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**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING  
 FAMILY PSYCHIATRIC & MENTAL HEALTH NURSE PRACTITIONER CONCENTRATION**

Lincoln Memorial University’s MSN degree program, Family Psychiatric & Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (FPMHNP) concentration prepares nurses in an advanced practice role with competencies in mental health promotion and culturally competent care of common conditions with persons, groups, and families. The FPMHNP concentration at LMU can be completed in seventeen (17) months of full-time study and twenty-eight (28) months of part-time study. Both full time and part time options requires 44 credit hours of graduate course work including a minimum of 660 clinical hours. Clinical courses have a 1:4 credit hour to clinical hour clinical ratio. A Comprehensive Exam is required during the final semester. FPMHNP students who successfully complete the graduate nursing program will receive the MSN degree. FPMHNP students will meet the eligibility criteria for the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) FPMHNP certification examination.

The minimum number of credit hours required for graduation should not be construed as indicating a maximum number of credit hours for any particular student. Students who complete the program in 17 months will have limited opportunity for elective courses, but students who pursue a part-time option may elect to explore additional topics. Thus, each program of study may vary as to total number of credit hours necessary to receive the degree.

<b>Full-Time Plan (17 months, 4 semesters)</b>					
<b>First Semester</b>		<b>Cr Hrs.</b>	<b>Second Semester</b>		<b>Cr Hrs.</b>
<b>NURS 510</b> Advance Pathophysiology		3	<b>NURS 500</b> Theoretical Foundations and Research Methods		4
<b>NURS 520</b> Advance Health Assessment		3	<b>NURS 535</b> Psychopharmacology		2
<b>NURS 530</b> Advance Pharmacology and Therapeutics		4	<b>NURS 541</b> FPMHNP I		3
			<b>NURS 541A</b> FPMHNP I Practicum		2
<b>Total:</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>Total:</b>		<b>11</b>
<b>Third Semester</b>		<b>Cr Hrs.</b>	<b>Fourth Semester</b>		<b>Cr Hrs.</b>
<b>NURS 580</b> Contemporary Roles & Issues for Advance Practice Nurses		4	<b>NURS 590</b> Directed Scholarly Inquiry		3
<b>NURS 542</b> FPMHNP II		4	<b>NURS 543</b> FPMHNP III		3
<b>NURS 542A</b> FPMHNP II Practicum		4	<b>NURS 543A</b> FPMHNP III Practicum		5
<b>Total:</b>		<b>12</b>	<b>Total:</b>		<b>11</b>
<b>Total MSN FNP Concentration Hours = 44 credit hours</b>					
<i>*Clinical courses have a 1: 4 credit hour to clinical hour ratio. (For example, NURS 541A FPMHNP Practicum has a 2 hour clinical component = 8 hours per week = 120 hours over the semester)</i>					

<b>Sample Part-Time Plan (28 months, 7 semesters)</b>					
<b>First Semester</b>		<b>Cr Hrs.</b>	<b>Second Semester</b>		<b>Cr Hrs.</b>
NURS 510 Advance Pathophysiology		3	NURS 500 Theoretical Foundations and Research Methods		4
<b>Total:</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>Total:</b>		<b>4</b>
<b>Third Semester</b>		<b>Cr Hrs.</b>	<b>Fourth Semester</b>		<b>Cr Hrs.</b>
NURS 580 Contemporary Roles & Issues for Advance Practice Nurses		4	NURS 530 Advance Pharmacology and Therapeutics		4
			NURS 520 Advance Health Assessment		3
<b>Total:</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>Total:</b>		<b>7</b>
<b>Fifth Semester</b>		<b>Cr Hrs.</b>	<b>Sixth Semester</b>		<b>Cr Hrs.</b>
NURS 535 Psychopharmacology		2	NURS 542 FPMHNP II		4
NURS 541 FPMHNP I		3	NURS 542A FPMHNP II Practicum		4
NURS 541A FPMHNP I Practicum		2			
<b>Total:</b>		<b>7</b>	<b>Total:</b>		<b>8</b>

<b>Seventh Semester</b>		<b>Cr Hrs.</b>
NURS 543 FPMHNP III		3
NURS 543A FPMHNP III Practicum		5
NURS 590 Directed Scholarly Inquiry		3
<b>Total:</b>		<b>11</b>

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