



**Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) - ONLINE**

**Post-Master's to Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) – Nurse Executive Leadership Program Applicant Checklist for 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, 2025 Start Date**

Online application available mid-October 2025.

Admissions are on-going during the application window with a final deadline: August 1, 2026 (or until the cohort reaches capacity)

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**Program Information**

- Up to 16 positions available
- Cohort start is based on administrative approval, funding, and a minimum number of qualified applicants. Planned start date August 25, 2025
- Application fee: \$60 (non-refundable)

**Program Details**

- Mandatory online orientation prior approximately 4 to 8 weeks prior to program start
- Part-time program over five (5) semesters
- **Online** model of delivery for theory/didactic courses
- DNP Project required - see this for prior projects: [Nursing Grad Projects](http://weber.edu/Nursing/GradProjects.html) (weber.edu/Nursing/GradProjects.html)
- Virtual presentation of final project

**Program Cost:** Attending graduate school is a significant investment of your time and money. We are committed to keeping costs as affordable as possible while delivering high-value education to advance your nursing career. The **DNP-Executive Leadership program** is part-time, fully online, and completed in 5-semesters, giving you accelerated graduation and value-based return on time and financial investment. 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. An approximate total for the full-time program is \$17,500-\$20,000 (April 2024 \$). For detailed information regarding these costs, please visit the [Weber State University tuition and fees tables](#).

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**Application Requirements:**

- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher (on a 4.0 scale) for all college-level course work. May be a 2.7 to 3.0 Cumulative GPA if you have 5 or more years of full-time work experience as an RN (or 7 years part-time) as an RN (on 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 (3.0 or better) transfer/transferable credit hours from a regionally accredited college or university.
- Earned master's degree from a regionally accredited college or university and a major in nursing from an accredited program (ACEN, CCNE or CNEA) and/or:
  - o Master of Science in Nursing (MSN), RN
  - o Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), RN, Masters in Business Administration (MBA)
  - o Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), RN, Masters in Health Administration (MHA)
  - o Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), RN, Masters of Public Health (MPH)
- Active, unrestricted license to practice as a registered nurse or eligible to obtain licensure without restrictions to practice as a registered nurse in your state. Must be an RN in your state of residence prior to the program beginning (August 24, 2026).
- Submission of all documents: 2 letters of recommendation, vitae/resume, essay, and transcripts (online application system).
- The Department of Nursing Graduate Studies requires international applicants to submit one of the following scores with their application (test date within two years of the intended start semester): TOEFL iBT = 83 or higher; IELTS Academic Test = 7 or higher; Duolingo English Test = 120 or higher. International students with a bachelor's degree or higher from a regionally-accredited (or equivalent) university where the language of instruction was English may be exempt from this requirement.
- 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 reviewed** according to a selection point system established by the WSU Nursing Graduate Admissions Committee. Applicant ranking for all applicants includes above requirements and veteran status.

**Application Process:** Access to the Post Masters to DNP-Nurse Executive Leadership Online Application beginning in October of each year.

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

\*WSU is not permitted to admit students who are living in the following states: Arkansas, Iowa, Maryland, Massachusetts, and Minnesota

Previous WSU MSN graduates are not required to repeat NRSG 6190 – Professional Foundations for Graduate Nursing.

Post-Master's to DNP – Executive Leadership program of study 31 credit hours		
Semester 1 (FALL 25) 7 hours	Semester 2 (SPRING 26) 7 hours	Semester 3 (SUMMER 26) 6 hours
NRSG 6190: Prof Foundations for Grad Nursing (1.0)	NRSG 7010: Research Foundations & EBP (3.0)	NRSG 7040: Systems Approach & Quality Improvement (3.0)
NRSG 7020: Biostats/Epidemiology (3.0)	NRSG 7030: Information Technology (2.0)	NRSG 7801: DNP Project I (3.0)
NRSG 7050: Advanced Population Health (3.0)	NRSG 7070: Healthcare Policy & Professionalism (2.0)	
Semester 4 (FALL 26) 6 hours	Semester 5 (SPRING 27) 5 hours	
NRSG 7060: Organizational Leadership (3.0)	MHA 7080: Healthcare Finance & Economics (2.0)	
NRSG 7802: DNP Project II (3.0)	NRSG 7803: DNP Project III (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 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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