8. Current valid RN license in state of residence.
9. Passport Picture (3 x 5 photo only).

10. Current evidence of the following:
- Health insurance
  - Family Nurse Practitioner student malpractice insurance
  - Immunization record of vaccination against Hepatitis B, Varicella, MMR, Tetanus Diphtheria booster (TD), and 2 step TB screen
  - CPR certification
  - Health and physical clearance completed by a physician
  - A drug screen and background check

**University of Nevada, Las Vegas**  
**School of Nursing**  
**MSN Program**  
**Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) Track**

**Credits: 48**

**Clinical Hours: 720 (Adult = 495 hours, Pediatric = 185 hours, OB/GYN = 40 hours)**

**Family Nurse Practitioner Track** prepares the graduate to work as a nurse practitioner in a variety of settings, perform health histories and physical examinations, order and interpret diagnostic tests, diagnose and manage acute and chronic diseases, prescribe medication and treatments, provide patient and family counseling and education regarding lifestyle behaviors.

**Courses:**

**Credits:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Semester (FALL)**

NURS 705	Roles in Advanced Practice Nursing	1
NURS 703	Advanced Physical Assessment (*) (2 credits didactic, 1 credit lab)	3
NURS 704	Pathophysiology for Advanced Nursing Practice	3
NURS 706	Nursing Theory and the Research Process	3
NURS 714	Family Theory and Assessment	3

**2<sup>nd</sup> Semester (SPRING)**

NURS 707	Nursing Research Methods and Utilization	3
NURS 730	Pharmacology for Advanced Practice	3
NURS 749	Primary Care of the Family I (*) (2 credits didactic, 5 credits clinical)	7 (**)

**3<sup>rd</sup> Semester (FALL)**

NURS 713	Health and Public Policy	3
NURS 766	Capstone I (†)	1
NURS 759	Primary Care of the Family II (*) (3 credits didactic, 5 credits clinical)	8

**4<sup>th</sup> Semester (SPRING)**

NURS 752	Role of the Nurse Practitioner: Transition to Practice	2
NURS 796	Capstone II (†)	1
NURS 769	Primary Care of the Family III (*) (1 credit didactic, 6 credits clinical)	7 (***)

(\*) Indicates course has lab/clinical component.

(\*\*) Credit change approval for this course to be effective Spring 2010 conditional on being approved in Fall 2009 by Graduate College Curriculum Committee.

(\*\*\*) Credit change approval for this course to be effective Summer 2010 conditional on being approved in Fall 2009 by Graduate College Curriculum Committee.

(†) Students may select to do a Thesis in place of the Capstone courses. However, Thesis requirements include completion of 6 credits of Thesis.

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 MSN PROGRAM  
**FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER TRACK**  
**Full-Time Study**

Program Portion	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	3 <sup>rd</sup> Semester	4 <sup>th</sup> Semester	Pathway Total Credits
	FALL	SPRING	FALL	SPRING	
Courses	Pathophysiology 3 (NURS 704)	Research 3 (NURS 707)	Health & Policy 3 (NURS 713)	Roles 2 (NURS 752)	
	Physical Assessment 3 NURS 703 (45 total hours of lab)	Pharmacology 3 (NURS 730)	Capstone I 1 (NURS 766)	Capstone II 1 (NURS 796)	
	Theory 3 (NURS 706)	NURS 749 7 (15 hours of clinical per week)	NURS 759 8 (15 hours of clinical per week)	NURS 769 7 (18 hours of clinical per week)	
	Roles 1 (NURS 705)				
	Family Theory 3 (NURS 714)				
<b>Core Credits</b>	3	3	4	1	11
<b>FNP Credits</b>	10	10	8	9	37
<b>Total Credits</b>	13	13	12	10	<b>48</b>

**Total Program Credits = 48 Semester Credits**

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**Part-Time Study**

Program Portion	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester FALL	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester SPRING	3 <sup>rd</sup> Semester FALL	4 <sup>th</sup> Semester SPRING	5 <sup>th</sup> Semester FALL	6 <sup>th</sup> Semester SPRING
Courses	Nursing Theory 3 (NURS 706)	Research 3 (NURS 707)	Health & Policy 3 (NURS 713)	Primary Care I 7 NURS 749 (15 hours of clinical per week)	Primary Care II 8 NURS 759 (15 hours of clinical per week)	Primary Care III 7 NURS 769 (18 hours of clinical per week)
	Pathophysiology 3 (NURS 704)	Pharmacology 3 (NURS 730)	Physical Assessment 3 NURS 703 (45 total hours of lab)		Capstone I 1 (NURS 766)	Capstone II 1 (NURS 796)
	Roles 1 (NURS 705)					Roles 2 (NURS 752)
	Family Theory 3 (NURS 714)					
<b>Core Credits</b>	3	3	3		1	1
<b>FNP Credits</b>	7	3	3	7	8	9
<b>Total Credits</b>	10	6	6	7	9	10

**Total Program Credits = 48 Semester Credits**