**Nursing program**

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

**DEGREE INFORMATION**

**Program Admission Deadlines:**

**Fall:** February 15

**Minimum Total Hours:** 30 hours post masters

75 hours post-bacc

**Program Level:** Doctoral

**CIP Code:** 51. 3818

**Dept Code:** NUR

**Program (Major/College):** NRS NR

**Approved:** 2006

**Concentrations**

Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nursing (NAG)

Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nursing (NPG)

Family Health Nursing (NFH)

Pediatric Health Nursing (NPH)

Nursing Practice

**Dual Concentrations**

Occupational Health Nursing/Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nursing (NOC)

Oncology Nursing/Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nursing (NOA)

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

**College:** Nursing

**Contact Information:** [www.grad.usf.edu](http://www.grad.usf.edu/)

**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 allnursing 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.

**D.N.P.**

**All applicants must have the following:**

1. Submission of the following documents:
   1. 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.)
   2. Personal statement of goals
   3. Current resume or curriculum vitae
   4. Sealed official transcripts from *all institutions of higher education* attended
2. A personal interview with a designated faculty member may also be required.
3. The equivalent bachelors and/or graduate degrees in nursing from a foreign institution.
4. Current unencumbered license as a registered nurse in the United States upon matriculation. Current license as a registered nurse in the state of Florida before the first clinical course.
5. Applicants to the DNP program are required to complete both a NursingCAS application and a USF Graduate Studies Application.

**B.S. (in Nursing) – D.N.P.**

1. A bachelor’s degree in nursing from a CCNE or ACEN and regionally accredited institution and satisfying at least one of the following criteria:

“B” average or better in all work attempted while registered as an undergraduate student work for a degree, or:

“B” average or better in all work attempted while registered as an upper division undergraduate student working for a baccalaureate degree.

1. Completion of a 3 credit hour or equivalent length undergraduate level statistics course with a grade of B or better.

**M.S. (in Nursing) – D.N.P.**

1. A Master’s degree in nursing from a CCNE or ACEN and regionally accredited institution.
2. Minimum 3.00 GPA at the graduate level
3. Licensure as an Advanced Practice Nurse
4. National certification in area of advanced practice

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

**DEGREE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

**Minimum Program Hours 30 credit hours post masters**

**75 credit hours post-bacc**

The post-masters program of 30 hours minimum can be completed in one year by full-time students and two to three years for part-time students. The post-baccaluareate program of 75 hours minimum can be completed in three to four years by full-time students and five or more years for part-time students.

**(MS-DNP)**

**Knowledge Building Core** **(Required all DNP Students)) 30 Minimum Credit Hours**

NGR 6673 Epidemiology for Advanced Nursing 3

NGR 7767 Practice Management 3

NGR 7848 Fundamentals of 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 Practice Project 4

NGR 7945 DNP Clinical Residency 8\*

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Additional coursework will be determined through individual student evaluation.

The BS-DNP option consists of BS-DNP core courses; the BS-DNP concentration courses; and the DNP Knowledge Building Core courses (minimum 75 credit hours)

**BS-DNP Core - 14 minimum credit hours**

NGR 6002C Health Assessment Across the Lifespan 4

NGR 6152 Advanced Physiology and Pathophysiology 4

NGR 6733 Organizational & Professional Dimensions of Nursing Practice 3

NGR 6803 Research and Evidence-Based Practice 3

**Concentrations - 31-49 credit hours**

Required to choose one:

Adult-Gerontology Acute Care (NAG)

Adult-Gerontology Primary Care (NPG)

Dual Occupational Health/Adult-Gerontology (NOC)

Dual Oncology/Adult-Gerontology Primary Care (NOA)

Family Health (NFH)

Pediatric Health (NPH)

**Adult-Gerontology Acute Care (NAG) 34 Credit Hours**

NGR 6064C Advanced Diagnostics & Procedures 3

NGR 6172 Pharmacology for Advanced Nurse Practitioners 4

NGR 6210C Clinical Management of Acutely & Chronically Ill Adults 7 (4/3)

NGR 6211C Acute Care of Adults & Older Adults: Special Topics 7 (4/3)

NGR 6232C Selected Concepts in the Acute Ill Adults 6 (4/3)

NGR 6638 Health Promotion Theories & Strategies Across the Lifespan 3

NGR 6893 Systems & Population in Healthcare 3

**Adult-Gerontology Primary Care (NPG) 31 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 6207C Health Management of Adults & Older Adults I 6 (3/3)

NGR 6244C Health Management of Adults & Older Adults II 6 (3/3)

NGR 6291C Health Management of Adults & Older Adults: Special Topics 6 (3/3)

**Dual Oncology/Adult-Gerontology Primary Care (NOA) 37 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 6207C Health Management of Adults & Older Adults I 6 (3/3)

NGR 6244C Health Management of Adults & Older Adults II 6 (3/3)

NGR 6220 Pathobiology of Neoplasia 3

NGR 6221 Oncology Nursing Concepts 3

**Dual Occupational Health/Adult-Gerontology Primary Care (NOC) 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 6207C Health Management of Adults & Older Adults I 6 (3/3)

NGR 6244C Health Management of Adults & Older Adults II 6 (3/3)

NGR 6291C Health Management of Adults & Older Adults: Special Topics 6 (3/3)

NGR6650 Occupational Health Nursing I 2

NGR6651 Occupational Health Nursing II 2

PHC 6360 Safety Principles and Practices 2

PHC6364 2

OR

PHC6945 Plant Operations Interdisciplinary Field Experience

PHC6356 Industrial Hygiene 2

PHC6351 Occupational Medicine 3

PHC 6354 Occupational Health and Safety Administration 2

PHC 6977 Special Project 3

**Family Health (NFH) 38 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 6207C Health Management of Adults & Older Adults I 6 (3/3)

NGR 6244C Health Management of Adults & Older Adults II 6 (3/3)

NGR 6301C Primary Care of Children & Adolescents I 6 (3/3)

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

**Pediatric Health (NPH) 31 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 6301C Primary Care of Children & Adolescents I 6 (3/3)

NGR 6302C Primary Care of Children & Adolescents II 6 (3/3)

NGR 6339C Special Topics: Primary Care of Children & Adolescents 6 (3/3)

**Knowledge Building Core Courses**

NGR 6673 Epidemiology for Advanced Nursing 3

NGR 7766 Leadership and System Analysis 3

NGR 7767 Practice Management 3

NGR 7848 Fundamentals of Statistics for Clinicians 3

NGR 7874 Informatics & Patient Care Technology 3

NGR 7892 Health Policy Issues in Nursing and Health Care 3

NGR 7974 Evidence-Based Practice Project 4

NGR 7945 DNP Clinical Residency 8\*

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**COURSES**

See <http://www.ugs.usf.edu/course-inventory/>