



**Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) - Post BSN to DNP – Family Nurse Practitioner Applicant Checklist – Fall 2026**

**\*PLEASE NOTE- DUE TO RECENT CHANGES BY THE US GOVERNMENT on the post-COVID SEVP rule,** non-immigrant students will not be able to apply to or be admitted to this program. See advisor for additional details.

**Application Information for August 24, 2026 Start Date**

1. Online application available early January 2026
2. Application deadline is April 2, 2026 @12 p.m. [Applicants will be notified of acceptance by May 20, 2026 or earlier]

Application cycles for Summer 2027 and Fall 2027 will be available in May 2026 (check back).

**Program Information**

- Up to **16** positions available for each of the two application cycles. Must reapply for the fall admissions cycle to be considered again. Each application is only good for that application cycle. Each application cycle requires a \$60 application fee to be considered.
- Cohort start is based on administrative approval, funding, and a minimum number of qualified applicants. Planned start date August 24, 2026
- Application fee: \$60
- There is a mandatory Orientation 4-8 weeks before the first semester.
- Hybrid/Online model of delivery for lab skills/theory/didactic courses.
- Labs in semesters 3, 4 & 5. These are 9-10 hour full campus days (9a-6p) during these three semesters at the WSU-Ogden Campus. Approximately 5 to 7 times per 15 week semester and they are on the campus of Weber State University in Ogden.
- Clinical experiences begin semester 5 and continue through semester 8. It is recommended that students not work full-time during these semesters (5, 6, 7 & 8).

**Program Information (Continued)**

- The DNP-FNP program is clinically intensive and requires appropriate planning for success. Securing an NP clinical site placement is a collaborative process. Success occurs due to a partnership between the student, the Graduate Programs Clinical Coordinator, and faculty. The Graduate Clinical Coordinator will work collaboratively with you to identify clinical sites where you would like to be placed. The Graduate Clinical Coordinator will work to manage placements and ensure documentation is correct. In doing so, they will consider the program outcomes, course outcomes, and your overall performance in coursework and in previous clinical experiences. Under some circumstances, you may be directed to complete a clinical experience at a specific site or within a specific time frame based on assessing your progress or the availability of clinical sites during the semester.
- Plan on 2 to 3 days/week of clinical activity for semesters 5, 6, 7 & 8 in addition to class commitments and labs.

DNP Project requirement: begins semester 6 and continues through semester 8 - for prior projects, see: Nursing Grad Projects ([weber.edu/Nursing/GradProjects.html](https://weber.edu/Nursing/GradProjects.html))

**Program Cost:** Attending graduate school is a significant investment of your time and money. We are committed to keeping DNP-FNP costs as affordable as possible while delivering high-value education to advance your nursing career. The **DNP-Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) program** is a full-time, hybrid program lasting 8 semesters (32 months). *Program costs include tuition, graduate student differential, and other course fees. These costs are estimates, which are determined each April for the following academic year. The approximate total for the full-time program is \$42,000-\$45,500 (new tuition rates are approved every Spring for the following academic year. For detailed information regarding these costs, please visit the Weber State University tuition table and graduate differential table WSU Graduate Tuition table:*

([https://www.weber.edu/bursar/TuitionFee\\_Tables.html](https://www.weber.edu/bursar/TuitionFee_Tables.html))

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**Application Requirements:**

- Cumulative GPA of 3.3 or higher (on a 4.0 scale) for all college-level coursework. May be a 3.0 to 3.3 Cumulative GPA if you have 10 or more years of full-time work experience as an RN (or 15 years part-time) as an RN (by the application deadline) and your Nursing GPA (Nursing ONLY courses) are at or above a 3.0. (See advisor if you have questions).
- Applicants must have a minimum of 60 graded (3.3 or better) transfer/transferable credit hours from a regionally accredited college or university.
- Earned bachelor's degree with a major in nursing from an accredited nursing program (ACEN, CCNE, or CNEA) and from a regionally accredited college or university.
- Active, unrestricted license to practice as an RN or eligible to obtain licensure without restrictions to practice as a registered nurse in the State of Utah (or Compact State).
- Minimum of two (2) years current full-time work experience (4 years part-time) as an RN by the **April 2, 2026** application deadline. Not later than this date. If you do not meet this requirement please wait to apply for the next program when you will meet this requirement.
- Submission of all documents: 3 letters of recommendation, vitae/resume, essay, transcripts, and Structured Video Response (SVR) in the online application system.
- Applicants for whom English is not their first language, a minimum English language proficiency score is required. (TOEFL = 75 overall, with a minimum of 17 in each Category: OR IELTS 6.5 overall, with a minimum of 6.0 in each category). Students with a bachelor's degree or higher from a regionally-accredited (or equivalent) university in which the language of instruction was English may be exempt from English-language proficiency testing.

- Please note: This program does not meet the in-person, face-to-face course requirements for international student status since this program involves extensive online learning (no exceptions).

**Qualified Applications are ranked according to a selection point system** established by the WSU Nursing Graduate Admissions Committee. Applicant ranking for all applicants includes the above requirements and also includes re-applicant status, alternate [previous application cycle], previous Master's Degree (MSN, MHA, MPA, or MBA), and veteran status.

**Application Process:** Access to the Post BSN to DNP-FNP Online Application is available in October each year.

1) Go to: DNP Website ([weber.edu/dnp](http://weber.edu/dnp))      2) Follow the links to Post BSN to DNP for FNP      3) Follow the link that says Application Information      4) **Green Apply Button**

- Previous WSU MSN graduates do not need to repeat NRSRG 6120 – Research and Statistics or NRSRG 6190 – Professional Foundations for Graduate Nursing. Non-WSU transfer students may be eligible for a NRSRG 6120 equivalency.

**Post BSN to DNP-FNP (Family Nurse Practitioner Program)**

76.5 credit hours

750 Clinical Hours and 1,000 Practicum Hours

| Semester 1 (Fall 2026) 11 hours                           | Semester 2 (Spring 2027) 9 hours                            | Semester 3 (Summer 2027) 10 hours                           | Semester 4 (Fall 2027) 10 hours                           |
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| NRSRG 6120: Research & Statistics (3.0)                   | NRSRG 6211: Adv Pathophysiology II (2.0)                    | NRSRG 6220: Adv Health Assess ( <b>LAB</b> ) (2.0)          | NRSRG 6225: FNP Clinical Skills ( <b>LAB</b> ) (1.0)      |
| NRSRG 6190: Prof. Found for Grad Nurs (1.0)               | NRSRG 6216: Adv Pharmacology II (2.0)                       | NRSRG 6221: Diagnostic Reasoning ( <b>LAB</b> ) (2.0)       | NRSRG 6230: FNP Care Lab: Ped/Womens ( <b>LAB</b> ) (1.0) |
| NRSRG 6210: Adv Pathophysiology I (2.0)                   | NRSRG 7020: Biostatistics/Epidemiology (3.0)                | NRSRG 6235: FNP Pt Care I: Adult (3.0)                      | NRSRG 6240: FNP Pt Care II: Older Adult (2.0)             |
| NRSRG 6215: Adv Pharmacology I (2.0)                      | MHA 7080: Healthcare Finance/Econ (2.0)                     | NRSRG 7060: Organizational Leadership (3.0)                 | NRSRG 6250: FNP Pt Care IV: Wmn's Hlth (2.0)              |
| NRSRG 7050: Adv Population Health (3.0)                   |   |   | NRSRG 7030: Information Technology - EPB (2.0)            |
|   |   |   | NRSRG 7070: Healthcare Policy & Prof (2.0)                |
| Semester 5 (Spring 2028) 9 hours                          | Semester 6 (Summer 2028) 12 hours                           | Semester 7 (Fall 2028) 7.5 hours                            | Semester 8 (Spring 2029) 8 hours                          |
| NRSRG 6231: FNP Care Lab: Peds ( <b>LAB</b> ) (1.0)       | NRSRG 6270: Mental Hlth for Prim. Care (3.0)                | NRSRG 7003: Telehealth for Adv Practice (0.5)               | NRSRG 7002: Transition to Practice (2.0)                  |
| NRSRG 6245: FNP Pt Care III: Pediatrics (2.0)             | NRSRG 7040: Systems Approach & QI (3.0)                     | NRSRG 7004: Comp Med & Alt Therapy (1.0)                    | NRSRG 7803: DNP Project III (3.0)                         |
| NRSRG 7010: Sch & Ethical Found for Adv (3.0)             | NRSRG 7801: DNP Project I (3.0)                             | NRSRG 7802: DNP Project II (3.0)                            | NRSRG 7905: FNP <b>Clinical IV (180 clin hours)</b> (3.0) |
| NRSRG 7902: FNP Clinical I ( <b>190 clin hours</b> )(3.0) | NRSRG 7903: FNP Clinical II ( <b>190 clin hours</b> ) (3.0) | NRSRG 7904: FNP Clinical III ( <b>190 clin hours</b> )(3.0) |   |

**All admitted applicants will be required** to complete a background check, drug screen, and physical exam and have personal health insurance. Admission to the program is contingent upon submission of a satisfactory background check and a negative drug screen. If a background check reveals a history of criminal actions, such as a Class C misdemeanor, Class B misdemeanor, Class A misdemeanor, or felony, regardless of an active Plea of Abeyance, the admissions committee will review the criminal action and admissions to the program may be denied. To comply with the requirements of our clinical partners, each applicant must pass a 12-panel drug test for entrance into the nursing program. A positive drug screen for legally prescribed medications will require the applicant to submit a prescription to the Medical Review Officer (MRO) associated with the Document Management System (Verified Credentials). Currently, Medical Marijuana Cards are not accepted by all of our clinical partners and, therefore, will not be accepted by The School of Nursing. Any applicant testing positive for Marijuana, even with a Medical Marijuana card, will not be cleared to start the program. **In the event the applicant does not meet the admission requirements, they will not be entitled to any refund of tuition dollars or other fees.**

For questions related to information in this document, please contact Tiffany Bennett, Nursing Graduate Studies Advisor & Enrollment Specialist, at [tiffanybennett@weber.edu](mailto:tiffanybennett@weber.edu) or (801) 626-6122.

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*This information is subject to change without notice. Please review the DNP website ([weber.edu/dnp](http://weber.edu/dnp)) for update – August 18, 2025.*