BSN TO DNP FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER

About

The Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) is a *practice doctorate* that prepares clinical scholars recognized for outstanding leadership and innovative evidence-based patient/population centered outcomes. The program focuses on interprofessional collaboration and developing competencies in practice, leadership, and quality improvement and safety that lead to enhanced outcomes important to patients, families, providers, and organizations.

The BSN to DNP curriculum is in line with the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties' (NONPF), the National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists (NACNS) and American Organizations of Nurse Executives (AONE) commitment to move all entry-level nurse practitioner education to the DNP degree by 2025. The program is not an addition to master's studies, but rather an integration of the objectives and learning opportunities required for attainment of doctoral level core and population-focused competencies.

The **Family Nurse Practitioner** pathway is designed to prepare skilled Family Nurse Practitioners for work in primary care clinics, managing acute and chronic health conditions across the lifespan.   The primary practice site for FNPs is outpatient primary care practices or specialty clinics in the outpatient setting. Health promotion and disease prevention are integral in the NP's practice. Graduates of this program are registered nurses with advanced education who are able to assess, make diagnoses, manage health care, prescribe medicines and evaluate care for persons who are ill, injured and/or have chronic diseases.

The NP pathway offers a part-time and full-time options to fit the schedules of working nurses. Many classes are offered online but there are on-campus learning requirements in some classes. On-campus learning consists of standardized patient visits, labs with clinical skills and physical assessments, and objective structured clinical exams. For additional information about this program, please contact nursing@ouhsc.edu.

Post-Graduate tracks are available. For additional information, please contact nursing@ouhsc.edu.

The Family Nurse Practitioner curriculum prepares graduates to apply for and sit for the American Nurses Credentialing Center and/or American Association of Nurse Practitioners Family Nurse Practitioner-primary care certification exam.

Cost

It is the student's responsibility to ensure they are enrolled in the prescribed courses and to pay tuition and fees at the time designated by the Bursar's Office. Details regarding tuition/fee charges and collection are available from the Bursar's Office.

Admissions

Due to federal regulations from the Department of Education, the College of Nursing currently accepts applications for its online doctoral degree programs from residents of the states participating in the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (SARA). A list of participating states can be found at: http://nc-sara.org/sara-states-institutions (http://nc-sara.org/sara-states-institutions/)s. Applicants are encouraged to check with their local State Boards of Nursing regarding any specific professional licensure requirements prior to applying or enrolling.

Curriculum

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- Program Start: Fall
- Family Nurse Practitioner: 72 credit hours/ 1040 clinical hours (all clinical hours must be completed in the state of Oklahoma).
- Hybrid Program: Some on-campus and online components

Code	Title	Hours
Fall - Year 1		
NURS 7153	Advanced Physical/Health Assessment & Diagnostic Reasoning	3
PATH 5503	Applied Principles of Pathology	3
NURS 8443	Organizational and Systems Leadership in Nursing	3
NURS 8003	Background & Scientific Underpinnings for Advanced Nursing Practice	3
Spring - Year 1		
NURS 8423	Evidence-based Practice and Translational Science in Nursing	3
NURS 7043	Pharmacology for Advanced Practice Nurses	3
NURS 7073	Primary Health Care in the Family - FNP I	3
NURS 8123	Information Systems and Technologies for Health Care Transformation	3
Summer - Year 1		
BMSC 5102	Fundamentals of Scientific Writing	2
NURS 7012	Diagnostic Methods and Primary Care Procedures	2
Fall - Year 2		
BSE 5163 or NURS 6123	Biostatistical Methods I Applied Statistics I	3
NURS 8113	Research Methods	3
NURS 7013	Primary Health Care in the Family - FNP II Didactic	3
NURS 7003	Primary Health Care in the Family - FNP II Practicum	3
Spring - Year 2		
BSE 5113	Principles of Epidemiology	3
NURS 8313	Economics and Finance in Health Care	3
NURS 8730	Practice Inquiry I (64 clinical hours)	1-5
NURS 8333	Healthcare Quality for Improved Outcomes	3
Summer - Year 2		
NURS 8712	Roles and Responsibilities of the Doctor of Nursing Practices	2
NURS 8323	Health Policy Local to Global	3
Fall - Year 3		
NURS 8740	Practice Inquiry II (128 clinical hours)	1-5
NURS 7033	Primary Health Care in the Family - FNP III Didactic	3
NURS 7023	Primary Health Care in the Family - FNP III Practicum	3
Spring - Year 3		

NURS 8800	Practice Inquiry III (128 clinical hours)	1-5
NURS 7045	Primary Health Care in the Family - FNP IV (320 clinical hours)	5
NURS 7062	Nurse Practitioner Roles and Practice Management	2

Prerequisite Courses

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Code	Title	Hours
Undergraduate Nursing Research		
General Statistics		

Prerequisite Requirements

- Successful completion of a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from a regionally accredited institution.

- Minimum 3.0 GPA from the last 60 hours.

- Current United States license to practice as a Registered Nurse in state where clinical rotations are completed.

Program Outcomes

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Student Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the program, the graduate will be prepared to:

- Integrate theories from nursing and support sciences to guide practice and role development
- Use evidence-based and best practice literature to propose and initiate change.
- Use political acumen to influence health care policy in the promotion of safe, ethical health care delivery.
- Deliver a broad array of evidence-based, patient-centered nursing interventions to culturally diverse or at-risk individuals and populations in a specialized area of practice.
- Demonstrate expertise in a specialized area of clinical, teaching, and management/administrative practice and/or initial competence in a functional role (advanced practice registered nurse [APRN], educator and administrator).
- Employ leadership and management skills in decision making to improve nursing care delivery and the care environment.
- Collaborate with the interprofessional teams to improve nursing care and health care services.
- Contribute to knowledge dissemination through scholarly activities and communication.
- Use critical synthesis to effectively manage resources and systems.

- Demonstrate competency in information analysis, management, and technology consistent with role preparation.
- Engage in lifelong learning and professional development.