

# PALLIATIVE CARE NURSE PRACTITIONER (ADVANCED CERTIFICATE)

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## Program Description

Palliative care focuses on optimizing quality of life in patients with advanced illness. Palliative care nurse practitioners assist patients and families to identify their goals of care and match treatment to meet these goals, while emphasizing physical, emotional, and spiritual symptom management. Palliative care is appropriate at any stage of illness and is optimally provided at the same time as disease treatment.

The palliative care specialty can be added to any population nurse practitioner program. The scope of practice of the palliative care specialty provides care to diverse patient populations of all ages, across all clinical settings, including acute, primary, long-term, mental health, and community care settings.

## 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. Applicants 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. Applications will not be reviewed without these documents. Please mail 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 the applicant's 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.

## Eligibility

- Master's degree in nursing
- GPA of 3.0
- NYS nursing license prior to beginning coursework
- Ability to successfully complete the academic and clinical requirements of the advanced certificate programs
- Prior to entering the specialty courses of a respective nursing master's program, at least one year of full-time clinical experience as a registered nurse is required

## Important Notes

We encourage applicants to fill out a FAFSA form at the time that they apply.

Applicants are encouraged to apply early. All deadlines listed are 'in office' deadlines, not postmark deadlines. It is always to the candidate's best advantage to apply early, especially when applying for financial aid. Should any of the dates listed fall on a weekend, the deadline will be the next working day.

Applicants may check on the status of their application using their application login. Should applicants have any questions about the admissions process, they are encouraged to call the Office of Student Affairs and Admissions at 212-998-5317.

## Application Fee

The application fee is \$85 dollars. Applications will not be processed until the application fee has been paid. Application fees are non-refundable and must be received by the stated application deadlines.

## Fee Waivers

NYU Meyers waives fees for applications based on financial hardship or US military service/US veteran status. To request that the application fee be waived, please submit a request to [nursing.admissions@nyu.edu](mailto:nursing.admissions@nyu.edu) when submitting an application. The request should include the applicant's full name and the program to which they are applying. We will notify applicants via email when their request for an application fee waiver has been approved.

## Program Requirements

The advanced certificate requires the completion of 12 credits, comprised of the following:

| Course                  | Title  | Credits   |
|-------------------------|--|-----------|
| <b>Required Courses</b> |  |           |
| NURSE-GN 2100           | Palliative Care Clinical Seminar: Advanced Certificate Program | 3         |
| NURSE-GN 2097           | Introduction to Palliative Care                                | 3         |
| NURSE-GN 2098           | Adv Pall Care Theory   | 3         |
| NURSE-GN 2099           | Pall Care Adv Practicum  | 3         |
| <b>Total Credits</b>    |  | <b>12</b> |

## Sample Plan of Study

| Course                   | Title  | Credits   |
|--------------------------|--|-----------|
| <b>1st Semester/Term</b> |  |           |
| NURSE-GN 2097            | Introduction to Palliative Care                                | 3         |
| <b>2nd Semester/Term</b> |  |           |
| NURSE-GN 2100            | Palliative Care Clinical Seminar: Advanced Certificate Program | 3         |
| <b>3rd Semester/Term</b> |  |           |
| NURSE-GN 2098            | Adv Pall Care Theory   | 3         |
| <b>4th Semester/Term</b> |  |           |
| NURSE-GN 2099            | Pall Care Adv Practicum  | 3         |
| <b>Credits</b>           |  | <b>3</b>  |
| <b>Total Credits</b>     |  | <b>12</b> |

## 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/>).

## 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/>).