This is an exciting time in healthcare, and nursing plays a pivotal role in the transformation of our healthcare system. Northeastern University School of Nursing offers multiple options for graduate study, including master’s, Doctor of Nursing Practice, and PhD degree programs, as well as Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study programs, that are designed to prepare outstanding clinicians, leaders, scholars, educators, and policymakers. These programs leverage the school’s renowned faculty, as well as exceptional clinical practicum sites. Our reputation is why our graduates are sought by top employers. Practicing advanced practice nurses may easily change their specialty area by enrolling in one of our CAGS programs in adult primary or acute, pediatric primary and acute, or mental health.

The DNP program is a practice-oriented degree designed to prepare advanced nurses at the highest level of scholarly practice. Keeping pace with the demands of today’s changing healthcare environment requires clinical experts who have the knowledge and skills to be effective change agents. Graduates of our post-master’s DNP program assume clinical and leadership positions as advanced nurses in a variety of roles, including clinical experts, nurse executives, community leaders, and professional organization leaders.

The PhD program in nursing prepares research scientists, educators, and leaders who seek to improve health and healthcare across the life span with an emphasis on urban, vulnerable, and underserved populations. Graduates are expected to lead research initiatives that advance nursing science through knowledge development and interdisciplinary scholarly inquiry.

Further information about the degrees and specializations can be found at each program’s page of this catalog.

Programs

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

- Nursing (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/nursing-phd/)

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)

- Nurse Anesthesia (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/nurse-anesthesia-dnp/)
- Nursing—Post-Master’s (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/nursing-practice-dnp/)

Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study (CAGS)

- Nursing with Concentration in Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioner, Acute Care (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/adult-gerontology-nurse-practitioner-acute-care-cags/)
- Nursing with Concentration in Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioner, Primary Care (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/adult-gerontology-nurse-practitioner-primary-care-cags/)
- Nursing with Concentration in Neonatal Nurse Practitioner (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/neonatal-nurse-practitioner-cags/)
- Nursing with Concentration in Pediatric Nurse Practitioner, Acute Care (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/pediatric-nurse-practitioner-acute-care-cags/)
- Nursing with Concentration in Pediatric Nurse Practitioner, Acute and Primary Care (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/pediatric-nurse-practitioner-acute-primary-care-cags/)
- Nursing with Concentration in Pediatric Nurse Practitioner, Primary Care (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/pediatric-nurse-practitioner-primary-care-cags/)
- Nursing with Concentration in Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/psychiatric-mental-health-nurse-practitioner-cags/)

Master of Science (MS)

- Nursing (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/nursing-ms/)
- Nursing—Direct Entry (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/nursing-direct-entry-ms/)
Graduate Certificate

- Patient Safety (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/patient-safety-graduate-certificate/)
- Pediatric Nurse Practitioner, Acute Care (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/pediatric-nurse-practitioner-acute-care-graduate-certificate/)