



Sacred Heart UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE OF NURSING



Lead from the Heart

Online Post-Master's Doctor of Nursing Practice

Prove Excellence With The Highest Nursing Credential

Earning your online Post-Master's Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree from Sacred Heart University powers your progression into the most advanced leadership, teaching, clinical, and research roles the nursing profession has to offer. In the program, you'll build on the foundation of your master's-level training with the highest level of nursing knowledge and skills so you can set new standards in nursing practice to teach, lead, and heal.

Choose Your Leadership Path

The program is designed for master's prepared nurses: nurse practitioners, clinical nurse leaders, midwives, nurse anesthetists, nurse executives, and nurse educators. You'll focus on excellence in nursing and improving patient and population health outcomes as the basis to any future role you serve.

Post-Master's DNP Features

This program is ideal for academically-talented nurses who prefer a doctorate with a connection to clinical practice.

- **Talented Faculty**

You will enjoy small class sizes and receive practical, personal instruction from clinically- active, doctoral-level faculty who have received state and national recognition for expertise in their specific fields.

- **Flexible Scheduling**

24/7 online study and weekend residencies designed specifically for working-nurse professionals allow you to learn and grow in a more convenient manner.

- **Highly Ranked**

Sacred Heart University is ranked among The Princeton Review's "Best 380 Colleges" and as a U.S News & World Report Top University in the North for 2015.



Accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education and the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC).

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Post-Master's DNP Curriculum



In addition to these online courses, students will also be required to complete 3 to 4 day residencies during their first and second years of study, with the option for an additional residency during the third.

DNP Core Courses		Credit Hours
NU 700	Theoretical Components of Nursing Science	3
NU 710	Health Care Policy, Advocacy and Ethics	3
NU 720	Leading Quality Initiative and Information Systems in Health Care	3
NU 735	Clinical Scholarship & Analytical Methods for Evidence Based Practice I	3
NU 740	Epidemiology and Population Health	3
NU 755	Clinical Scholarship & Analytical Methods for Evidence-Based Practice II	3
NU 760	Strategic Leadership and Collaboration in Health Care	3
NU 770	Advanced Care of Special Populations	3
NU 780	Leadership in Chronic Disease Management and Aging Population	3

Post-Master's DNP Project Courses Credits		Credit Hours
NU 721	DNP Project Topic Development	1
NU 722	DNP Project Methodology Development	1
NU 723	DNP Project Proposal Review	1
NU 724	DNP Project: Responsible Conduct of Research	1
NU 725	DNP Project Implementation and Data Analysis	1
NU 726	Final DNP Project Presentation, Dissemination and Evaluation	1
NU 810	DNP Scholarship and Advanced Practice I	3
NU 820	DNP Scholarship and Advanced Practice II	3

Elective Courses		Credit Hours
NU 781	Palliative Care	3
NU 782	Executive Leadership	3

Over the course of the three-year program, all Post-Master's DNP students will also select, develop, and present a doctoral project.

