

# POST MASTER'S CLINICAL NURSE SPECIALIST (CNS)

The Post-Masters AGCNS (PM-AGCNS) curriculum provides those already possessing a master's degree in nursing with additional course and clinical work to fulfill the requirements for Adult-Gerontology Clinical Nurse Specialist Certification. This includes 600 practicum hours with appropriately credentialed preceptors in practice settings. Following a transcript evaluation, it may be determined that AGCNS Certificate applicants must take additional coursework to fulfill the requirements. Essential courses include a course focused on advanced practice nursing role responsibilities and 3 advanced science courses. If these requirements were met during their previous graduate studies, Post Master's AGCNS students are required to take a 0-credit orientation, the 3 certificate theory courses (MSN 700, MSN 701, and MSN 730), with the partnering practicum courses.

*Note: Readiness for initial advanced practice nurse prescriber application requires a clinical pharmacology course within the five preceding years.*

## Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Prerequisites</b>		
MSN-615	Adv Practice Roles & Nursing Theories	3
MSN-621	Advanced Physiology & Pathophysiology	3
MSN-622	Advanced Health & Physical Assessment	3
MSN-623	Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics & Clinical Decision Making	3

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<b>Requirements</b>		
MSN-600A	Orientation to Post Masters Program	0
MSN-700 & 700P	Advanced Practice Nursing: Individual and Population Based Health and CNS Practicum 1 (Adv Prac Nursing: Ind & Population-Bsd Hlth)	5
MSN-701 & 701P	Advanced Practice Nursing: Program Development & Evaluation and CNS Practicum 2 (Adv Prac Nursing: Prog Dev & Eval) (Adv Prac Nursing: Prog Dev & Eval)	5
MSN-730 & 730P	Advanced Practice Nursing: Leadership For System Improvement and CNS Practicum 3 (Adv Prac Nursing : Ldrshp for System Improvement)	5