

Nursing

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Degrees Offered: FNP/D.N.P.

Application Deadline: Doctor of Nursing Practice, February 28 for BSN to DNP fall admission.

BSN to DNP requires a March interview.

MS/FNP to DNP: Two months prior to start of classes.

English Proficiency TOEFL ibT 79

Requirements: IELTS 6.5

Program Description

The Department of Nursing offers graduate study leading to the Master of Science degree. The Doctor of Nursing Practice degree, a clinical doctorate, is also offered in the Family Nurse Practitioner specialty. An individually tailored program of study is available for the advanced practice nurse with a master's degree in nursing.

The program includes advanced nursing courses, support courses, clinical practica and disquisition (comprehensive study or thesis). A master's degree is offered in Nurse Educator.

Guidelines provided by the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) and the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF) are utilized in the curriculum. The graduate nursing program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

Admission Requirements

1. Baccalaureate degree in nursing from a nationally accredited nursing program.
 2. Undergraduate coursework in research and health assessment.
 3. Current unencumbered RN licensure
 4. Completed application to the Graduate School.
 - a. Three references: two from professional colleagues that address clinical competence and potential for graduate education, and one other reference.
 - b. Written narrative of professional experience and future goals.
 5. Interview, if requested. (Interview required for all DNP applicants.)
1. Family Nurse Practitioner/Doctor of Nursing Practice: A minimum of 86 (DNP) semester credits. Nurse Educator: A minimum of 42 (MS) semester credits.
 2. A maximum of nine graduate semester credits (with a grade of B or better) completed within seven years previous to admission, may be transferred from other regionally accredited colleges or universities with the consent of the student's supervisory committee.
 3. Dissertation, Clinical Dissertation, or Thesis.

Core Requirements for M.S. and D.N.P. Degrees

NURS 701	Theoretical Perspectives of the Discipline	3
NURS 702	Ethics and Health Policy in Nursing	2
NURS 704	Nursing Research/Evidence Based Practice	3

NURS 706	Health Care Delivery Systems, Financing and Informatics	3
Total Credits		11

M.S. Degree in Nursing

Nurse Educator Requirements		32-35
NURS 712		3
NURS 714		2
NURS 715	Advanced Community Assessment	3
NURS 716		2
NURS 724	Curriculum Design in Nursing Education	3
NURS 725	Strategies for Teaching and Learning in Nursing Education	3
NURS 726	Evaluation and Assessment in Nursing Education	3
NURS 728P	Nurse Educator Practicum I	2
NURS 729P	Nurse Educator Practicum II	3
NURS 731		2
NURS 732		2
NURS 797	Master's Paper	4-6
or NURS 798	Master's Thesis	

D.N.P. Degree in Nursing

Family Nurse Practitioner Requirements (DNP)

NURS 710		2
NURS 712		3
NURS 712P		6
NURS 714		2
NURS 715	Advanced Community Assessment	3
NURS 716		2
NURS 720		2
NURS 730		3
NURS 731		2
NURS 732		2
NURS 733		3
NURS 733P		8
NURS 734		3
NURS 734P		8
NURS 735		2
NURS 735P		4
NURS 736P		7
PHRM 685	Economic Outcomes Assessment/Relevant Issues	2
STAT 725	Applied Statistics	3
One 2 credit elective		2
NURS 799S		6

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