

## **DEGREE REQUIREMENTS/CURRICULUM OUTLINE**

The areas of course work in the MSN Program include Core Courses (15 s.h.), and one of the three options; the Clinical Nurse Specialist – Chronic Illness Care option (27 s.h.), or the Clinical Nurse Specialist -School Nurse option (30 s.h.), or the Nurse Anesthetist option (34 s.h.).

The breakdown of these course requirements is as follows:

### Core Courses (15 semester hours)

NURSG 6900 Professional Issues in Nursing	3 s.h.
NURSG 6901 Nursing Science and Research I	3 s.h.
NURSG 6902 Advanced Pathophysiology	3 s.h.
NURSG 6906 Advanced Statistics	2 s.h.
NURSG 7002 Nursing Science and Research II	2 s.h.
NURSG 7005 Research Practicum	2 s.h.

### Clinical Nurse Specialist –Chronic Illness Care Option (27 semester hours)

NURSG 6903 Advanced Pharmacology	3 s.h.
NURSG 6904 Advanced Health Assessment	3 s.h.
NURSG 6905 Health Assessment Practicum	5 s.h.
NURSG 7000 Chronic Illness Care	3 s.h.
NURSG 7001 Chronic Illness Care Practicum	5 s.h.
NURSG 7003 Role Development	3 s.h.
NURSG 7004 Role Development Practicum	5 s.h.

### Clinical Nurse Specialist-School Nurse Option (30 semester hours)

FOUND 6902 Sociological Bases of Education	3 s.h.
SPED 5802 Education of Exceptional Children	3 s.h.
NURSG 6907 Health Assessment of School Children	3 s.h.
NURSG 6908 Health Assessment of School Children Practicum	5 s.h.
NURSG 7014 Health Management in Schools	3 s.h.
NURSG 7015 Health Management in Schools Practicum	5 s.h.
NURSG 7016 School Nurse Role	3 s.h.
NURSG 7017 School Nurse Role Practicum	5 s.h.

### Nurse Anesthetist Option (34 semester hours)

NURSG 6910 Professional Aspects of Nurse Anesthesia	3 s.h.
NURSG 6911 Pharmacology 1	3 s.h.
NURSG 6912 Pharmacology 2	3 s.h.
NURSG 6913 Chemistry and Medical Physics in Anesthesia Practice	3 s.h.
NURSG 6914 Human Anatomy, Physiology, and Pathophysiology	3 s.h.
NURSG 6916 Anesthesia Principles 1	2 s.h.
NURSG 7010 Human Anatomy, Physiology, and Pathophysiology 2	3 s.h.
NURSG 7011 Anesthesia Principles 2	6 s.h.
NURSG 7012 Anesthesia Principles 3	8 s.h.

The total semester hours required for the Nurse Anesthetist option are greater than the usual hour requirements for other Masters Programs at YSU. The increased number of hours is necessary in order to meet the COA requirements for a nurse anesthesia program.

Complete course descriptions are located in the Youngstown State University Graduate Bulletin and the MSN Graduate Handbook. To request a copy of the Youngstown State University Graduate Bulletin or an admission application for the Clinical Nurse Specialist – Chronic Illness Care option or the Clinical Nurse Specialist – School Nurse option, or the Nurse Anesthetist option, please contact the Youngstown State University School of Graduate Studies and Research at 330-941-3091.