

# MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (RN/MSN) - PSYCHIATRIC NURSE PRACTITIONER (PMHNP) (ONLINE)

Department: Nursing (<https://catalog.bradley.edu/graduate/education-health-sciences/nursing/>)

This 60-semester hour specialty track in the MSN program prepares graduates as psychiatric/mental health nurse practitioners (PMHNP). Students complete a total of 650 clinical practicum hours supervised by qualified preceptors. The goal of the program is to prepare graduates with the knowledge and skills necessary to deliver psychiatric/mental health advanced practice nursing across the lifespan in various mental health care settings. Upon completion of the program, graduates are eligible to sit for the PMHNP specialty certification examination administered by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) or American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP).

## Admissions

1. Applicants must have an RN degree from a CNEA or ACEN accredited Diploma or Associate's Degree nursing program, or with a non-nursing baccalaureate degree.
2. Proof of a current unencumbered nursing license.
3. A nursing grade point average of 3.0 based on a 4.0 scale.

\*Applicants with deficiencies in the requirements will be evaluated on an individual basis.

| Code    | Title  | Hours |
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| BIO 526 | Advanced Pathophysiology   | 3.0   |
| COU 510 | Statistical Procedures   | 3.0   |
| NUR 501 | Nursing Theories: Analysis and Development                       | 3.0   |
| NUR 526 | Evidence Based Practice  | 3.0   |
| NUR 300 | Conceptual Bases for Professional Nursing (theory)               | 3.0   |
| NUR 303 | Research in Nursing  | 3.0   |
| NUR 404 | Community Health Nursing - Theory                                | 2.0   |
| NUR 407 | Community Health Practicum RN-MSN                                | 1.0   |
| NUR 600 | Advanced Health Assessment                                       | 3.0   |
| NUR 615 | Health Informatics   | 3.0   |
| NUR 640 | Healthcare Policy  | 3.0   |
| NUR 651 | Advanced Pharmacology I  | 3.0   |
| NUR 680 | Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) Roles Roles | 3.0   |
| NUR 682 | Psychopharmacology and Neurophysiology for the PMHNP             | 3.0   |
| NUR 684 | Advanced Psychiatric Interviewing and Differential Diagnosis     | 3.0   |
| NUR 685 | PMHNP Continuum of Care Across the Lifespan and Practicum I      | 6.0   |

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| NUR 686            | PMHNP Continuum of Care Across the Lifespan and Practicum II | 6.0       |
| NUR 687            | PMHNP Sub-Specialty Focus and Practicum III                  | 4.0       |
| NUR 688            | Professional Aspects of the PMHNP                            | 2.0       |
| <b>Total Hours</b> |  | <b>60</b> |

## Comprehensive Assessment

All students are required to take a comprehensive assessment prior to graduation.