



DOWNSTATE  
HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY

College of Nursing

**Mandatory Professional Licensure Disclosure**  
**SUNY Downstate Health Sciences University**  
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New York State prides itself in the high quality of its licensed and certified professionals. For the protection of its citizens, each license and certificate has requirements that individuals must meet in order to be licensed or certified in New York State. Thus, each of SUNY's academic programs that lead to licensure or certification are carefully designed to meet and exceed these State requirements. This is the role the SUNY system plays in protecting the public.

Per U.S. Federal Regulations, [34 CFR §668](#), and in compliance with the [State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements \(SARA\) Manual version 24.2, December 16, 2024](#), SUNY Downstate provides this disclosure related to the educational requirements for professional licensure and certification for academic programs leading to professional licensure to meet the educational requirements for licensure in states where SUNY Downstate students reside. This disclosure does not provide any guarantee that any particular state licensure or certification entity will approve or deny your application. Furthermore, this disclosure does not account for changes in state law or regulation that may affect your application for licensure and occur after these disclosures have been made.

This Disclosure is strictly limited to SUNY Downstate's determination of whether its educational programs, **Accelerated Bachelor's of Science in Nursing; the Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science program in Nursing; Masters of Science in Nursing- with concentrations in Family Nurse Practitioner, Women's Health Nurse Practitioner and Nurse Midwifery; Advanced Certificate in Family Nurse Practitioner, Advanced Certificate in Nursing Education and Women's Health Primary Care Nurse Practitioner and Doctor of Nursing Practice** - that if successfully completed, would be sufficient to meet the educational licensure or certification requirements in New York State.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> This determination is based on the educational and curricular requirements for licensure (i.e., excluding any special, temporary licensure that may be granted) and does **not** imply that other requirements for licensure do not exist or have been determined to have been met by this program or that any necessary approvals for clinical placements have been secured at the time of enrollment. An unencumbered RN license in the state of intended practice is a requirement of entry and continuation in the program. Each student should verify their particular situation with their intended state's licensing entity.

STATE	Board of Nursing- Licensure Contact
New York	<a href="https://www.op.nysed.gov/professions-index/nursing">https://www.op.nysed.gov/professions-index/nursing</a>

SUNY Downstate cannot provide verification of an individual’s ability to meet licensure or certification requirements unrelated to its educational programming. Such individual determinations are made by state licensing boards, and are fact-specific determinations.

Enrolled students and prospective students are strongly encouraged to contact their State’s licensure entity to review all licensure and certification requirements imposed by their state(s) of choice. New York State prides itself in the high quality of its licensed and certified professionals. For the protection of its citizens, each license and certificate has requirements that individuals must meet in order to be licensed or certified in New York State. The State University of New York’s (“SUNY”) academic programs leading to licensure and/or certification are carefully designed to meet and exceed the State’s requirements. This is a role that SUNY plays in protecting the public. Other states frequently have their own requirements, so if your goal is to practice in another state, this disclosure will help you check to see what that state requires.

***SUNY Downstate only enrolls students whose goal is specifically to practice Nursing in the State of New York and are enrolled in the State of New York.***

For a list of state licensure/certification authorities and their contact information, [click here](#).