

Nursing, DNP (Primarily Online)

The Northeastern University Doctor of Nursing Practice program is designed to prepare future nurse leaders by integrating advanced evidence-based clinical practice, interdisciplinary collaboration, healthcare innovation, fiscal responsibility, and principles of leadership to impact patient and/or system-level outcomes. Utilizing implementation science and project management theory, the DNP students design and implement a DNP project that may include new models of care, implementing and evaluating evidence-based practice guidelines, performing a financial analysis of varying models of care, or analyzing and/or implementing healthcare policy. This Nursing, DNP program can be completed in 33 months of full-time study and is designed for students entering with a BS in Nursing who intend to practice as nurse practitioners.

Core requirements of this program are taught online. Most specialty (concentration) courses are also taught online; students who declare the concentration in Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioner, Acute Care or the concentration in Pediatric Nurse Practitioner, Primary Care complete their concentration coursework on ground in Boston. All concentrations of this program require completion of 750 clinical hours which require precepted experience in an office practice, clinic, or healthcare setting.

Students who already possess a master's nursing degree (Post-Masters) and intend to complete the DNP should consider the Nursing, DNP-Post-Master's (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/nursing-practice-dnp/>) program. Students entering with a bachelor's nursing degree who intend to practice as nurse executives, nurse educators, or patient safety specialists should consider the MS Nursing Leadership (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/nursing-leadership-ms/>) program. Students entering with a bachelor's nursing degree who intend to practice as nurse anesthetists should consider the Nurse Anesthesia, DNP (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/nurse-anesthesia-dnp/>) program.

Please visit Bouvé College Program Learning Outcomes (<https://bouve.northeastern.edu/bchs/about/learning-outcomes/>) for the specific student learning outcomes for this program.

Program Requirements

Complete all courses and requirements listed below unless otherwise indicated.

Core Requirements

A grade of B or higher is required in each course.

Code	Title	Hours
NRSG 5117	Advanced Pharmacology	2
NRSG 5121	Epidemiology and Population Health	3
NRSG 5126	Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice	3
NRSG 6300	Healthcare Finance and Marketing	3
NRSG 6302	Health Policy and Law	3
NRSG 6306	Health Informatics	3
NRSG 7100	Leadership in Advanced Practice Nursing	3
NRSG 7105	Translating Research Evidence into Practice	3
NRSG 7500	Role/Practice Issues in Advanced Practice Nursing	3
NRSG 7920	The Steps to Practice Inquiry: Analyze, Evaluate, Synthesize, and Apply the Evidence	3
NRSG 7921	DNP Scholarly Project 1: Design and Ethical Consideration of Practice Application	3
NRSG 7922	DNP Scholarly Project 2: Applying Practice Knowledge—Implementation/Outcomes	3
NRSG 7923	DNP Scholarly Project 3: Dissemination of Practice Inquiry	3
NRSG 7926	Applied Data Management	2

Concentrations

A concentration is required to complete this program.

- Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioner, Acute Care (p. 2)
- Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioner, Primary Care (p. 2)
- Family Nurse Practitioner, Primary Care (p. 2)
- Neonatal Nurse Practitioner, Acute Care (p. 3)
- Pediatric Nurse Practitioner, Acute and Primary Care (p. 3)
- Pediatric Nurse Practitioner, Primary Care (p. 3)
- Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (p. 4)

Program Credit/GPA Requirements

Total program hours vary based on the concentration the student chooses

Minimum 3.000 GPA required

CONCENTRATION IN ADULT-GERONTOLOGY NURSE PRACTITIONER, ACUTE CARE

Code	Title	Hours
NRSG 6115	Health Assessment	3
NRSG 6220	Nursing Management: Acute Episodic Illness	3
NRSG 6221	Nursing Management: Critical and Chronic Illness	3
NRSG 6241	Acute-Care Concepts in Nursing Practice	3
NRSG 6243	Diagnostic Reasoning and Clinical Decision Making in Acute Care	2
NRSG 6245	Advanced Practice Colloquium in Acute Care	2
NRSG 6246	Acute Care Pharmacology	2
NRSG 7220	Acute Care Practicum 1 (Adult-Gerontology)	4
NRSG 7221	Acute Care Practicum 2 (Adult-Gerontology)	4
NRSG 7222	Acute Care Practicum 3 (Adult-Gerontology)	4

PROGRAM CREDIT REQUIREMENT

70 total semester hours required, including program core requirements

CONCENTRATION IN ADULT-GERONTOLOGY NURSE PRACTITIONER, PRIMARY CARE

Code	Title	Hours
NRSG 6115	Health Assessment	3
NRSG 6222	Pharmacology of Adults and Older Adults	2
NRSG 6249	Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Through the Adult Life Span	3
NRSG 6258	Primary Care Conditions Through the Adult Life Span	4
NRSG 6259	Complex Primary Care Conditions Through the Adult Life Span	4
NRSG 7440	Adult/Older Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nursing Practicum 1	4
NRSG 7441	Adult/Older Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nursing Practicum 2	4
NRSG 7442	Adult/Older Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nursing Practicum 3	4

PROGRAM CREDIT REQUIREMENT

68 total semester hours required, including program core requirements

NURSING CONCENTRATION IN FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER, PRIMARY CARE

Code	Title	Hours
NRSG 6115	Health Assessment	3
NRSG 6222	Pharmacology of Adults and Older Adults	2
NRSG 6390	Family Care of the Adult/Older Adult Patient	4
NRSG 6391	Practicum for NRSG 6390	4
NRSG 6392	Family Theory	2
NRSG 6393	Family Care of the Pediatric and Adolescent Patient	4
NRSG 6394	Practicum for NRSG 6393	4
NRSG 6396	Practicum for Women's Health	4
NRSG 6397	Healthcare of Women and the Pregnant Individual in Family Practice	3
NRSG 6398	Prescribing Considerations in the Pediatric and Adolescent Populations	2

PROGRAM CREDIT REQUIREMENT

72 total semester hours required, including program core requirements

CONCENTRATION IN NEONATAL NURSE PRACTITIONER, ACUTE CARE

Code	Title	Hours
NRSG 6116	Advanced Health Assessment of the Neonate and Infant	3
NRSG 6230	Nursing Management: Critically Ill Neonatal 1	3
NRSG 6231	Nursing Management: Critically Ill Neonatal 2	3
NRSG 6232	Neonatal Pharmacology	2
NRSG 6392	Family Theory	2
NRSG 7431	Neonatal Advanced Practicum 1	4
NRSG 7432	Neonatal Advanced Practicum 2	4
NRSG 7433	Neonatal Advanced Practicum 3	4

PROGRAM CREDIT REQUIREMENT

65 total semester hours required, including program core requirements

CONCENTRATION IN PEDIATRIC NURSE PRACTITIONER, ACUTE AND PRIMARY CARE

Code	Title	Hours
NRSG 6115	Health Assessment	3
NRSG 6116	Advanced Health Assessment of the Neonate and Infant	3
NRSG 6262	Pediatric Pharmacology	2
NRSG 6264	Care of Well Child/Adolescent Health Promotion	3
NRSG 6265	Care of Child/Adolescent Health Problems	3
NRSG 6267	Care of the Critically Ill Child	3
NRSG 6275	Health Promotion and Preventative Care in Pediatrics in the Context of Community Health	4
NRSG 6276	Diagnostic Reasoning and Clinical Decision Making in PNP Practice	2
NRSG 6459	Pediatric NP Practicum 1	2
NRSG 6460	Pediatric NP Practicum 2	5
NRSG 6461	Pediatric NP Practicum 3	5
NRSG 6463	Care of the Critically Ill Child Practicum	5

PROGRAM CREDIT REQUIREMENT

80 total semester hours required, including program core requirements

CONCENTRATION IN PEDIATRIC NURSE PRACTITIONER, PRIMARY CARE

Code	Title	Hours
NRSG 6115	Health Assessment	3
NRSG 6262	Pediatric Pharmacology	2
NRSG 6264	Care of Well Child/Adolescent Health Promotion	3
NRSG 6265	Care of Child/Adolescent Health Problems	3
NRSG 6275	Health Promotion and Preventative Care in Pediatrics in the Context of Community Health	4
NRSG 6276	Diagnostic Reasoning and Clinical Decision Making in PNP Practice	2
NRSG 6459	Pediatric NP Practicum 1	2
NRSG 6460	Pediatric NP Practicum 2	5
NRSG 6461	Pediatric NP Practicum 3	5

Program Credit Requirement

69 total semester hours required, including program core requirements

CONCENTRATION IN PSYCHIATRIC-MENTAL HEALTH NURSE PRACTITIONER

Code	Title	Hours
NRSG 6115	Health Assessment	3
NRSG 6281	Dimensions of Clinical Psychiatric Practice	3
NRSG 6282	Clinical Psychopharmacology	3
NRSG 6283	Psychobiological Bases of Mental Health	3
NRSG 6286	Contemporary Psychotherapies—Theory and Practice	3
NRSG 6561	Advanced Nurse Practitioner Clinical Intensive	1
NRSG 7480	Advanced Psychiatric Nursing Practicum 1	4
NRSG 7481	Advanced Psychiatric Nursing Practicum 2	4
NRSG 7482	Advanced Psychiatric Nursing Practicum 3	4

PROGRAM CREDIT REQUIREMENT

68 total semester hours required, including program core requirements