

# Health Care Professions Graduate Programs



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# WHY SHOULD YOU EARN A GRADUATE DEGREE IN HEALTH CARE AT SU?

Shenandoah University prepares highly empathic and collaborative health care professionals in a broad spectrum of careers. Our incredible faculty teach, train and empower students to be forward-thinking and deliver an exceptional standard of care to their patients and communities. Through diverse clinical rotations and field work, our students gain multiple perspectives and insights regarding the health care system in which they will practice.

Our graduates have nearly perfect first-time pass rates for board certifications. They excel as practitioners and leaders in communities around the world.



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# HEALTH SCIENCES

## School of Health Professions

*A degree in health sciences will lead the way to a satisfying career grounded in life sciences or business, natural sciences or leadership.*



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### ► Master of Science in Health Sciences (MSHS)

Our 33-credit MSHS synchronous online program provides a multidisciplinary focus on health care systems and offers students the opportunity to expand their career with advanced skills in research, inquiry, and leadership.

Combine your MSHS with certificates to specialize your skills.

**Campus Location:** Online    **Program Length:** 2 years    **Start Terms:** Fall & Spring

## GRADUATE CERTIFICATES

### ► Anatomy & Physiology Certificate

Our hybrid certificate with face-to-face laboratory experiences provides an understanding of human anatomy and physiology at a level required for clinical medicine.

**Campus Location:** Hybrid; Winchester & Online    **Program Length:** 4 semesters    **Start Term:** Summer



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### ► Esports Health & Fitness Certificate

### ► Esports Medicine Certificate

Our 100% online certificates provide an understanding of the esports culture including injury risk, ergonomic assessments, psychology and nutrition, to improve esports athletes health and performance.

### ► Performing Arts Health & Fitness Certificate

### ► Performing Arts Medicine Certificate

Our 100% online certificates provide an understanding of the performing arts culture, including injury risk, psychology, and nutrition, to improve artists' health and performance.

**Campus Locations:** Online    **Program Length:** 2 or 3 years    **Start Term:** Summer

### Healthcare Management Graduate Certificate

In cooperation with Shenandoah's School of Business, health professionals can choose to grow their leadership and critical thinking skills by completing our Healthcare Management Graduate Certificate. You'll know how to identify, anticipate, analyze and solve the complex problems facing health care organizations and provide indispensable, adept business guidance.



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# PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STUDIES

## School of Health Professions

A physician assistant (PA) is a licensed medical professional who holds an advanced degree and can provide direct patient care. PAs work with patients of all ages in virtually all specialty and primary care areas, diagnosing and treating common illnesses and working with minor procedures.



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### ► Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies (MSPAS)

Our 89-credit Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies program integrates graduate-level critical thinking and analysis, problem solving, scientific inquiry, hands-on experience in full-dissection cadaver anatomy, self-directed learning and the effective use of modern technology for professional practice that includes elements of research, leadership, education, and continued enhancement of the physician assistant profession. The program has a wide array of clinical rotations, some of these include rotations in medically underserved communities.

#### Key Features:

- Ranked **first in Virginia** and **21st in the United States** by U.S. News & World Report
- Multimodal, case-based **small group learning**
- **Compassionate**, accessible faculty mentors
- **Practical experience** through international learning opportunities
- Opportunities for **student leadership** and service in surrounding communities

#### Campus Locations:

Winchester or Loudoun

#### Program Length:

2.5 years

#### Start Term:

Summer

### ► Doctor of Medical Science (DMS)

Our 30-credit DMS program is a doctorate made for physician assistants, providing the advanced skills needed in today's dynamic health care environment. The focus of this clinical doctorate program is to advance student knowledge in health care science, evidence-based practice, health equity, and leadership.

#### Campus Location:

Online

#### Program Length:

One semester or part-time up to 2 years

#### Start Terms:

Fall, Spring & Summer

## DUAL DEGREES

### ► Physician Assistant/Master of Public Health (MS/MPH)

Our dual degree program emphasizes a medical curriculum that prepares PA students to apply broad knowledge and basic skills in public health in as little as three additional full-time semesters. There is also an option to complete the MPH on a part-time basis.

**Campus Locations:** Winchester or Loudoun (PA) and Online (MPH) **Program Length:** 5 years **Start Term:** Summer

### ► Physician Assistant/Performing Arts Medicine Certificate

PA students can also earn a 15-credit Performing Arts Medicine (PAM) Certificate. The certificate educates health care professionals on how to assess and manage injuries and disorders specific to those in the performing arts.

**Campus Locations:** Winchester or Loudoun (PA) & Hybrid (PAM) **Program Length:** 3-4 years **Start Term:** Summer

# PHARMACY

## School of Pharmacy

Pharmacists are medication experts who enhance patient care and promote wellness. Pharmacists use their professional knowledge to prepare and dispense prescriptions, ensure medicines and doses are correct, prevent harmful drug interactions, and counsel patients on the safe and appropriate use of their medications. They also compound personalized medications, participate in patient rounds at the hospital, reduce the spread of infections, conduct research or clinical trials, or focus on a specific patient population or disease state.



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### ► Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.)

Our entry-level Pharm.D. program prepares students to meet the challenges of the evolving health care industry, effectively serve patients in a diverse range of settings, and become valued members of the health care team.

#### Key Features:

- Personalized career and postgraduate preparation
- 15 student organizations to practice networking and leadership within the profession
- Over 1,000 unique rotation opportunities to provide real-world, hands-on training
- 100% of students receive scholarships
- Three dual degree programs to expand skill sets and marketability in the workforce

#### Campus Locations:

Winchester  
or Online

#### Program Length:

4 years

#### Start Term:

Fall

### ► Non-Traditional (Post-Professional) Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD)

Our 53-credit, non-traditional Pharm.D. program is a post-professional pathway designed for U.S. licensed and practicing pharmacists that utilizes innovative technology to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of the pharmacist as a decision maker. The format and delivery are designed to enable students to work full time while completing the courses.

**Campus Location:** Online **Program Length:** 2.5 years **Start Term:** Fall

## DUAL DEGREES

### Doctor of Pharmacy/Master of Science in Pharmacogenomics and Personalized Medicine (PharmD/MS)

Our dual degree prepares students to apply knowledge of the human genome to clinical practice for career opportunities in the pharmaceutical industry and population health.

#### Campus Locations:

Winchester & Online

#### Program Length:

4 years

#### Start Term:

Fall (PharmD) then Summer (MS)

### Doctor of Pharmacy/Master of Business Administration (PharmD/MBA)

Our dual degree provides pharmacy students who are seeking leadership positions with management and entrepreneurial skills through our AACSB International-accredited MBA program.

#### Campus Locations:

Winchester & Online

#### Program Length:

4 years

#### Start Term:

Fall (PharmD) then Summer (MBA)

### Doctor of Pharmacy/Master of Public Health (PharmD/MPH)

Our dual degree prepares students to enter a wide range of pharmacy and public health positions that address today's most challenging population health issues.

#### Campus Locations:

Winchester & Online

#### Program Length:

5 years

#### Start Term:

Fall (PharmD) then Summer (MPH)

# PHYSICAL THERAPY

## School of Health Professions

Physical therapists are licensed doctors who work with multiple patient populations impacted by disease, injury, and movement dysfunction. They optimize quality of life by maintaining, restoring, and improving a patient's ability to move, function, and live a more active lifestyle.



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### ► Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)

Our 101-credit doctoral program prepares you to obtain state licensure and enter the physical therapy profession as a compassionate, ethical and evidence-based practitioner for the management of neuromusculoskeletal impairments.

**Campus Locations:** Winchester or Loudoun **Program Length:** 3 years **Start Term:** Fall

#### Key Features:

- **Ranked 2nd in Virginia and 65th nationwide** according to U.S. News & World Report for 2025
- **98%** of our graduates pass the licensure exam
- **Student-centered curriculum** and 5:1 student-to-faculty ratio
- Opportunities to practice clinical skills throughout all three years of the program, during a total of 6 clinical education experiences with **nearly 1100 placements nationwide and internationally**
- Obtain over 240 hours of part-time and 1,280 hours of full-time supervised patient care
- Opportunities for service learning in **community-based organizations** locally, regionally, nationally, and internationally
- Close proximity to **major health system professionals and facilities**
- **State-of-the-art equipment** and Apple technology - MacBook Air laptop and an iPad with an Apple Pencil - are provided to students
- Learn from **faculty with various board-certified specialties** and participate in physical therapy research

### ► Post-Professional Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)

This program is for practicing physical therapists who completed either a master's degree or bachelor's degree in physical therapy and want to advance their career by earning their doctorate. Learn from nationally recognized faculty and build on knowledge through application of evidence-based clinical decisions and critical thinking skills to prepare for current and emerging PT practice and roles in academia.

**Campus Location:** Online **Program Length:** 1 or 2 years **Start Terms:** Fall & Summer

#### Key Features:

- Tuition **scholarships available**
- **Collaborative learning** alongside experienced peers and expert faculty
- Take up to three courses as a non-degree student before enrolling
- Internationally licensed physical therapists may apply

## DUAL DEGREE

### Doctor of Physical Therapy/Master of Science in Athletic Training (DPT/MSAT)

Our rigorous dual degree in physical therapy and athletic training is one of the only programs in the country designed for students interested in joining both professions and becoming a sports medicine expert clinician. This program prepares you to meet the standards to take the physical therapy licensure exam (NPTE) and the athletic training Board of Certification (BOC) exam.

**Campus Locations:**

Winchester &  
Loudoun

**Program Length:**

3.5 years

**Start Term:**

Summer

# OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

## School of Health Professions

Occupational therapists evaluate and treat people who have injuries, illnesses, or disabilities. They help clients meet goals to develop, recover, improve, and maintain skills needed for daily living and working.



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### Key Features:

- The national median salary for occupational therapists is **about \$96,000+**
- 98% average NBCOT pass rate over the past 3 years (MSOT) and 98% graduation rate (MSOT)
- **Hands-on learning** as you work with clients and engage in community and international service experiences
- **Close mentorship with faculty** including research opportunities and collaborative research projects
- **Online coursework** combined with classroom-based learning offers **flexibility**
- Students use **university-provided Apple tech**: a MacBook Air laptop and an iPad with an Apple Pencil
- Faculty are actively involved in **health care advocacy and clinical practice**

### ► Master of Science in Occupational Therapy (MSOT)

Our 75-credit MSOT program prepares you to become a skilled and compassionate occupational therapist, serving a diverse range of conditions in a variety of health care community-based settings.

**Campus Locations:** Hybrid; Winchester & Loudoun   **Program Length:** 6 semesters;   **Start Term:** Fall 2-2.5 years

#### The MSOT program is offered in two formats:

- Hybrid with courses one day each week at our Loudoun campus in Leesburg, Virginia
- Hybrid with courses on weekends (Saturday-Sunday) approximately twice a month for a total of seven weekends in a semester at our Winchester campus.

### ► Doctor of Occupational Therapy (OTD)

Our 107-credit, entry-level OTD program not only prepares you to become a skilled and compassionate occupational therapist, but it also offers additional focus on clinical practice skills, research skills, administration, leadership, policy development and advocacy. In addition, doctoral students complete a culminating capstone project.

**Campus Location:** Hybrid with courses one day each week in Winchester   **Program Length:** 3 years   **Start Term:** Summer

### ► Post-Professional Doctor of Occupational Therapy (OTD)

Our Post-Professional OTD program is designed for practicing, registered occupational therapists who have obtained a master's degree and want to advance in leadership and develop as evidence-based scholars.

**Campus Location:** Online   **Program Length:** 1 or 2 years   **Start Term:** Summer

# ATHLETIC TRAINING

## School of Health Professions

*Certified athletic trainers are the experts in preventing, recognizing, managing and rehabilitating injuries that result from physical activity.*



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### ► Master of Science in Athletic Training (MSAT)

Our Master of Science in Athletic Training is a 70-credit degree program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE).

**Campus Location:** Winchester **Program Length:** 2 years **Start Term:** Summer

#### Key Features:

- **95% first-time board exam (BOC)** pass rates last 5 years
- Small classes and interactive technology with **university-provided Apple tech:** A MacBook Air laptop and iPad with Apple Pencil
- **Innovative** blend of hands-on learning and clinical experiences
- Opportunities to **present research globally and locally**
- **Clinical placements** in professional, collegiate and high school sports, as well as sports medicine clinics, performing arts medicine and sports performance businesses

## DUAL DEGREES

### Master of Science in Athletic Training/Doctor of Physical Therapy (MSAT/DPT)

Our dual degree in athletic training and physical therapy is one of the only programs in the country designed for students interested in joining both professions and becoming a sports medicine expert clinician. This rigorous program prepares you to meet the standards to take the physical therapy licensure exam and the athletic training Board of Certification (BOC) exam.

#### Campus Locations:

Winchester or Loudoun

#### Program Length:

4 years

#### Start Term:

Summer

### Master of Science in Athletic Training/Master of Public Health (MSAT/MPH)

Our combined MSAT/MPH dual degree enables future athletic trainers to impact population health in innovative ways. Students may apply their combined athletic training and public health skills in such areas as population or clinical research, health administration leadership, and community health promotion.

#### Campus Locations:

Winchester (MSAT) and Online (MPH)

#### Program Length:

2 years

#### Start Term:

Summer



# NUTRITION & DIETETICS

## School of Health Professions

Registered dietitian nutritionists (RDNs) are food and nutrition experts who translate the science of nutrition into practical solutions for healthy living. They use their expertise to help individuals and groups manage health conditions, prevent disease, and optimize well-being through personalized nutrition plans and education.



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### ► Nutrition & Dietetics (MS)

Our 58-credit program combines critical thinking, problem analysis and scientific inquiry to train you for the expanded scope of dietetics practice and to understand the needs of a continually changing, complex and diverse profession. You'll be ready to meet the nutritional needs of individuals and local communities upon graduation.

#### Key Features:

- **Capstone and supervised practice experiences** such as food experimentation labs, nutrition assessment, interviewing practice, and more
- **Individualized attention** with experienced faculty advisors
- **Collaborative settings** with students in public health, occupational therapy, physician assistant studies, physical therapy and pharmacy programs so you can learn what your role in the health care team will be as you work to holistically treat patients

#### Campus Location:

Hybrid; Winchester & Online

#### Program Length:

2 years

#### Start Terms:

Fall



# PUBLIC HEALTH

## School of Health Professions

*Public health professionals help keep communities healthy. They work in many settings, including nonprofits, government, and health care, and their work can include research, practice, and service.*



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### ► Master of Public Health (MPH)

Through our 42-credit , asynchronous online MPH program, you'll gain expertise in:

- Promoting healthy behaviors
- Understanding epidemiological linkages between specific determinants/exposures and diseases
- Developing and advocating sound health policy practices
- Implementing health and disease prevention programs

#### Key Features:

- Focused on **rural and underserved populations**
- **Flexible part-time and full-time** options available
- **Interdisciplinary** and interprofessional viewpoints with a wide range of career opportunities

#### Campus Location:

Online

#### Program Length:

2 years

#### Start Terms:

Every 8 weeks

## CERTIFICATES

### Public Health Certificate

In our 18-credit certificate, you'll gain knowledge and skills in:

- The core principles in public health
- Disease prevention and health promotion strategies in communities and populations
- Identifying trends in health and illness
- Credits that can be used toward a Shenandoah University MPH degree

**Campus Location:** Online **Program Length:** 1 year **Start Terms:** Fall & Spring



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### Population Health Certificate

In our 12-credit certificate, you'll gain knowledge and skills in:

- Analyzing current health problems from a variety of interdisciplinary and interprofessional viewpoints
- Delivering effective population health across the continuum of care
- Addressing disease and injury prevention with approaches that engage communities and populations through integration of public health and clinical practices
- Credits that can be used toward a Shenandoah University MPH degree

**Campus Location:** Online **Program Length:** 1 year **Start Terms:** Fall & Spring

# SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY

## School of Health Professions



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*Speech-language pathologists work with patients of all ages diagnosed with communication disorders such as strokes, intellectual disabilities, traumatic brain injury and autism.*

### ► Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology (MS SLP)

Our 60-credit MS SLP program is designed for students with a bachelor's degree in communication disorders or related fields (psychology, biology, education, etc.) and provides academic and clinical coursework needed to meet national certification and Virginia state licensure requirements.

**Campus Location:** Hybrid; Loudoun   **Program Length:** 2 years   **Start Term:** Fall

#### Key Features:

- **Speech-language pathology named one of the top 10 professions** in 2025 by U.S. News and World Report.
- **Clinical experiences** offered through our university-based speech, language, and hearing clinic, in addition to external placement sites
- **Small cohort** of 25 students
- **In-person program** that creates important person-to-person skill sets, **with 25% of coursework offered online**
- **Employment opportunities** in a variety of settings including schools, hospitals, performing arts venues and universities
- Opportunities to collaborate with Shenandoah Conservatory to highlight the **singing voice and voice performers**



**The Master of Science (MS-SLP)** education program in speech-language pathology (residential) at Shenandoah University is a Candidate for Accreditation by the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (CAA) of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, 2200 Research Boulevard, #310, Rockville, MD 20850, 800-498-2071 or 301-296-5700. Candidacy is a "pre-accreditation" status with the CAA, awarded to developing or emerging programs for a maximum period of 5 years. For complaints, please go to: <https://caa.asha.org/programs/complaints/>

# APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS

## College of Arts & Sciences

*Applied behavior analysis (ABA) is an evidence-based approach to teaching and behavior support that involves analyzing and understanding the unique personal and environmental circumstances that influence and affect one's behavior.*

*Our ABA programs teach students to conduct ABA therapy from a place of compassion with an emphasis on individualized client-centered and assent-based procedures. Students learn how to utilize ABA approaches for a variety of individuals and contexts, including supporting neurodivergent learners, students in the classroom, and employees in business and organizational settings.*



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### Key Features:

- **Designed to accommodate individuals who are employed** full or part time
- Fully online program with classes utilizing both asynchronous and synchronous elements
- Curricula **designed to meet both the 5th and 6th Edition** coursework requirements, as mandated by the behavior analyst certification board
- **\$50,000-\$100,000** starting salary range for BCBAs
- **Nationally and regionally renowned** faculty mentors
- Programs meet behavior-analytic coursework requirements for BCBA and BCaBA certification.
- Certified by the **International Behavior Analysis Organization (IBAO)**, which allows international students to complete the academic requirements to sit for the IBAO's certification exam
- **BCBA career options include**, but are not limited to: clinical supervisor, school-support personnel, parent trainer, behavior consultant, health coach, researcher, ABA therapist, social worker, or nonprofit sector work

### ► Master of Science in Applied Behavior Analysis (MS ABA)

Our MS ABA is designed to develop the necessary knowledge, skills and ethical standards. Our program consists of 33 credit hours, including 21 credit hours of required coursework, 6 credit hours of electives, and 6 credit hours for a final capstone project. Students arrange their own fieldwork supervision with recommendations and support from SU faculty.

#### Campus Location:

Online

#### Program Length:

1.5 years or four semesters

#### Start Terms:

Fall & Summer

## CERTIFICATE

### Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)

Our 21-credit, seven-course certificate is designed for students who already hold a master's degree or are currently pursuing a master's degree in another content area. The curriculum includes 21 credit hours of required coursework without an elective or capstone requirement.

#### Campus Location:

Online

#### Program Length:

1.5 years or four semesters

#### Start Term:

Fall

# CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING

## School of Health Professions

*Clinical mental health counselors work with their clients to establish goals and develop approaches to address emotional issues, shore up skills in coping and communication, improve self-esteem, promote changes in behavior and strive for improved mental well-being.*



su.edu/CMHC

### ► Master of Science in Clinical Mental Health Counseling (MS)

Our 60-credit MS in Clinical Mental Health Counseling program provides students with the knowledge and skills to deliver individual and group counseling services grounded in evidence-based practices. Students develop their theoretical orientation through coursework, practicum experiences, and internships and will learn ethical and legal foundations as well as diverse content to work with varied clientele and diagnoses.

**Campus Locations:** Hybrid; Winchester & Online **Program Length:** 2.5 years **Start Term:** Fall

#### Key Features:

- **Career growth** is expected in substance abuse, behavioral disorders, and mental health counseling, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics; Occupational Outlook Handbook
- **70% of courses are online with 30% in-person** fieldwork and practicum experiences
- **Collaboration with graduate health professions students** in other disciplines at Shenandoah to understand biological, psychological, social and environmental factors impacting health and development
- Part-time option available for working professionals

### ► Master of Arts in Music Therapy and Professional Counseling (MA)

The Master of Arts in Music Therapy and Professional Counseling integrates clinical mental health counseling and music therapy coursework to provide a comprehensive education emphasizing ethical and culturally responsive treatment strategies. This degree fulfills the academic requirements to become a nationally board certified music therapist (MT-BC) and licensed professional counselor (LPC) in Virginia.

**Campus Locations:** Hybrid; Winchester & Online **Program Length:** 4.5 years **Start Term:** Fall

#### Key Features:

- **A combined degree in clinical mental health counseling and music therapy** which integrates job skills for inpatient, outpatient and residential settings, provides a diversified job outlook
- **18% career growth expected in the next year** in substance abuse, behavioral disorders, and mental health counseling, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Occupational Outlook Handbook

We also offer a standalone Master of Music Therapy program.

*[Learn more at su.edu/mmt](https://su.edu/mmt)*

# SCHOOL COUNSELING

## School of Health Professions

*A school counselor is a certified/licensed professional that provides academic, career, college readiness, and social-emotional support for all students. There are school counselor positions within each level of schooling.*



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### ► Master of Science in School Counseling

Our 60-credit School Counseling program prepares students to become professional school counselors equipped to support the academic, career, and personal/social development of children and adolescents in PreK-12 educational settings. *Pending approval from the Virginia Board of Education.*

**Campus Locations:** Hybrid; Winchester & Online   **Program Length:** 2.5 years   **Start Term:** Fall

#### Key Features:

- **Practicum and fieldwork opportunities** to apply theoretical skills developed in the curriculum
- School counseling career outlook shows **jobs increasing 5% between 2022-2032**, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics
- Program focuses on **social justice** and working closely with schools to ensure **holistic training**
- Option to take an additional 12 credits to become licensed professional counselor (LPC) to provide wider options for work outside of school system



# NURSING

## School of Nursing

*Nurses with an advanced degree provide high-level leadership and primary care to people of all ages. They work in collaboration with physicians and other health professionals.*



[su.edu/Nursing](https://su.edu/Nursing)

### ► **Master of Science in Nursing (MSN)**

Our MSN program offers three distinct specialties in cohorts that are established annually in the fall semester.

#### **Key Features:**

- **Online, synchronous courses** that meet one day each week
- **Immersion experiences** in-person at our Winchester campus to ensure students build critical person-to-person health care skills
- **Clinical placement is a collaborative process** between the student and the faculty
- Small cohort sizes of 15-20 students per specialty
- **Experienced faculty** who are active practitioners
- **Near-perfect licensure exam pass rates** in all three specialty areas

**Campus Location:** Online   **Program Length:** 2 or 2.5 years (varies by specialty)   **Start Term:** Fall

### ► **Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)**

**47 Credits/ 600 clinical hours**

The MSN FNP program is designed to provide nurses with the necessary education, competencies and experiences to assume the role of a primary health care provider in a variety of clinical settings. The program can be completed in seven semesters.

### ► **Nurse-Midwifery**

**46 credits/ 720 clinical hours + experiences**

Nurse-midwives are advanced practice nurses who provide family-centered primary health care to women throughout their reproductive lives, including counseling and care during pre-conception, pregnancy, childbirth, postpartum and the neonatal period. Midwifery is one of the most rewarding advanced practice nursing occupations, providing you with the framework to promote physiologic birth and affirm the power and strength of individuals while addressing their general health care. The program can be completed full-time in two years.

### ► **Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP)**

**46 Credits/ 600 clinical hours**

The MSN PMHNP program is designed to provide nurses with the necessary education, competencies, and experiences to assume the role of a PMHNP in a variety of settings. The program consists of didactic and clinical course content essential to provide pharmacotherapy and psychotherapy to individuals, families and groups within hospitals and community settings. The program can be completed in seven semesters.

### **ABSN - Accelerated Second Degree in Nursing**

Our innovative accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing BSN allows students with non-nursing bachelor's degrees to earn a BSN degree in 15 months. [Learn more at su.edu/absn](https://su.edu/absn)

## ► Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)

33 credits/540 practicum hours

The MSN-to-DNP is designed to prepare clinical nurses with the advanced knowledge and experiences necessary to manage health care in a safe, effective, and efficient manner in a variety of settings. This is an asynchronous online program with individual faculty mentorship.

**Campus Location:** Online **Program Length:** 2 years **Start Term:** Fall

### Key Features:

- Open to all advanced practice registered nurses (nurse practitioners, certified nurse-midwives, clinical nurse specialists and certified registered nurse anesthetists) who hold a master's degree and are nationally certified as an APRN (NP, CNS), CNM or CRNA
- Students **build upon their current specialty**
- **Clinical placement is a collaborative** process between the student and the faculty



## POST-GRADUATE CERTIFICATES

Our post-graduate certificates offer nurses who already hold a MSN the opportunity to enroll in courses in three distinct specialties. Two tracks are available for all programs: one for licensed nurse practitioners and one for non-nurse practitioners with MSN degrees that focus on education or leadership.

### Key Features:

- **Online, synchronous courses** that meet one day each week
- **Immersion experiences** in-person at our Winchester campus once each fall and spring semester to ensure students build critical person-to-person health care skills
- **Clinical placement is a collaborative process** between the student and the faculty
- **Experienced faculty** who are active practitioners
- **Near-perfect licensure exam pass rates** in all three specialty areas

### ► Family Nurse Practitioner Certificate

Our FNP Certificate provides students with the necessary education, competencies, and experiences to assume the role of a primary health care provider in a variety of clinical settings through both didactic and clinical courses.

**Campus Location:** Online **Program Length:** 5 semesters **Start Term:** Summer

### ► Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Certificate

Our PMHNP Certificate is designed to provide students with the necessary education, competencies, and experiences to assume the role of a PMHNP in a variety of settings.

**Campus Location:** Online **Program Length:** 5 semesters **Start Term:** Summer

### ► Nurse-Midwifery Certificate

Our Nurse-Midwifery Certificate is designed to prepare students to gently and naturally aid the childbirth process and address women's general health care. Nurse-midwives are advanced practice nurses who provide family-centered primary health care to women throughout their reproductive lives, including counseling and care during pre-conception, pregnancy, childbirth and postpartum periods.

**Campus Location:** Online **Program Length:** 3 semesters **Start Term:** Fall



## GLOBAL TRAINING FOR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS

Cultural insight is an essential component in providing high-quality health care.

Knowing this, Shenandoah offers international opportunities for its students in the health professions each year, a dedicated interprofessional group of health professionals and SU students provides health care to rural communities on a service and learning trip to Nicaragua. The team also provides oral health preventive care for several hundred children.

Our nursing program has traveled regularly to provide care to communities along the Amazon River in South America, and athletic training students routinely study and learn in Ireland. Health professions students also have engaged in experiential learning in recent years in Belize, Cuba, Ghana, Guatemala, Kenya and Morocco.

## INTERPROFESSIONAL EDUCATION FOR THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS

As a student in any of our graduate-level health care programs, you'll learn in an interprofessional environment that prepares you to operate as an essential member of a multidisciplinary health care team.

Faculty and students spanning all of our graduate health care programs meet once a semester and gain new perspectives as they discuss case studies and ideas about patient care and treatment.

Additionally we offer students unique opportunities to work with programs in virtual reality as well as with our renowned Shenandoah Conservatory – through which health care students learn to provide care for performing artists or explore how the performing arts can play a role in healing and wellness.

Several different health care and arts disciplines collaborate to provide care at our Shenandoah Performing Arts Rehab Center (SPARC).

Shenandoah is the first college or university in Virginia to have offered graduate health-related certificates in the cutting-edge world of esports. These programs enhance practitioners' knowledge and skills to provide injury prevention and identification, as well as treatment of esports athletes.



## **SHENANDOAH HEALTH CARE PROGRAMS FIRST-TIME BOARD EXAM PASS RATES ARE EXCEPTIONAL!**

- **100%** Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner, over 5 years
- **100%** Family Nurse Practitioner, over 5 years
- **100%** Nurse-Midwife Certification, within one year of graduation
- **98%** National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy Exam (NBCOT) over 3 years
- **96%** Physician Assistant National Certifying Exam (PANCE), all-time overall
- **95%** Athletic Training BOC Examination over 5 years
- **90%** Physical Therapy Licensure Exam



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