



## Post-Baccalaureate Doctor of Nursing Practice: Family Nurse Practitioner or Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner

The Post-Baccalaureate Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP): FNP or PMHNP program is designed to prepare individuals with the advanced knowledge, skills, values, meanings, and experiences necessary to manage health care in a safe, effective, and efficient manner in a variety of settings. The program can be completed full-time in 9 consecutive semesters/three years, including summers.

Cohorts are established annually in the Fall. *The School of Nursing is in the process of seeking approval to offer this program in a fully online format with synchronous class meetings.* Courses are primarily one day per week and immersion days may be required. Clinical placement is a collaborative process between the student and faculty.

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Graduate Application and \$30 application fee
- Earned BSN degree from CCNE or ACEN accredited institution with minimum 3.0 GPA
- Unofficial transcripts for initial admission
- Completion of Health Assessment, Pathophysiology, and Pharmacology courses with grade of “B” or better.
- Completion of undergraduate Statistics course with a grade of “C” or better within the last five years.
- Three letters of recommendation
- Current Resume/C.V.
- Essay (750 words) answering the following questions:
  - Why are you choosing to pursue the DNP?
  - Brief description of an idea for the DNP project.
- Unencumbered RN license – multi-state preferred
- [Documentation of one year of direct patient care](#) prior to specialty courses
- Interview with graduate nursing faculty will be required.
- Language Proficiency Requirement must be met. Submission of TOEFL, PTE, or Duolingo English Test may be required. See our policy for full details: <https://www.su.edu/admissions/international-students>
- Upon admission up-to-date immunizations and health records, a criminal background check, a urine drug screen, and a BCLS from AHA only will be required

*For International Students who require an F-1, I-20 visa, due limited on-campus credit hours, F-1 visas are not issued for this program.*

### TRANSFER CREDITS

- Only grades of “B” or higher are transferable.
- A maximum of 6 credit hours are transferable.

### WHERE TO BEGIN

- Apply online now by visiting [www.su.edu/sonapp](http://www.su.edu/sonapp).

### CONTACT INFORMATION

- FNP Questions: Dr. Sharon Simon, [ssimon@su.edu](mailto:ssimon@su.edu)
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- Admission Questions: Jennifer Morell, Graduate Nursing Recruitment & Admissions Director, [jmorell08@su.edu](mailto:jmorell08@su.edu)

### DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

The degree requirement is 71-78 credit hours (dependent upon program track) with a grade of “B” or better in all courses. Clinical requirement is approximately 1,000 clock hours.

<b>Courses</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Theory, Research, & Reasoning I	3
Theory, Research, and Reasoning II	3
Advanced Concepts in Physiology & Pathophysiology	3
Analytical Methods (Statistics)	3
Roles & Issues of the DNP	3
Advanced Health Promotion & Assessment Across the Lifespan	4
Applied Pharmacology & Therapeutics	3
Behavioral Neuroscience & Psychopharmacology	3
Epidemiology & Population Health	3
Project Seminar	1/1*
Integration of Translational Research	3
Project Planning	2/1*
Clinical Research Proposal	3
Grant Writing	1
Informatics & Quality Improvement	3
Project Implementation	1/2*
Leadership & Policy	3
Project Analysis & Dissemination	2/1**

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**Total** **51-52**

\* Denotes clinical course, 1 clinical credit = 60 hours

\*\* If clinical hours still needed

**Concentrations (pick one):**

**Family Nurse Practitioner**

<b>Courses</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Primary Care of Women & Children	3
Primary Care of Families: Chronic	3
Primary Care of Families: Acute	3
Families Practicum	3*
Diagnostics & Procedures	1
Primary Care Practicum	3*
Primary Care Advanced Practicum	4*
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>20</b>

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**DNP FNP TOTAL** **71-72**

**Psych Mental Health Nurse Practitioner**

<b>Courses</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Foundations of Psychotherapy	3
Management of PMH: Adult	2/2*
Management of PMH: Geriatric	2
Substance Abuse & Relationship Abuse	3
Management of PMH: Child & Adolescent	2/2*
Management of Complex PMH Across the Lifespan	2/2*
Advanced Nurse Practitioner Role Development	2
Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Practicum	4*
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>26</b>

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**DNP PMHNP TOTAL** **77-78**

\* Denotes clinical course, 1 credit hour = 4 clock hours