Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner, Graduate Certificate

Learning Outcomes

Graduates will be able to:

- demonstrate high-quality, evidence-based clinical competence in the advanced practice care of a new patient population focus;
- utilize scientific underpinnings for the advanced practice care of a new patient population focus; and
- incorporate principles of inclusive, compassionate, person-centered care into the delivery of health care.

Requirements

The graduate Certificate in Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner requires 21 s.h. of credit. Students must maintain a UI cumulative grade-point average of at least 2.50 in coursework for the certificate. The certificate is available for post-master's Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) degree students who would like to pursue a second specialty.

The curriculum includes didactic and clinical core courses as well as specialty courses, as determined by the director of the program. Coursework and clinical hours are determined by a gap analysis.

The Certificate in Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner requires the following coursework.

Coursework

First Year

Course #	Title	Hours
NURS:5035	Graduate Pharmacology Specialty	3
NURS:5038	Advanced Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures for Acute Care	1
NURS:6410	Adult-Gerontology Acute Care I	3
NURS:6411	Adult-Gerontology Acute Care II	3
NURS:6701	Advanced Practice Clinical Practicum I	4
NURS:6702	Advanced Practice Clinical Practicum II	4

Second Year

Course #	Title	Hours
NURS:6703	Advanced Practice Clinical Practicum III	3

Graduate Education

Graduate education prepares students with advanced knowledge and skills in specialized fields. At the University of Iowa, the Graduate College advocates for student-centered graduate education and supports equitable application of rules and policies across graduate programs.

Academics

University of Iowa graduate credentials are regulated by policies and requirements found in the Graduate College Manual of Rules and Regulations. This includes minimum grade-point average (GPA) requirements for academic standing and degree conferral. The Graduate College sets the minimum requirement. Individual graduate programs may establish higher GPA requirements.

Admissions

Graduate student applicants must meet admission requirements for both the Graduate College and the program to which they have applied. University of Iowa graduate admission requirements are published by the Graduate College and on the Graduate Admissions website.

Financial Support

Graduate students might be eligible for financial support. Several contingencies apply, including degree program and award type, satisfactory progress toward degree, satisfactory completion of all duties related to an appointment, and availability of funding. Graduate students should inquire directly with their program for more information about funding availability. The Graduate Student Employment Standards govern the employment relationship between the University of Iowa and all graduate teaching and research assistants in all matters except wages, which are covered by an existing collective bargaining agreement or the conditions of an applicable federal grant.

Admission

The application deadline for the certificate is Feb. 1. See Post-Graduate Certificate Programs on the College of Nursing website for admission requirements and application details.