

Doctoral

Post-Master's Doctor of Nursing Practice

Degrees Available at SIUE

- Post-Master's Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)

Out-of-state students applying for this program are strongly encouraged to discuss clinical requirements with the assistant dean of graduate programs. Clinical arrangements are not able to be made in all states. Please note that international students are ineligible to receive a student visa for this program.

Post-Master's DNP at SIUE

The SIUE School of Nursing's post-master's Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program is designed for nurses holding a master's degree as an advanced practice nurse, or holding a Bachelor of Science in nursing and a master's degree appropriate to their advanced nursing practice role.

Guided by faculty mentors, DNP candidates enrich and deepen their specialty practice by engaging in transformative educational activities. Through experiential learning, self-assessment and reflection, community engagement, interprofessional relationships, and scientific inquiry, nurses emerge as leaders, transforming their practice and healthcare in self-identified areas of concern and influence. The program culminates in a doctoral project that reflects a synthesis of the knowledge and skills gained throughout the candidate's educational experience.

To facilitate access to DNP education, the program is offered primarily online, but includes immersion experiences scheduled for one to three days in August of each year. All educational strategies focus on the development of meaningful relationships and scholarship competencies needed at the highest level of nursing practice.

Building on their specialty practice, DNP graduates design new models of care; use evidence to improve practice; evaluate outcomes; identify and manage the healthcare needs of individuals, communities, and populations; and use technology and information systems to improve health outcomes.

What can I do with a DNP?

The need for innovative strategies to improve the nation's health has created a high demand for doctorally prepared nurses who possess the sophisticated blend of interpersonal, practice, organizational, business and leadership skills as offered in the SIUE DNP program.

Program Options

Admission requirements, graduation requirements and sample curriculum plans are available at siue.edu/dnp.

Graduation Requirements

Students must successfully complete all coursework and a final doctoral project. Because the American Association of Colleges of Nursing has mandated that DNP graduates complete at least 1,000 hours of practice post-baccalaureate as part of a supervised academic program, master's degree transcripts will be evaluated individually, with a maximum of 500 clinical hours from advanced practice specialization programs counting toward the total 1,000 required hours. Deficit practice hours will be completed in the program.

Application Deadline

The priority application deadline is February 1 for summer applicants, June 1 for fall applicants, and November 1 for spring applicants. Applications may still be accepted after these deadlines if space allows.

Required Credit Hours/Tuition and Fees

- 30
- Visit siue.edu/graduate-tuition for detailed tuition information

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School of Nursing



Post-Master's DNP Faculty

Andrew Griffin, PhD, CRNA, APRN
Assistant Dean for Graduate Programs

Expertise: Office-Based Anesthesia and Anesthesia Education

Mary Lee Barron, PhD, FNP-BC

Expertise: Women's Health

Valerie Griffin, DNP, PPCNP-BC, FNP-BC, PMHS, FAANP

Director, NP Specializations, Associate Clinical Professor

Expertise: Pediatrics, Pediatric/Adolescent Psych, Family Health

Amy Hamilton, DNP, RN

Expertise: Patient Education

Elise Harmon, DNP, RN

Expertise: Med/Surg

Wendy Hochreiter, DNP, RN

Expertise: Med/Surg, Pathophysiology

Laurie Hopper, MSN, FNP-BC

Expertise: Women's Health

Frank Lyerla, PhD, RN

Expertise: Nursing Informatics, Nursing Education

Kelly McGuire, PhD, RN

Expertise: Med-Surg Nursing

Melodie Rowbotham, PhD, RN

Expertise: Nursing Education, Maternal-Newborn Nursing

April Schmidt, DNP, FNP-BC

Expertise: Family Health

Bernadette Sobczak, DNP, CPNP-PC, PMHS

Expertise: Pediatrics, Ped/Adolescent Psych, Community Health

Valerie Yancey, PhD, RN

Expertise: Nursing Theory, Hospice/Palliative Care

Mary Zerlan, DNP, CRNA, APRN

Expertise: Anesthesia for Organ Transplants and Nursing Research

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Sample Curriculum (subject to change)

	Year 1	Year 2
Fall	N600 Theory Guided Practice	3
	N604 Evaluating Evidence for Improving Practice/Healthcare Outcomes	3
	N695a Introduction to DNP Projects	1
	Total Credits	7
Spring	N606 Leadership and Health Policy for Advanced Nursing Practice	3
	Approved Elective	3
	N695p DNP Project (completion of Phase A and B)	2
	Total Credits	8
Summer	N617 Advanced Applications of Epidemiology in Practice	3
	N695p DNP Project (completion of Phase C)	2
	Total Credits	5
		N601 Ethics Studies for Advanced Nursing Practice 3 N620 Healthcare Informatics 3 Total Credits 6 N695p DNP Project (completion of Phase D and E) 4 Total Credits 4 Total Hours 30

DNP Program students are asked to attend an immersion event each August. This event generally occurs during the first two to three days of the fall semester.

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