

Health Care: A Career For Life

NURSE PRACTITIONER - Masters of Nursing

SALARY RANGE
\$90,000 - \$114,000

RECOMMENDED HIGH SCHOOL COURSES

- Biology 40S
- Chemistry 40S
- PRE CAL 40S
- English 40S

JOB DESCRIPTION

Nurse Practitioners (NPs) are Registered Nurses (RNs) with advanced educational preparation (generally a Masters degree in Nursing) and experience who possess and demonstrate the competencies to autonomously diagnose, order and interpret diagnostic tests, prescribe pharmaceuticals and perform specific procedures within their legislated scope of practice (Canadian Nurses Association, CNPI, 2006). NPs provide health care services to individuals of all ages, families and communities, emphasizing health promotion and disease prevention. NPs work in a variety settings including community clinics, emergency departments, specialty acute care settings, and long-term care facilities. NPs work autonomously and in collaboration with a variety of health care professionals to engage patients as partners to address health care needs.

There are different types of nurse practitioners providing care to people of all ages, families, groups and communities. Nurse practitioners work in a variety of health-care settings, including community clinics, health-care centres, doctors' offices, nurse practitioner-led clinics, nursing homes, hospitals and the homes of patients.

<https://www.crnmb.ca/about/registered-nursing/registered-nurse-nurse-practitioner>

What is the difference between an RN & and RN(NP)?

- An RN(NP) can prescribe drugs
- An RN(NP) can order and manage the results of screening and diagnostic tests
- An RN(NP) can perform minor surgical and invasive procedures
- RN(NP)'s consult and collaborate with other health-care professionals when needed to ensure the overall health-care needs of clients are met.

WEB LINKS

Nurse Practitioners Association of Manitoba <http://www.nursepractitioner.ca>

Nurse Practitioners' Association of Ontario <http://www.npao.org>

Ontario Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner Programme training NPs for Ontario <http://np-education.ca>

NP Central <http://www.npcentral.net>

NAPNAP National Association of Pediatric Nurse Associates and Practitioners <http://www.napnap.org>

Health Leadership Associates helping nurse practitioners prepare for certification <http://www.healthleadership.com>

National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties leadership in quality NP education <http://www.nonpf.com>

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www.mhpnetwork.ca



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UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA - NURSE PRACTITIONER MAJOR

The Master of Nursing Program at the University of Manitoba prepares nurses for advanced practice and leadership roles. The program builds on experiential knowledge and fosters critical enquiry. Graduate nursing education builds on undergraduate education through the integration of theory, research, and practice. Our graduates are prepared as leaders in advanced nursing practice. Graduates will influence the domains of education, research, administration, practice and nursing knowledge and outcomes.

The College of Nursing offers a graduate program (NP stream) which, upon completion, leads to a Master of Nursing degree. This degree is achieved through an innovative, course-based, non-thesis program of study comprised of 45 credit hours and more than 700 clinical hours at the advanced practice level.

The goal of the Nurse Practitioner stream is to prepare nurses with the advanced knowledge and skills to function as first line providers of health care and health promotion in primary care, to clients throughout the life span. The program of study, taught by an interdisciplinary faculty, provides a strong basis in physiology, pathophysiology, pharmacology, advanced health assessment, community health, evidence informed practice and role development. Five clinical courses, including the clinical consolidation, are designed to address the common health needs of individuals and families, including health promotion and wellness strategies, and management of episodic and stable chronic illnesses.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. A baccalaureate degree in nursing from an approved or accredited university.
2. Official transcript(s) (statement of course work and grades obtained) of all academic records from courses taken at all degree-granting institutions.
3. Completion of a Research Methods course and an introductory Statistics course with a minimum grade of 2.5 (C+) in each course.
4. A minimum adjusted grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 (B) in the last 60 credit hours of university study.
5. Three (3) letters of reference indicating the applicant's academic and/or professional qualifications, and the ability to succeed and thrive in the program to which the person has applied.
6. Proof of active practicing nurse registration in with the College of Registered Nurses of Manitoba (CRNM) is a program requirement.
7. A minimum of two years or equivalent (3,600 hours) full time clinical practice within the past five years is required.
8. A resume/curriculum vitae that includes the following:
 - o past educational preparation;
 - o employment experience, indicating level of responsibility;
 - o community service including involvement in professional associations;
 - o awards and honours;
 - o research projects;
 - o publications;
 - o continuing education;
 - o innovation in clinical practice; &
 - o any other supporting information.
9. Statement of Intent (500 words) - statement of career goals and reasons for applying to the Nurse Practitioner stream, Master of Nursing Program.
10. Proficiency in English
11. Applicants must be prepared to submit documentation as outlined in the College's Non-Academic Admission Requirements by July 15. Please follow the link for details.
12. An interview may be required.

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