

POST MASTERS CERTIFICATE IN ADULT GERONTOLOGY ACUTE CARE NURSE PRACTITIONER

Admission Requirements

1. Bachelor's and Master's degrees from regionally-accredited institutions (Note: This must be able to be obtained prior to Orientation)
 - Degrees in nursing from NLN or CCNE accredited programs are preferred.
 - A nurse practitioner (NP) track within the Master's program is required.
 - Official transcripts for each institution attended must be mailed from the issuing institution's Registrar directly to NursingCAS. NursingCAS cannot process transcripts that are stamped "Issued to Student." To expedite the process be sure to include the Transcript Request Form from the "Colleges Attended" section in "Academic History."
 - Applicants are required to list all institutions attended in the "Colleges Attended" section under "Academic History" even if no degree was awarded.
 - Applicants with international transcripts should refer to the "Additional Requirements for International Transcripts" section below. International degrees must be equivalent to those in the U.S.
2. Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 for the Bachelor's and Master's degrees
3. Minimum prerequisite coursework
 - Applicants must have at least three credits of graduate-level coursework in each of the following areas:
 - Advanced Pathophysiology
 - Advanced Pharmacology
 - Advanced Physical/Health Assessment
4. Two letters of recommendation, preferably from individuals with doctorates in nursing
 - At least one reference from an academic source.
 - Complete the "References" section to request electronic recommendations.
5. Statement of professional goals
 - Discuss the reasons for applying to the Post-Master's Acute Certificate program at the University of Miami and how it fits into personal, educational, and professional goals.
 - Upload in the "Documents" tab under "Personal Statement."
6. Current CV/resume
 - The CV/resume should include work and volunteer activities, licensures and other certifications, awards, professional organizations, and academic experiences.
 - Upload in the "Documents" tab under "CV/Resume."
7. Current, unrestricted RN license to practice nursing in the State of Florida (Note: This must be able to be obtained prior to Orientation)
 - Upload in the "Documents" tab under "License."
 - International students must have a United States Social Security number to obtain a Florida RN license.
8. National certification in a nursing specialty
 - Upload in the "Documents" tab under "Certification."

Degree Requirements

A Post-Graduate Certificate in Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner is available to students who possess an MSN or DNP degree and who wish to focus in this specific area of advanced practice nursing and nursing education. All students are required to complete core courses for their selected area of study and may be required to take additional courses at the graduate level based on their gap analysis.

Once the gap analysis is complete, students will be issued a Plan of Study specific to their level of preparation. The Post-Graduate Certificate program is then lock-step, which means students must complete the coursework as specified in their Plan of Study and must successfully complete the courses in each semester to progress to the next. Questions related to degree requirements should be directed to the appropriate Associate Dean or Program Director, or staff member in the OSS (http://www.miami.edu/sonhs/index.php/sonhs/office_of_student_services/).

Curriculum Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Required Courses		
NUR 610	Adult Gerontology Acute Care I	4
NUR 621	Diagnostics and Nursing Interventions for Acute Care Nursing	3
NUR 625	Adult Gerontology Acute Care II	7

NUR 638	Adult Gerontology Acute Care III	6
Total Credit Hours		20