



# Master's Degree in Nursing Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP)

## Accelerate your career as an advanced practiced registered nurse

*Take the next step to advancing your career with a Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) degree from Goodwin University. In our program, you'll sharpen key skills needed to advance your nursing career. We combine classroom teaching with in-person clinical experiences, giving you a well-rounded understanding of how to apply what you've learned in a real patient-care setting. If you already have your BSN and are looking to expand your knowledge of the healthcare field, our Family Nurse Practitioner program could be a great fit for you!*

### Build on fundamental concepts

As a PMHNP, you'll advocate for people struggling with often misunderstood mental health conditions. In this program, you'll expand your care-providing skills with the technical knowledge you need to diagnose patients, develop treatment plans, and prescribe medications that help improve your patients' quality of life. Psychiatric mental health nurse practitioners play a critical role in reducing mental health stigma — being a voice for their patients and promoting positive changes in mental health policy.

### Provide patient-centered care

By building on the nursing skills you've already practiced, you'll develop a deeper understanding of the mental health needs of your patients. At Goodwin, you'll apply what you've learned in your online coursework by participating in a cumulative 600 hours of real-world clinical experiences — giving you the hands-on clinical practice you need to jumpstart your career as a PMHNP after graduation.



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Core courses: 50 credits		
NUR 500	Theoretical Basis for Advanced Nursing Practice and Leadership	3
NUR 505	Pathophysiology for Advanced Nursing Practice	3
NUR 510	Pharmacology for Advanced Nursing Practice	3
NUR 520	Neuropsychopharmacology	3
NUR 540	Physical Assessment for Advanced Nursing Practice	3
NUR 605	Current Concepts and Professional Roles in Advanced Nursing Practice	3
NUR 610	Seminar in Nursing Research	3
NUR 620	Policy, Politics, and Organization of Healthcare	3
NUR 655	Assessment and Diagnosis of Mental Health Disorders across the Life Span	3
NUR 665	PMHNP I: Advanced Practice Psychiatric Mental Health Care for the Adult	7
NUR 675	PMHNP II: Advanced Practice Psychiatric Mental Health Care for Children and Older Adults	7
NUR 685	PMHNP III: Advanced Practice Psychiatric Mental Health Care of the Complex Patient	7
NUR 698	Advanced Practice Capstone: Clinical Applications on Population Health	2

**Total credits: 50**

## Flexible options designed for busy working professionals

Goodwin's PMHNP program can be completed in as few as seven semesters part-time. Apart from your on-campus clinicals and two immersion weekends, all your coursework is completed online. You can work full-time while earning your master's degree! Your real-world experience as a nurse will guide you as you explore patient care through a mental health lens. You've worked hard to earn your bachelor's degree — build on those skills by earning your APRN-PMHNP degree.

## Possible workplaces include:

- Acute or urgent care center
- Correctional facilities
- Hospitals
- Long-term care facilities
- Private clinics
- And more!

## Admission requirements:

**Graduate applicants to Goodwin University are required to:**

- Complete a graduate application for admission.
- Pay a \$50 non-refundable application fee (waived for Goodwin graduates).
- Submit an official or unofficial transcript verifying receipt of a bachelor's degree with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0. Your bachelor's degree must be from a college or university accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) or the equivalent of this degree from another country.
- Provide a professional resume.
- Submit proof of immunizations (measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella).

## All Applicants to the PMHNP Program Must:

- Provide a current, unencumbered RN License.
- Submit an official or unofficial transcript verifying receipt of a bachelor's degree in nursing.
- Write a formal 800–1000-word personal statement of your nursing goals. Discuss your professional career goals. Explain how obtaining an MSN in the Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner track at Goodwin University will enable you to fulfil the role of psychiatric nurse practitioner in today's healthcare system.
- Participate in a telephone interview administered by the program director.
- Have a minimum of two or more years of direct patient care RN experience (obtained within the last five years).
- Be able to travel a significant distance to clinical sites, if necessary.
- Pass a background check and a drug screening.

No GRE required! We know you work hard enough, there's no need to pass any exams before you even get into the program.

Goodwin University is a nonprofit institution of higher education accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE), formerly known as the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC).

Goodwin University is a member of SARA and can offer our FNP program to residents of other SARA states.

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