The Post-Master's Psychiatric–Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) Certificate option is intended for the master's or doctoral-prepared advanced practice nurse who desires formal education and clinical training as a Psychiatric–Mental Health Nurse Practitioner.

The plan of study includes all the required courses currently offered in the PMHNP specialty except for the statistics and research course. For purposes of student eligibility for certification, all PMHNP required courses must be taken at the Yale School of Nursing or challenged by either examination or demonstration of similar course content in the student’s previous master's program. A plan of study may be obtained from the specialty director.

The Post-Master’s Psychiatric–Mental Health Certificate option is intended to prepare students to apply for certification as a psychiatric–mental health nurse practitioner with a lifespan focus through the American Nurses Credentialing Center.