Online Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) – Clinical Leadership
Enroll as a nurse. Graduate as a leader.

Demand for nurses prepared at the bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral levels is at an all-time high. Our suite of online nursing degrees is designed to help you achieve the clinical and leadership skills needed to care for patients across health care settings.

**Online Nursing Degree Programs**

**Online Master of Science in Nursing (MSN)**
- Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner
- Family (Individual Across the Lifespan) Nurse Practitioner
- Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
- Executive Nurse Leadership and Health Care Management
- Forensic Nursing
- Nursing Education and Faculty Role

**Online Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)**
- Clinical Leadership
- Executive Nurse Leadership and Health Care Management (Post-Bachelor’s & Post-Master’s)

**Online PhD**
- PhD In Nursing
- PhD in Nursing Ethics

**Online Post-Master’s Nursing Certificates**
- Executive Nurse Leadership and Health Care Management
- Family (Individual Across the Lifespan) Nurse Practitioner
- Forensic Nursing
- Nursing Education and Faculty Role
About Duquesne University

Who we are today has a lot to do with who we were yesterday. Founded more than 135 years ago by the Congregation of the Holy Spirit, Duquesne was built on a core set of values that guides us even now.

As one of the nation’s top Catholic universities, our Spiritan tradition means a lot to us. You’ll see it in the way we treat one another, the way we learn and how we view the world. We strive to provide a well-rounded education that will challenge you academically while nourishing your spiritual and ethical development.

Today, Duquesne is home to nine schools of study and serves 9,500 students. We boast a 15:1 student-faculty ratio with 80 undergraduate programs; 90 master’s, doctoral and professional programs; and 22 postgraduate certificate programs.
Today, our school is recognized by the National League for Nursing as a Center of Excellence, and our degree programs are consistently ranked among the nation’s best by *U.S. News & World Report*.

Compassion and service are at the core of our nursing curriculum and remain a critical component in our approach to education. No matter where you are in your career, we have the experience and drive to ensure your growth as a person, care provider and nursing leader.
Accreditation and Affiliations

The MSN, DNP and Post-Master’s Certificate programs are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), a specialized accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education (USDE). The university is also a member of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) and the National League for Nursing (NLN).

Duquesne University is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE). The MSCHE is an institutional accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation.
Rankings and Recognition

As a testament to our mission-driven commitment to academic excellence, Duquesne University has earned numerous accolades for our programs and initiatives.

**U.S. News & World Report 2020 ranks Duquesne:**
No. 45 in the nation for “Best Online Master’s in Nursing Programs”
No. 5 “Best Online Family Nurse Practitioner Master’s Programs”
No. 3 “Best Online Master’s in Nursing Education Programs”
No. 57 “Best Nursing Schools: Doctor of Nursing Practice”

Ranked among the “Best 385 Colleges” — which profiles only 15% of America’s 2,500 four-year colleges.

Named as one of “America’s Top Colleges” and listed among “Best Value Colleges” and “Best Value Private Colleges.”

Recognized for Outstanding Achievements in Student Learning and Professional Development by the NLN as a Center of Excellence in Nursing Education.

Online DNP Program Curriculum

As an advanced practice nurse, you already have an expanded role in the decision-making process. By elevating your practice to the DNP level, you’ll have an opportunity to make an even bigger impact through clinical, administrative and policy initiatives — helping to improve outcomes for a much larger patient population.

Three unique residency experiences:

• Orientation residency
• Optional study-abroad residency (GPNS 917)
• Leadership residency (scholarly project)

To qualify for our online DNP program, you must:

• Hold a current, unencumbered RN license
• Hold a BSN degree from an accredited college or university with a 3.0 GPA or higher
• Hold a master’s degree (nursing or non-nursing) from an accredited college or university with a 3.0 GPA or higher. MSN degree preferred.
• Have completed an undergraduate-level statistics course with a “C” or higher or graduate-level statistics course with a “B” or higher.

Note: Prefer strong leadership experience.

Doctor of Nursing Practice
35 Credit Hours (11 courses)

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Note: Curriculum is subject to change.

View more about our admissions process
https://onlinenursing.duq.edu/admissions/
Admissions Requirements

• A completed graduate application
• Resume or curriculum vitae
• Goal statement (2-3 pages)
  • Reasons why you are pursuing your DNP degree in Clinical Leadership
  • Your professional plans, career goals and specific leadership positions you want to obtain upon completion of the DNP
  • Discuss formal and/or informal leadership roles that you have experienced and how they relate to your desire to obtain a DNP
  • Identify a health care practice or program or health policy that requires an evidence-based practice change that you would like to develop as your DNP Project
  • APRN experiences, if applicable
  • Past accomplishments you have had in nursing (professional organization membership or positions, awards, scholarships, nominations, certifications, committee/project work, scholarly publications, other accomplishments or abilities)
• Three references (one academic, one professional and one professional in a supervisory role)
• Official transcripts
• An interview may be required

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Ready to get started? Have questions? Call 888-305-5749 to speak with an enrollment advisor today.