DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

An alternative to research-focused doctoral programs, the doctor of nursing practice (DNP) advances professional nursing roles in clinical practice and nursing leadership and management. It is designed to develop leaders in health care at the local and national levels. Graduates can incorporate health policy, knowledge of information technology, evidence based practice, business principles, collaboration, health systems, and health policy into practice. A clinical research project immerses students in a practice environment that lays the foundation for future scholarship and success in the nursing field. Students may enter either at the post-bachelor’s or post-master’s level.

Specific admission requirements are shown on the Graduate Program Finder. (http://www.gwu.edu/all-graduate-programs)

Visit the program (https://nursing.gwu.edu/doctor-nursing-practice-dnp) website (https://nursing.gwu.edu/doctor-nursing-practice-dnp-program) for more information.

REQUIREMENTS

Program Options

POST-BACHELOR’S OPTIONS
• Doctor of Nursing Practice–Family Nurse Practitioner
• Doctor of Nursing Practice–Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner

POST-MASTER’S OPTIONS
• Doctor of Nursing Practice
• Doctor of Nursing Practice–Education Concentration
• Doctor of Nursing Practice–Executive Leadership
• Doctor of Nursing Practice–Family Specialty for Nurse Practitioners
• Doctor of Nursing Practice–Health Care Quality
• Doctor of Nursing Practice–Palliative Care Specialty for Nurse Practitioner

Program Requirements

Students who enter the DNP program at the post-master’s level must complete 36 credits of doctoral work. Students who enter the program at the post-bachelor’s level must complete the credit requirements for their concentration (adult gerontology primary care nurse practitioner or family nurse practitioner) before beginning doctoral coursework. Students pursuing a Post-Graduate APRN Certificate: FSNP must complete 500 clinical hours.

Curriculum Requirements

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