

GERONTOLOGY (ADVANCED CERTIFICATE)

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Program Description

New York University Rory Meyers College of Nursing, in collaboration with the Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing, offers a post-master's advanced certificate in gerontology program. This program is most applicable for (1) adult nurse practitioners who need the gerontology content to meet eligibility requirements for the national Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner certification exam; (2) nurse practitioners who want to further their ability to provide comprehensive interprofessional primary care to older adults with multiple chronic conditions; and (3) nurse practitioners who want to further their knowledge in gerontology.

The advanced certificate in gerontology addresses a need for adult nurse practitioners prepared in care of adults prior to the adoption of *The Consensus Model for APRN Regulation: Licensure, Accreditation, Certification & Education* endorsed in 2008 by 48 nursing organizations. The program provides nurse practitioners in primary care with the ability to (1) have advanced knowledge and skills in the management of complex, frail, community dwelling older adults with multiple chronic conditions, and (2) implement effective care for this growing population within a high functioning, interprofessional team that utilizes evidence-based practice to achieve quality outcomes. The curriculum incorporates Interprofessional Education and Practice (IPEP) online modules to provide clinicians with information about caring for older adults in interprofessional teams.

Admissions

The application for our Advanced Certificate programs (<https://apply.nursing.nyu.edu/apply/>) is available. All applicants to our Advanced Certificate programs are required to submit the following documents at the time of application:

1. One (1) transcript from each post-secondary school attended. We can review applications with unofficial transcripts. Admitted students will be asked to submit official transcripts prior to beginning coursework at NYU Meyers.
2. Resume.
3. A two- to three-page personal statement.
4. At least two (2) letters of recommendation.
5. RN license and registration certificate. You may submit an application with an out-of-state license, but admitted students must obtain a New York State RN license prior to beginning coursework at NYU Meyers.

Applicants who have attended a post-secondary institution outside of the United States are required to upload one (1) transcript from each post-secondary school attended and submit one (1) official course-by-course evaluation of each foreign transcript directly to our office at the time of application. Your application will not be reviewed without these documents. Please mail your official course-by-course evaluation(s) to:

NYU Rory Meyers College of Nursing
Office of Student Affairs and Admissions
433 First Avenue, LL1

New York, NY 10010

For applicants whose native language is not English, a copy of your latest TOEFL or IELTS score is required. Admitted students will be asked to submit official test scores prior to beginning coursework at NYU Meyers. We require a minimum TOEFL internet-based score of 100 and an IELTS Band score of 7.

See Advanced Certificate (<https://nursing.nyu.edu/academics/advanced-certificate/?tgid=nyunursing-tabs-2426&tid=apply>) for additional admission instructions and eligibility requirements.

Program Requirements

The advanced certificate in gerontology is a minimum one-year, 12-credit (4 courses) post-master's certificate program focusing on interprofessional primary care to older adults with multiple chronic conditions. A gap analysis is completed to make sure these courses would be sufficient for certification or if additional courses are needed. There are approximately 250 precepted clinical hours in primary care gerontology, also based on GAP analysis, to be completed to meet competencies.

Course	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
NURSE-GN 2176		3
NURSE-GN 2177		3
NURSE-GN 2187		3
NURSE-GN 2188		3
Total Credits		12

Sample Plan of Study

Course	Title	Credits
1st Semester/Term		
NURSE-GN 2176		3
		Credits
		3
2nd Semester/Term		
NURSE-GN 2177		3
		Credits
		3
3rd Semester/Term		
NURSE-GN 2187		3
		Credits
		3
4th Semester/Term		
NURSE-GN 2188		3
		Credits
		3
		Total Credits
		12

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the program, graduates will:

1. Demonstrate critical thinking and decision-making based on a synthesis of appropriate theories and evidence from nursing and other sciences as related to the roles of nurse practitioners, nurse-midwives, and/or roles as educators, administrators, informaticists, or clinical research nurses.
2. Perform role competencies defined by national professional organizations for nurse practitioners, or nurse-midwifery roles and/or roles as educator, administrator, informaticist, or clinical research nurse.

3. Demonstrate evidence-informed decision-making related to a specific advanced practice role.
4. Advocate for universal access to quality and cost-effective healthcare for all populations across the lifespan.
5. Collaborate as members of interprofessional teams to achieve high-quality and cost-effective health outcomes.
6. Demonstrate advanced professional practice role competencies related to educational, leadership, policy, organizational, and management outcomes.
7. Demonstrate ethical decision-making in the context of personal and professional codes and guidelines.
8. Articulate a personal and professional philosophy about the Advanced Practice Nursing role that reflects patient-centered care, respect for diversity, cultural values, and a commitment to the preservation of human rights based on professional standards of practice, scope of practice, and respective professional codes of ethics.
9. Evaluate patient outcomes in relation to improving quality and patient safety.
10. Demonstrate effective written, verbal, and technological communication skills that influence the achievement of professional and health-related client outcomes in organizational, legislative, and policy settings.

Policies

NYU Policies

University-wide policies can be found on the New York University Policy pages (<https://bulletins.nyu.edu/nyu/policies/>).

College of Nursing Policies

Additional academic policies can be found on the College of Nursing academic policies page (<https://bulletins.nyu.edu/graduate/nursing/academic-policies/>).