

Missouri Western State University

Plan of Study for Master of Science in Nursing **Nurse Educator Track** **Sample Program**

Year One: Fall Courses	Year One: Spring Courses
NUR 501: Foundations for Nursing Leadership (3)	NUR 503: Advanced Pathopharmacology (3)
NUR 502: Advanced Health Assessment & Health Promotion (3)	NUR 504: Professional Role Development in Nursing (3)
NUR 505: Nursing Seminar I (1)	6
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Year Two: Fall Courses	Year Two: Spring Courses
NUR 507: Statistics for Decision Support (3)	NUR 610: Instructional & Evaluation Strategies (3)
NUR 608: Curriculum & Program Development (3)	NUR 616: Research for Evidence-Based Nursing (3)
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Year Three: Fall Courses	Year Three: Spring Courses
NUR 606: Informatics for Decision Support (3)	NUR 650: Internship for the Health Care Leader (3)
NUR 624: Nursing Seminar II (1)	3
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Total Hours = 32

Course Descriptions:

NUR 501: *Foundations for Nursing Leadership (3 credits)*

Generally offered: Fall

Historic, contemporary and evolving theories and concepts from nursing and related disciplines provide the framework for examination of nursing leadership in a variety of settings.

NUR 502: *Advanced Health Assessment & Health Promotion (3 credits)*

Generally offered: Fall

This course focuses on detailed health history taking, advanced physical assessment skills with an emphasis on diagnostic reasoning and communication, and documentation of findings throughout the life span.

NUR 503: *Advanced Pathopharmacology (3 credits)*

Generally offered: Spring

This course focuses on integration of advanced concepts of pathophysiology and related pharmacologic interventions across the lifespan.

NUR 504: *Professional Role Development for Nursing Leaders (3 credits)*

Generally offered: Spring

Role theory provides the integrative foundation for professional nursing leadership at the individual, interpersonal, organizational and societal levels. Roles are explored in relation to standards-based practice with an emphasis on human resources management and workforce development.

NUR 505: *Nursing Seminar I (1 credit)*

Generally offered: Fall

This seminar supports orientation to the graduate curriculum and related knowledge, skills and competencies that will be integrated throughout the program.

NUR 507: *Statistics for Decision Support (3 credits)*

Generally offered: Fall

An examination of statistics with practical application to healthcare data management and decision support. Emphasis on quantitative research methods as a foundation for evidence-based health care decision-making.

Prerequisite: Successful completion of an undergraduate statistics course. It is also recommended that students have a minimum working knowledge of basic Excel or SPSS functions prior to taking this course.

- NUR 606: *Informatics for Decision Support (3 credits)*** Generally offered: Fall
Integration of concepts from nursing, computer and information science to assist the student in the management, communication and assimilation of data necessary for informed clinical decision-making. Students will gain experience in information processes, structures, and technologies to promote quality outcomes.
- NUR 608: *Curriculum & Program Development (3 credits)*** Generally offered: Fall
The philosophical foundations, principles & issues involved in curriculum & program development are explored. Curriculum designs, frameworks, implementation and program outcomes are considered in view of contemporary forces & issues in nursing education.
- NUR 610: *Instructional & Evaluation Strategies (3 credits)*** Generally offered: Spring
An integrated approach to traditional and innovative instructional and evaluation strategies for classroom, simulation lab and clinical practice is explored.
- NUR 616: *Research for Evidence-Based Nursing (3 Credits)*** Generally offered: Spring
This course focuses on elements of rigorous research approaches including analyzing and interpreting study outcomes. Theory, researchable practice problems, research methods, as well as ethical considerations are examined.
- NUR 624: *Nursing Seminar II (1 credit)*** Generally offered: Fall
This seminar supports the preparatory phase for the Internship experience.
- NUR 650: *Internship for the Health Care Leader (3 credits)*** Generally offered: Spring
Synthesize and apply knowledge and experience from graduate courses to enhance preparation for advanced leadership. *Prerequisite:* NUR 501, 502, 503, 504, 507, 606, 608, 610, 616, 618, 624

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the course information; however, the MWSU Registrar is the authoritative source for this information. Also, please see the section on Course Level.

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