

POST-GRADUATE COMPLETION (NON-NURSE PRACTITIONER)

Post-Graduate Completion Program Outcome (Non-Degree)

The Post-Graduate Completion Program is designed to provide an opportunity for the student to become a leader. The graduate makes significant contributions to the improvement of health care and influences health care policy through advanced clinical practice and research in order to meet the current needs of society.

Education at the post-graduate level prepares graduates to assume leadership roles in clinical practice, nursing administration and nursing education. Advanced nursing practice graduates are prepared for entry into doctoral education.

Upon completion of Cizik School of Nursing at UTHealth Houston's post-graduate program, learners should be able to:

1. Demonstrate mastery of specialized knowledge and skills that will promote functioning in an advanced nursing role.
2. Integrate nursing science with knowledge from ethics, informatics, and the biophysical, psychosocial, and organizational sciences into advanced nursing practice.
3. Integrate evidence into practice to achieve optimal health care outcomes.
4. Collaborate within interprofessional teams to promote delivery of safe, value-driven, equitable, and high-quality health care.
5. Utilize leadership skills to change health outcomes for diverse individuals and populations.

The non-degree Post-Graduate Completion Programs of study combine online courses with face-to-face courses and clinical experiences offering flexibility to students. The curriculum varies per track. Students have the following areas from which to choose:

- Post-Graduate Completion: Nursing Leadership and Administration (<https://catalog.uth.edu/nursing/programs/post-graduate-completion-programs/non-nurse-practitioner/nursing-leadership-admin/>)
- Post-Graduate Completion: Emergency/Trauma (<https://catalog.uth.edu/nursing/programs/post-graduate-completion-programs/non-nurse-practitioner/emergency-trauma/>)
- Post-Graduate Completion: Nursing Education (<https://catalog.uth.edu/nursing/programs/post-graduate-completion-programs/non-nurse-practitioner/nursing-education/>)

Academic Requirements for Progression

To be eligible for completion with a Post-Graduate Completion Program, a student must:

- have a minimum cumulative 3.0 grade point average;
- successfully complete the prescribed curriculum for which they are registered and must meet all other requirements of the Cizik School of Nursing;
- submit official transcripts of any courses taken outside the Cizik School of Nursing to the UTHealth Houston Office of the Registrar;

- Complete the graduate curriculum within five years from admission for MSN students or three years for post-graduate students or have been granted an extension by the Master's Council.
- apply to graduation in MyUTH prior to the established deadline each term;
- pay the required graduation fee of \$150;
- complete the clearance packet and clear through all designated offices; and
- be enrolled during the term of graduation program completion.

See policy G5440 Eligibility for Graduation/Completion (<https://nursing.uth.edu/academic-affairs/policies/documents/msnpolicies/g5440.pdf?v=51544959>) for more information.