

**NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY
GRADUATE STUDIES IN RESEARCH AND NURSING**

**PSYCHIATRIC MENTAL HEALTH NURSE PRACTITIONER - LIFESPAN
FULL TIME CURRICULUM PATTERN**

| Semester Course Number | Course Title | Credit Hours | Lab Hours | Clinical Hours | Didactic Hours |
|---------------------------------------|---|-------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| FALL | | | | | |
| 5000 | Orientation | 0 | | | |
| 5120 | Theory-Oriented Nursing Practice | 3 | | | 45 |
| 5280 | Advanced Pathophysiology | 3 | | | 45 |
| 5700 | Methods of Clinical Nursing Assessment | 3 | | 48 | 32 |
| 5710 | Pharmacotherapeutics | 3 | | | 45 |
| SPRING | | | | | |
| 5960 | Psychopharmacology and Neurobiology | 3 | | | 45 |
| 5010 | Research in Nursing | 3 | | | 45 |
| 5830 | Role of NP in clinical Practice | 2 | | | 30 |
| 5910 | PMHNP I: Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning Across the Lifespan | 3 | | 112 | 30 |
| SUMMER | | | | | |
| 5995 | Research Seminar | 1 | | | 15 |
| 5810 | Family Dynamics | 3 | | | 45 |
| 5920 | PMHNP II: Psychotherapeutic Modalities | 3 | | 112 | 30 |
| FALL | | | | | |
| 5996 | Research Seminar II (enroll until complete) | 2 | | | 30 |
| 5100 | Social Forces in Nursing Practice | 3 | | | 45 |
| 5840 | Role of the NP in Business | 2 | | | 30 |
| 5930 | PMHNP III: Care of the Child/Adolescent and Older Adult | 3 | | 112 | 30 |
| SPRING | | | | | |
| 5940 | PMHNP IV: Evidence Based Management of Complex Patients and Populations | 4 | | 224 | 30 |
| TOTAL | | 44 | 0 | 608 | 572 |

Part time studies available, with entry into nonclinical courses any semester.