Frontier Nursing University Academic Programs FAQ



FNU OFFERS THE FOLLOWING ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES:

Master of Science in Nursing + Doctor of Nursing Practice(MSN + Companion DNP)

- For RNs with a bachelor's degree (BSN or bachelor's in another field)
- Specialty Tracks include:
 - CNM: Certified Nurse-Midwife 81 total credits (64 credits for MSN)
 - FNP: Family Nurse Practitioner 78 total credits (61 credits for MSN)
 - WHCNP: Women's Health Care Nurse Practitioner 76 total credits (59 credits for MSN)
- Choose a plan of 2 or 3 courses per term
- Option to end after completing MSN or continue on to complete the Companion DNP

ADN Bridge Entry Option (MSN + Companion DNP)

- For RNs with an ADN as their highest degree earned
- Specialty tracks include Nurse-Midwifery and FNP Please note: The WHCNP track is no longer offered as part of the Bridge entry option
- Earn an MSN with option to complete Companion DNP (No BSN awarded)
- Students complete 12 months of Bridge work before beginning their specialty track

Post-Master's Doctor of Nurse Practice (PM-DNP)

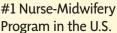
- Earn your DNP in 15 months with 2 courses per term
- 33 credit hours (including clinical component and capstone project)

Post-Master's Certificate + Doctor of Nursing Practice (PMC + Companion DNP)

- An excellent option for those wanting to complete study beyond the master's level in any one of our specialities: CNM, FNP, WHCNP
- A customized program of study up to 34-52 credits depending on accepted transfer work















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Required Travel to our Historic Campus in Hyden, KY

- 3 visits to campus required for ADN Bridge Entry Option
- 2 visits to campus required for MSN + Companion DNP and PMC + Companion DNP
- 1 visit to campus for Post-Master's DNP

Cost to Attend

- \$535 per credit hour for enrollment in the MSN + Companion DNP and PMC + Companion DNP programs
- \$565 per credit hour for PM-DNP students

Admissions Criteria for MSN + Companion DNP Applicants:

- Be a Registered Nurse from a nationally accredited nursing program and currently licensed in the state that you work
- Have a 3.0 GPA from the most recent degree earned
- Have one year of nursing experience
- Three professional references
- Prerequisites requirements must be filled (health exam, upper division or graduate level statistics course, physical assessment course)

Admissions Criteria for Post-Master's DNP and PMC + Companion DNP Applicants:

- Must have a master's or higher degree in nursing and currently hold national certification in one of the following advanced practice specialties:
 - adult nurse practitioner (ANP)
 - certified nurse-midwife (CNM)
 - family nurse practitioner (FNP)
 - geriatric-adult nurse practitioner (GANP)
 - geriatric nurse practitioner (GNP)
 - pediatric nurse practitioner (PNP)
 - psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner (PMHNP)
 - women's health care nurse practitioner (WHCNP)
- Have a 3.0 GPA from the most recent degree earned
- Three professional references
- Prerequisites requirements must be filled
 - For PM-DNP: Health exam and upper division or graduate level statistics course
 - For PMC + Companion DNP: health promotion, biostatistics, pathophysiology, physical assessment

WHY CHOOSE FRONTIER NURSING UNIVERSITY?

- 75 years of experience in graduate nursing and midwifery education
- Oldest and largest continually operating nurse-midwifery education program in the U.S.
- First family nurse practitioner program in the country
- Pioneered the first midwifery community based distance education program in the U.S. in 1989
- More than 4,000 nurses and midwives have graduated with advanced practice degrees
- Students and alumni represent every U.S. state and many foreign countries
- Ranked by US News & World Report in the:
 - #1 Nurse-Midwifery program in the United States



