Master of Science in Nursing Nurse-Midwifery – Post-Master's Certificate (Hybrid Primarily Web)

Concentration Description

Nurses with a master's degree in nursing complete the nurse-midwifery concentration courses and select core and/or clinical core courses based on their past course work and experience. Applicants for post-master's certificates complete a non-degree application for the Graduate School and are not required to provide GRE scores. This certificate requires 23 - 41 s.h. depending on the amount of experience.

Requirements for Admission

Admission requires the student to meet the minimum admission requirements for graduate study of the university and the following requirements of the College of Nursing:

- A master of science in nursing degree in nursing from an accredited program
- Current non-restricted license to practice as a registered nurse (RN) in North Carolina or an NCSBN-compact state (Individual advisement may be necessary for licensure regulations for online out-of-state students)
- Must have a minimum of one year hospital-based RN experience (labor and delivery preferred, but not required)
- Demonstrate commitment to practice with underserved populations

Requirements for Clinical Courses

Information regarding clinical requirements can be found in the ECU College of Nursing Student Handbook at: <u>https://nursing.ecu.edu/student-handbook/</u>. Upon admission all graduate students are required to complete a criminal background check. Students will receive specific instructions from the Office of Student Services on how to complete this process. The concentration director will review the post-master's certificate student's transcripts to determine the appropriate plan of study for the individual student.

Required Curriculum

Clinical Core Courses			Nurse-Midwifery Courses		
NURS 6110	Reproductive Physiology	3	NURS 6109	Introductory Nurse-Midwifery Professional Roles	
NURS 6050	Human Physiology and Pathophysiology for			and Issues	2
	Advanced Nursing Practice	3	NURS 6113	Nurse-Midwifery Management: Antepartal Care	4
NURS 6610	Health Assessment for Advanced Nursing		NURS 6115	Nurse-Midwifery Management: Intrapartal Care	4
	Practice	3	NURS 6116	Nurse-Midwifery Management: Postpartal Care	
NURS 6611	Clinical Pharmacology for Advanced Nursing			and Neonatal Care	3
	Practice	3	NURS 6117	Nurse-Midwifery Management: Integration	
NURS 6119	Nurse-Midwifery Management: Introduction			Practicum	7
	to Primary Care for Well Women	3	NURS 6118	Integration of Nurse-Midwifery Professional	
NURS 6112	Nurse-Midwifery Management: Well Women			Roles and Issues	2
	Care	3	*NURS 6993	Advanced Nursing Synthesis	1
	Semester Total if all are needed	18		Semester Total if all are needed	23

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*Students who completed NURS 6993 to earn a previous Master of Science in Nursing degree from East Carolina University will satisfy this requirement by taking NURS 6500, Independent Study, to demonstrate professional competencies of the certificate program.

Requirements for Graduation

- All graduate students are required to maintain a minimum grade average of "B."
- Graduation application must be submitted at least one semester prior to completing the degree requirements as stated in the graduate catalog.
- Students who do not register for courses for a semester must complete an electronic readmission form (available at www.ecu.edu/gradschool/ and in the Graduate School Office).
- Students are required to keep graduate program/health requirements and liability insurance requirements up to date throughout their clinical courses.
- All post-master's certificate students will be required to complete a terminal program assessment as advised by the concentration director in the final semester. (OVER)

- A statement of purpose essay describing the applicant's interest in graduate study, career goals and the certificate's relationship to those goals
- Three professional references, with one reference from an individual who is knowledgeable about the candidate's nursing practice
- A personal interview with a member of the graduate faculty
- A course in statistics with a grade of "C" or higher

The purpose of the concentration is to prepare professional nurses as safe and competent practitioners of Nurse-Midwifery who are eligible for certification by the American Midwifery Certification Board (AMCB) <u>www.amcbmidwife.org</u>. The ECU Nurse-Midwifery Education Program is currently accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Midwifery Education (ACME). 8403 Colesville Road, Suite 1550, Silver Spring, MD 20910-6374, USA. Phone: 240.485.1802. <u>www.midwife.org/acme.</u> (http://www.midwife.org/acme).

The master of science in nursing program at East Carolina University is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, (CCNE) 655 K Street, Suite 750, Washington, DC 20001. Phone: 202.887.6791.

The University

East Carolina University (ECU), a public, four-year university established in 1907, is located in Greenville, North Carolina. ECU has 11 degreegranting colleges/school/institutes. Serving a largely rural population in the coastal region of the state, ECU is one of 17 constituent institutions within the University of North Carolina (UNC) System. ECU accomplishes its mission - to be a national model for student success, public service and regional transformation - through education, research, creative activities and service. As of Fall 2018, ECU is the fourth largest institution in the UNC System. ECU is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral degrees. The UNC System is governed by a Board of Governors, which delegates significant responsibility to ECU's Board of Trustees. The Carnegie Commission on Higher Education classifies ECU as a Doctoral University: Higher Research Activity. In 2010 and 2015, ECU received the Community Engagement Classification from the New England Resource Center for Higher Education..

For more information, contact <u>ECUNursingGradPrgms@ecu.edu</u>

Visit the Nurse-Midwifery Website at: https://nursing.ecu.edu/msn/midwifery/

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