The BSN to Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) is a dynamic and energetic program that prepares nurses for leadership positions in multiple domains of health care. Students gain knowledge of various disciplines including nursing, medicine, economics, informatics, education and health policy with a goal of impacting health outcomes and transforming health care delivery. The BSN to DNP is the terminal degree that prepares nurses in the application of research to clinical nursing practice at the highest individual, population and systems levels.

The BSN to DNP/Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) cognate is designed for nurses wanting to pursue a career in advanced practice specialties and has a clinical focus on individuals and populations. BSN to DNP/FNP students will complete the requirements to license as a FNP at the completion of their degree.

Admissions

Applicants are considered for fall admission only. The application deadline is February 1st:

Admission is open to qualified people of any race, color, religion, and national or ethnic origin. Graduate admission is processed through the School of Nursing.

Admission to the BSN to DNP programs is limited. The admission process is competitive based on the following criteria:

- Completed Online Application
- A $50.00 nonrefundable application fee
- Official transcripts from all colleges and universities
- 3.0 undergraduate nursing GPA on a 4.0 scale
- Graduation from a CCNE, NLN or ACEN accredited BSN program
- Evidence of completion of undergraduate courses in statistics and physical assessment
- Official GRE scores of 290 or higher
  - The requirement of official GRE scores will be waived for all applicants who have a 3.0 or higher undergraduate nursing GPA
- Three letters of recommendation (a minimum of two should be professional references)
- Resume or CV
- Statement of Intent
  - A personal statement describing your reasons for pursuing an advanced degree and detailing your professional goals. Should not exceed 2 pages.
- Current Florida RN license.
  - Out of state applicants must be eligible for endorsement in Florida. International students must hold a current license from a U.S. state and be eligible for endorsement in Florida.
- Minimum of one year of professional nursing experience is required prior to beginning the FNP clinical courses
- On campus Interview required for all ARNP program candidates who are qualified.
- For ARNP programs, background checks are required for fall students participating in clinical practice. Information on the background check may need to be released to clinical agencies for permission to participate at the clinical site. If clinical placement is denied by the agency, and an alternate site cannot be obtained, the student will not complete the program.

For more information, contact a graduate advisor at graduateadvisor@ju.edu or begin your application online at:

www.ju.edu/apply
Curriculum

The BSN to DNP/FNP coursework consists of 68 hours of course credit. The student will obtain 1000 clinical or residency hours over the course of the program.

All BSN to DNP/FNP students are required to complete the following coursework:

NUR 501 Advanced Health Assessment (3)
NUR 502 Advanced Pathophysiology (3)
NUR 503 Adult Health Promotion and Disease Management (3)
NUR 504 Advanced Pharmacology (3)
NUR 509 Pediatric Health Promotion and Disease Management (3)
NUR 514 Nursing Leadership and Advanced Roles (3)
NUR 515 Women’s Health Promotion and Disease Management (3)
NUR 517 Mental Health and Crisis Intervention (3)
NUR 520 Nursing Theory and Research II (3)
NUR 600 Organizational Theory, Health Care Management and Finance (3)
NUR 601 FNP Practicum I (90 hours) (1)
NUR 603 FNP Practicum II (90 hours) (1)
NUR 605 FNP Practicum III (90 hours) (1)
NUR 610 Information Systems and Technology of Advanced Practice (3)
NUR 620 Advanced Diagnostic Reasoning and Treatment II (3)
NUR 630 Epidemiology and Biostatistics (3)
NUR 640 Clinical Manifestations of Disease Process & Emerging Therapies (3)
NUR 652 Evidence Based Practice I (3)
NUR 660 Ethics in Clinical Practice (3)
NUR 670 Leadership and Health Policy (3)
NUR 690 Evidence Based Practice II (3)
NUR 702 DNP Practice Project (3-6 hours, varies)
NUR 703 DNP Residency Hours (1-5 hours, varies)

Program Total Hours: 68

*Options may be available for additional certifications in Emergency Nurse Practitioner, Adult Gerontology and Acute Care Nurse Practitioner, Nursing Informatics and Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner for qualified BSN to DNP students.

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