

Doctor of Nursing Practice

BS to DNP (FNP or WHNP) – Full Time (10 Semesters)

BS to DNP (FNP or WHNP) – Alternate Pathway (13 Semesters)

MS to DNP (FNP or WHNP) – Full Time (7 semesters)



DOWNSTATE
HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY



The DNP program at SUNY Downstate Health Sciences University, College of Nursing (CON) is designed to prepare nurses for the highest level of nursing practice in order to positively affect the triple aim of healthcare; improving patient outcomes, decreasing healthcare cost, and improving patient satisfaction. The DNP program is intended to prepare students to lead healthcare innovation, influence healthcare and health outcomes for all populations in a variety of practice settings.

The post-baccalaureate DNP Program is cohort based, 76 credits, and 10 or 13 semesters in length. Students who hold a Master's degree, APRN certification (FNP or WHNP specialties), and meet admission requirements will be considered for advanced standing, allowing them to complete the DNP Program in 7 semesters (46 credit hours).

Before you apply

- Review the website to learn more about our program.
- Sign up to attend an Information Session.
- Assess the best time to apply; early applications are encouraged.
- Review the curriculum and the tuition to determine costs and duration of the program.
- For additional information, please visit our website.

Steps to apply

1. **Download and Read the Application Instructions.**
2. **Check the Deadline on our Website.**
3. **Prepare Your Documentation.**
You may be required to upload documents related to your application.
4. **Submit Your Application.**
All sections of your application must be filled out in order to submit.
5. **Check Your Status.**
Upon submitting your online application, you are able to log back in to upload additional documents and monitor your application status.

[See reverse for requirements >](#)



Scan the QR code
to visit the school's
website or:

www.tinyurl.com/downstate-DNP

Admission Requirements

BS to DNP (FNP or WHNP Concentration)

- **Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing** from colleges or universities accredited by one of the following: The Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE), the New England Commission on Higher Education (NECHE), The Higher Learning Commission (HLC), the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU), the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC) or the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC), United States Department of Education (USDE).
- A current unencumbered New York State R.N. license.
- A current American Heart Association (AHA) card/certificate for *BLS for Healthcare Provider* or *ACLS*.
- You must submit two (2) letters or recommendation. One letter must be written by: A current/former supervisor within the past 3 years, who can comment on your clinical abilities and/or your potential success in graduate nursing education; the second letter can be written by an additional supervisor or a current/former college university clinical nursing professor within the last 3 years.
- One (1) year clinical experience post baccalaureate degree is preferred.
- Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale preferred.
- Curriculum vitae/Resume.

NOTE: All transcripts are evaluated for previous academic performance. All admissions requirements must be completed at the time of applying and candidates who meet admissions requirements may be called for an interview.

MS to DNP (Post Master's DNP)

- **Master of Science degree in Nursing** from colleges or universities accredited by one of the following: The Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE), the New England Commission on Higher Education (NECHE), The Higher Learning Commission (HLC), the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU), the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC) or the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC), United States Department of Education (USDE).
- You must submit two (2) letters or recommendation. One letter must be written by: A current/former supervisor within the past 3 years, who can comment on your clinical abilities and/or your potential success in graduate nursing education; the second letter can be written by an additional supervisor or a current/former college university clinical nursing professor within the last 3 years.
- Cumulative Master's level Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0.
- Current unencumbered New York State R.N. license.
- Current unencumbered New York State Nurse Practitioner license in the specialty of either Family Health or Women's Health.
- A current American Heart Association (AHA) card/certificate for *BLS for Healthcare Provider* or *ACLS*.
- Curriculum vitae/Resume.

NOTE: All transcripts are evaluated for previous academic performance. All admissions requirements must be completed at the time of applying and candidates who meet admissions requirements may be called for an interview.

Admissions requirements are subject to change.

Refer to the website for the most current information: www.tinyurl.com/downstate-DNP