NURSING PROGRAM

Doctor of Nursing Practice (D.N.P.) Degree

DEGREE INFORMATION

Program Admission Deadlines:

Fall:	February 1

Minimum Total Hours: 30-90
Program Level: Doctoral
CIP Code:
51.1601
Dept Code: NUR
Program (Major/College): NRS NR

CONTACT INFORMATION

College: Nursing

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

The D.N.P. program is a practice-focused doctorate that provides an additional option for obtaining a terminal degree in the discipline.   Advanced practice includes all nursing intervention that influences health care outcomes, including the direct care of patients, and management of care for individuals and populations

D.N.P. Program Goals:
- Prepare leaders to implement and evaluate evidenced based practice.
- Create an environment that enhances the use of translational research to solve practice problems and improve health outcomes.
- Ensure excellence in the dissemination of findings from evidence-based practice at the national and international levels.
- Promote critical analyses of health policy and related issues from the perspective of the consumer, nursing, and key stakeholders.
- Ensure advanced levels of clinical judgment, systems thinking, and accountability in the implementation and evaluation of evidenced based care to diverse individuals and populations.
- Develop leaders to integrate and institutionalize evidenced based clinical prevention and population health services.

Accreditation:
Accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of College and Schools; Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education

ADMISSION INFORMATION

Must meet University requirements (see Graduate Admissions) as well as requirements listed below.

Program Admission Requirements

B,S. (in Nursing) – D.N.P.

- B.S. in Nursing from a regionally accredited program
- GRE (recommended)
- Minimum 3.00 GPA
- Licensure as a Registered Nurse
- Three letters of recommendation
- Curriculum Vitae
- Written Statement of Professional Goals
- Evidence of potential for leadership in nursing profession

Please note: the Nurse Anesthesia concentration has additional admission requirements.

1. An applicant must have one of the following:
   a. A bachelor's degree in nursing from a CCNA or NLNAC regionally accredited institution and satisfying at least one of the following criteria:
      i. "B" average or better in all work attempted while registered as an undergraduate student working for a degree, or
      ii. "B" average or better in all work attempted while registered as an upper division undergraduate student working for a baccalaureate degree.
   b. The equivalent bachelors and/or graduate degrees in nursing from a foreign insitution.
2. Current license as a registered nurse in the State of Florida
3. Completion of a 3 credit hour or equivalent in length undergraduate level statistics course with a grade of B or better.
4. Submission of the following documents:

a.   Three letters of recommendation, indicating potential for graduate study, from persons who can attest to the applicant's academic ability, clinical competence, and commitment. (Optimally, these letters will be from a nursing faculty or clinical supervisor)

b.   Personal statement of goals

c.   Current resume or curriculm vitae

d.   Sealed official transcripts from *all institutions of higher education* attended

5.   A personal interview with a designated faculty member may also be required

*It is recommended, but not required, to submit competitive GRE scores

M.S. (in Nursing) – D.N.P.

- M.S. in Nursing from a regionally accredited program
- GRE (recommended)
- Minimum 3.00 GPA at the graduate level
- Licensure as an Advanced Practice Nurse
- Three letters of recommendation
- National certification in area of advanced practice (CRNA, NP, CNM, CNS) – Flroida license required for residencies
- Curriculum Vitae
- Written Statement of Professional Goals
- A grade of B or higher is required in master's level health assessment, pathophysiology, pharmacology, theory, and research.
- Evidence of potential for leadership in nursing profession

DEGREE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

There are two programs of study that lead to a D.N.P in Nursing.

M.S. – D.N.P.
A minimum of 30 hours post-master's is required. The program can be completed in two to three years by full-time students and five or more years for part-time students. Specific program requirements are determined on an individual basis by the student's supervisory committee.

Total Minimum Hours: **30 minimum hours**

Knowledge Building Core (Required)   **30 minimum credit hours**
NGR 6673   Epidemiology for Advanced Nursing   (3)
NGR 7767   Practice Management   (3)
NGR 7848   Fundamental Statistics for Clinicians   (3)
NGR 7874   Informatics & Patient Care Technology   (3)
NGR 7766   Leadership & System Analysis(3)
NGR 7892   Health Policy Issues in Nursing and Health Care   (3)
NGR 7974   Evidence Based Project   (4)
NGR 7945   DNP Residency   (8)*

D.N.P. students must have a minimum of 1,000 post-baccalaureate supervised clinical hours at the time of graduation.

The residency and research project are done over a minimum of two semesters.

B.S. – D.N.P.
A minimum of 75 credits are required. The program can be completed in two to three years by full-time students and five or more years for part-time students. Specific program requirements are determined on an individual basis by the student's supervisory committee.

Total Minimum Hours: **75 minimum hours**

Knowledge Building Core (Required)   **32 minimum credit hours**
NGR 6002   Health Assessment Across the Lifespan   (4)
NGR 6152   Advanced Physiology and Pathophysiology   (4)
NGR 6733   Organizational & Professional Dimensions   (3)
NGR 6803   Research and Evidence-Based Practice   (3)
NGR 6673   Epidemiology for Advanced Nursing   (3)
NGR 7767   Practice Management   (3)
NGR 7848   Fundamental Statistics for Clinicians   (3)
NGR 7766   Leadership & System Analysis   (3)
NGR 7974   Evidence Based Project   (2)
NGR 7945   DNP Residency   (4)*

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Specialty Track   **43- 58 credit hours**
    Required to choose at least one:
       Adult-Gerontology Acute Care
       Adult-Gerontology Primary Care
       Dual Oncology/Adult-Gerontology Primary Care

Family Health
Nurse Anesthesia
Pediatric Health

Adult-Gerontology Acute Care   **46 credit hours**

NGR 6064C	Advanced Diagnostics & Procedures	(3)
NGR 6172	Pharmacology for Advanced Nurse Practitioners	(4)
NGR 6638	Health Promotion Theories & Strategies Across the Lifespan	(3)
NGR 6893	Systems & Population in Healthcare	(3)
NGR 7874	Informatics & Patient Care Technology	(3)
NGR 7892	Health Policy Issues in Nursing & Healthcare	(3)
NGR 7945	DNP Residency	(4)*
NGR 7974	Evidence-Based Project	(2)*
NGR 6232C	Clinical Management of Acute & Critically Ill Adults	(6)
NGR 6244C	Health Management of Adults & older Adults I	(6)
NGR 6210C	Clinical Management of Acutely & Chronically Ill Adults	(6)
NGR 6211C	Acute Care of Adults & older Adults: Special Topics	(3)

Adult-Gerontology Primary Care   **43 credit hours**

NGR 6064C	Advanced Diagnostics & Procedures	(3)
NGR 6172	Pharmacology for Advanced Nurse Practitioners	(4)
NGR 6638	Health Promotion Theories & Strategies Across the Lifespan	(3)
NGR 6893	Systems & Population in Healthcare	(3)
NGR 7874	Informatics & Patient Care Technology	(3)
NGR 7892	Health Policy Issues in Nursing & Healthcare	(3)
NGR 7945	DNP Residency	(4)*
NGR 7974	Evidence-Based Project	(2)*
NGR 6207C	Health Management of Adults & older Adults I	(6)
NGR 6244C	Health Management of Adults & older Adults I	(6)
NGR 6291C	Health Management of Adults & older Adults: Special Topics	(6)

Dual Oncology/Adult-Gerontology Primary Care   **49 credit hours**

NGR 6064C	Advanced Diagnostics & Procedures	(3)
NGR 6172	Pharmacology for Advanced Nurse Practitioners	(4)
NGR 6638	Health Promotion Theories & Strategies Across the Lifespan	(3)
NGR 6893	Systems & Population in Healthcare	(3)
NGR 7874	Informatics & Patient Care Technology	(3)
NGR 7892	Health Policy Issues in Nursing & Healthcare	(3)
NGR 7945	DNP Residency	(4)*
NGR 7974	Evidence-Based Project	(2)*
NGR 6207C	Health Management of Adults & older Adults I	(6)
NGR 6244C	Health Management of Adults & older Adults I	(6)
NGR 6291C	Health Management of Adults & older Adults: Special Topics	(6)
NGR 6220	Pathobiology of Neoplasia	(3)
NGR 6221	Oncology Nursing Concepts	(3)

Family Health   **50 credit hours**

NGR 6064C	Advanced Diagnostics & Procedures	(3)
NGR 6172	Pharmacology for Advanced Nurse Practitioners	(4)
NGR 6638	Health Promotion Theories & Strategies Across the Lifespan	(3)
NGR 6893	Systems & Population in Healthcare	(3)
NGR 7874	Informatics & Patient Care Technology	(3)
NGR 7892	Health Policy Issues in Nursing & Healthcare	(3)

NGR 7945	DNP Residency	(4)*
NGR 7974	Evidence-Based Project	(2)*
NGR 6207C	Health Management of Adults & older Adults I	(6)
NGR 6244C	Health Management of Adults & older Adults I	(6)
NGR 6301C	Primary Care of Children & Adolescents I	(6)
NGR 6342	Primary Care of the Childbearing Family	(1)
NGR 6342L	Primary Care of the Childbearing Family Practicum	(1)
NGR 6613C	Health Management of Families: Special Topics	(5)

Nurse Anesthesia   **58 credit hours**

NGR 6066	Assessment, Radiology, & Psychology of Pain	(3)
NGR 6404	Anatomy & Physiology for Nurse Anesthesia	(3)
NGR 6400	Chem, Biochem, & Physics for Nurse Anesthesia	(3)
NGR 6460	Pharmacology for Nurse Anesthesia I	(3)
NGR 6931	Pharmacology & Physiology for Nurse Anesthesia II	(5)
NGR 6424	Principles of Nurse Anesthesia	(3)
NGR 6495L	Nurse Anesthesia Simulation Lab I	(2)
NGR 6496L	Nurse Anesthesia Simulation Lab II	(2)
NGR 6497L	Nurse Anesthesia Simulation Lab III	(2)
NGR 6420	Foundations & Methods for Nurse Anesthesia Practice	(4)
NGR 6422	Principles of Nurse Anesthesia throughout the Lifespan	(3)
NGR 6431	Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Residency	(4)
NGR 6929	Clinical Correlation Conferences	(4)
NGR 6423	Principles for Cardiothoracic Nurse Anesthesia	(3)
NGR 6432	Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Residency II	(4)
NGR 6433	Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Residency III	(4)
NGR 6434	Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Residency IV	(4)
NGR 6491	Nurse anesthesia Practice Comprehensive	(2)

Pediatric Health   **43 credit hours**

NGR 6064C	Advanced Diagnostics & Procedures	(3)
NGR 6172	Pharmacology for Advanced Nurse Practitioners	(4)
NGR 6638	Health Promotion Theories & Strategies Across the Lifespan	(3)
NGR 6893	Systems & Population in Healthcare	(3)
NGR 7874	Informatics & Patient Care Technology	(3)
NGR 7892	Health Policy Issues in Nursing & Healthcare	(3)
NGR 7945	DNP Residency	(4)*
NGR 7974	Evidence-Based Project	(2)*
NGR 6301C	Primary Care of Children & Adolescents I	(6)
NGR 6302C	Primary Care of Children & Adolescents II	(6)
NGR 6339C	Primary Care of Children & Adolescents: Special Topics	(6)

*In addition to the credits required in the Knowledge Base Core

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COURSES
See http://www.ugs.usf.edu/sab/sabs.cfm