Master of Science in Nursing
Family Nurse Practitioner Concentration

Achieve Your Professional Dreams and Goals
GSU nursing programs prepare nurse leaders who address the challenges of local, regional, national, and global healthcare reform. Our nursing programs focus on providing quality, holistic care, creating healing environments, and building caring communities. The GSU nursing faculty includes Advanced Practice Nurses, seasoned educators, and doctorally-prepared researchers who provide students with an exceptional educational experience.

Health Care Across the Life Span
A healthy life – that’s probably at the top of nearly everyone’s wish list. Our advanced practice Family Nurse Practitioner Concentration will prepare you to help orchestrate a healthy life for individuals of all ages. You will provide primary care to patients across the lifespan and in a variety of primary care settings.

Built for You – the Working Nurse
The Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) Family Nurse Practitioner concentration is offered in a manner that considers the needs of the working nurse.

The Certificate Option
The Department of Nursing also offers a certificate to prepare Advanced Practice Nurses, who have already attained a MSN degree, to meet the requirements for licensure as a Family Nurse Practitioner. The program is designed for nurses who have attained a master’s or doctoral degree in a clinical specialty and who aspire to work as a Family Nurse Practitioner in an advanced practice setting.

Learn More!
Take the next step in your career.

Application deadlines: Fall term — May 1, Spring term — October 1.

For more information, go to the Department of Nursing Website, www.govst.edu/chhs/dn, or e-mail the Department of Nursing at NursingAdvisor@govst.edu The program accepts applications year-round through NursingCAS, http://nursingcas.org/ Students admitted into the program must begin their course of study in the Fall or Spring semesters.

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GSU College of Health and Human Services
All applications are completed through NursingCAS. If you have any questions about the NursingCAS process, please contact NursingCAS at 617.612.2880, or nursingcasinfo@nursingcas.org.

**Other Requirements**

Once accepted into the program, information regarding health and other program specific requirements will be sent to the student. These requirements must be met prior to enrollment.

**Degree Requirements**

Students must meet all university requirements for a master’s degree. In addition, students must:

- Pass during the last semester of the program, a comprehensive examination and/or presentation over the major area of study as determined by faculty. This examination/presentation will be evaluated by graduate faculty. It may be repeated only once;
- A student may repeat only one nursing course in which a grade of “D” or less is received before being academically removed from the program.

**Required Courses: Advanced Practice Family Nurse Practitioner Concentration (42 Hours)**

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*Students need to research potential sites for clinical hours as soon as they are accepted into the program.

**Total Hours Required – 42; With Thesis – 45 hours**

**Total Clinical Practicum Hours Required – Minimum 500**

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Governors State University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

This information is for reference only. For complete degree information, please refer to the current approved Governors State University catalog online at www.govst.edu/catalog.