

Kansas Administrative Regulations

State Board of Nursing

Article 17.—Advanced Nursing Program

60-17-105. Curriculum requirements.

(a) The faculty in each advanced nursing program shall fulfill these requirements:

(1) Identify the competencies of the graduate for each role of advanced nursing practice for which the advanced nursing program provides instruction;

(2) determine the approach and content for learning experiences;

(3) direct clinical instruction as an integral part of the advanced nursing program;
and

(4) provide for learning experiences of the depth and scope needed to fulfill the objectives or outcomes of advanced nursing courses.

(b) The curriculum in each advanced nursing program shall include all of the following:

(1) Role alignment related to the distinction between practice as a registered professional nurse and the advanced role of an advanced practice registered nurse as specified in K.A.R. 60-11-101;

(2) theoretical instruction in the role or roles of advanced nursing practice for which the program provides instruction;

(3) the health care delivery system;

(4) the ethical and legal implications of advanced nursing practice;

(5) three semester credit hours or the academic equivalent in advanced pharmacology;

(6) three semester credit hours or the academic equivalent in advanced pathophysiology and three semester credit hours or the academic equivalent in advanced health assessment for licensure as an advanced practice registered nurse in a role other than nurse anesthesia and nurse midwifery;

(7) for any advanced nursing program completed after July 1, 2009, three semester credit hours or the academic equivalent in advanced pathophysiology and three semester credit hours or the academic equivalent in advanced health assessment; and

(8) clinical instruction in the area of specialization, which shall include the following:

(A) Performance of or ordering diagnostic procedures;

(B) evaluation of diagnostic and assessment findings; and

(C) the prescription of medications and other treatment modalities for client conditions.

(c)(1) Each advanced nursing program shall consist of at least 45 semester credit hours or the academic equivalent.

(2) The clinical component shall consist of at least 260 practice hours. After January 1, 2003, the clinical component shall consist of at least 500 practice hours. After July 1, 2009, the clinical component shall consist of at least 500 practice hours in each clinical track, or the advanced nursing program shall provide documentation of the overlap if any clinical track consists of less than 500 practice hours. After March 1, 2025, the clinical component shall consist of at least 750 practice hours in each clinical track. The advanced nursing program shall provide documentation if any clinical track consists of less than 750 practice hours. Practice hours of 750 or less must be precepted with a physician or advanced practice registered nurse. Any practice hours over 750 may be precepted with a licensed interdisciplinary professional with a health science degree at a master's level or above.

(d) Each nurse administrator shall meet the following requirements:

(1) Develop and implement a program evaluation plan; and

(2) submit any major revision to the curriculum of advanced nursing courses for board approval at least 30 days before a meeting of the board. The following shall be considered major revisions to the curriculum:

(A) Any significant change in the plan of curriculum organization; and

(B) any change in content.

(e) Each nurse administrator shall submit all revisions that are not major revisions, as defined in paragraph (d)(2), to the board or the board's designee for approval.

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