



10 NURSING

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)

Post BSN to DNP – Family Nurse Practitioner Applicant Checklist

*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.

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Application Information for August 26, 2024 Start Date

- 1. Online application available mid-October 2023
- 2. Application deadline is March 27, 2024 @12 p.m. [Applicants will be notified of acceptance by May 1, 2024 or earlier]

Program Information

- Up to **24** positions available
- Cohort start is based on administrative approval, funding, and a minimum number of qualified applicants. Planned start date August 26, 2024
- 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 4 and 6: These are 9-10 hour full campus days (9a-6p) during those two semesters at the WSU-Ogden Campus.
- FNP lab & clinical experiences begin semester 4 and continue through semester 8 (of 8). It is recommended that students not work full-time during these semesters (4, 5, 6, 7 & 8).
- The DNP-FNP program is clinically intensive and requires appropriate planning for success.

Program Information (Continued)

- 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 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8 in addition to class commitments and labs.
- DNP Project requirement: begins semester 3 and continues through semester 5 for prior projects, see: <u>Nursing</u> <u>Grad Projects</u> (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 \$39,500-\$44,000 (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 <u>WSU Graduate Tuition table</u>: (weber.edu/wsuimages/bursar/23-24%20Mstr%20AT.pdf)

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 of current full-time work experience as an RN by the August 26, 2024 start date.
- 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 students who are considered international students due to this status will prevent one from being in this program that involves online, hybrid & campus visits (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: <u>DNP Website</u> (weber.edu/dnp) 2) Follow the links to Post BSN to DNP for FNP

3) Follow the link that says Application Information 4) Gree

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Previous WSU MSN graduates do not need to repeat NRSG 6120 – Research and Statistics or NRSG 6190 – Professional Foundations for Graduate Nursing. Non-WSU transfer students may
be eligible for a NRSG 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)	Semester 2 (SPRING)	Semester 3 (SUMMER)	Semester 4 (FALL)
NRSG 6190: Prof. Found for Grad Nurs (1.0)	NRSG 7010: Research Found & EBP (3.0)	NRSG 6211: Adv Pathophysiology II (2.0)	NRSG 6220: Adv Health Assess LAB (2.0)
NRSG 6120: Research & Statistics (3.0)	NRSG 6215: Adv Pharmacology I (2.0)	NRSG 6216: Adv Pharmacology II (2.0)	NRSG 6221: Diagnostic Reasoning LAB (2.0)
NRSG 6210: Adv Pathophysiology I (2.0)	NRSG 7040: Systems Approach & QI (3.0)	NRSG 7030: Information Technology (2.0)	NRSG 6225: FNP Clinical Skills LAB (1.0)
NRSG 7060: Organizational Leadership (3.0)	MHA 7080: Healthcare Finance/Econ (2.0)	NRSG 7801: DNP Project I (3.0)	NRSG 6270: Mental Hlth for Prim. Care (3.0)
			NRSG 7802: DNP Project II (3.0)
Semester 5 (SPRING)	Semester 6 (SUMMER)	Semester 7 (FALL)	Semester 8 (SPRING)
NRSG 6235: FNP Pt Care I: Adult (3.0)	NRSG 6245: FNP Pt Care III: Pediatrics (3.0)	NRSG 7050: Adv Population Health (3.0)	NRSG 7002: Transition to Practice (1.0)
NRSG 6240: FNP Pt Care II: Older Adult (2.0)	NRSG 6250: FNP Pt Care IV: Wmn's Hlth (2.0)	NRSG 7020: Biostatistics/Epidemiology (3.0)	NRSG 7070: Healthcare Policy & Prof (2.0)
NRSG 7803: DNP Project III (3.0)	NRSG 6230: FNP Care Lab: Peds/Wmn's (2.0)	NRSG 7003: Telehealth for Adv Practice (0.5)	NRSG 7004: Comp Med & Alt Therapy (1.0)
NRSG 7902: FNP Clinical I 180 (3.0)	NRSG 7903: FNP Clinical II (3.0)	NRSG 7904: FNP Clinical III 180 (3.0)	NRSG 7905: FNP Clinical IV (3.0)

All admitted applicants will be required to complete a mandatory background check, drug screening, physical exam, and have personal health insurance. Admission to the program is contingent upon submission of a satisfactory background check, a negative drug screening, a physical exam, and documentation of personal health insurance. If a background check reveals a history of criminal actions or the drug screen reveals the presence of controlled substances (prescription or non-prescription) the applicant understands that they may not be allowed to begin or remain in the program and will not be entitled to any refunds of tuition dollars or other fees.

For questions please contact Robert Holt, Enrollment Director for the School of Nursing at rholt@weber.edu or (801) 626-6753.

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