

DOCTORAL

Post-Master's Doctor of Nursing Practice

School of Nursing

SIUE



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Post-Master's DNP at SIUE

The 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. Nurses emerge as leaders, transforming their practice and healthcare in self-identified areas of concern and influence through:

- Experiential learning
- Self-assessment and reflection
- Community engagement
- Interprofessional relationships
- Scientific inquiry

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. 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
- Use technology and information systems to improve health outcomes

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.

What can I do with a post-master's 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—all of which are offered in the SIUE DNP 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.

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Standard Program of Study (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

Admission Requirements

- Graduate School application and \$40 fee
- Submission of all postsecondary academic transcripts
- A master's degree in nursing or a bachelor's degree in nursing and a master's degree appropriate to their advance nursing practice role
- Minimum cumulative master's GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Submission of a resume or curriculum vitae
- Submission of personal statement about a potential DNP project idea that is patient or practice focused and their goals for the DNP program
- Submission of three(3) reference forms
- One must be from your current manager
- Two preferably from nurses holding a graduate degree in nursing or a related field

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.

Required Credit Hours/Tuition and Fees

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

Immersion Experiences

Students who are admitted to the program attend an immersion event the first year. Attendance is mandatory for this immersion event. Additionally, students may come to campus for the oral presentation of their final DNP practice project.

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