



# FRONTIER NURSING UNIVERSITY®

## Doctor of Nursing Practice & Post-Graduate Certificates

**FNU's Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree and Post-Graduate Certificate are designed for APRNs.**

The Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) is the highest degree for clinical nursing practice. Frontier Nursing University's DNP curriculum provides education in evidence-based practice, quality improvement, and systems leadership; building on the knowledge acquired during your master's studies. Our clinical Doctorate is designed for APRNs who want to take their nursing career, leadership skills, and clinical expertise to the next level.

### **Post-Master's Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree** **30 Credit Hours for DNP\***

- Designed for nurse-midwives and nurse practitioners who have a desire to continue their education to the doctoral level.
- 30\* credit hour program with 15 and 18-month options.
- One 3-day on-campus orientation: small team cohorts for each class during clinical courses.

### **The DNP Quality Initiative**

- Facilitated learning opportunity.
- Guides students through the process of working within a healthcare delivery system to translate evidence into practice.
- Quality improvement (QI) theories, processes, and programs.
- Guided by the needs of the practice site.
- Complete population centered improvements using the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) "Model for Improvement" over three terms.

## Creating a Culture of Caring

### **Post-Graduate Certificate**      **12-52 Credit Hours** *Additional 28 credit hours for DNP\**

- In Frontier Nursing University's Post-Graduate Certificate (PGC) program, you will expand your scope of practice while building skills in leadership, clinical scholarship, evidence-based practice, and clinical evaluation. The PGC is an excellent option if you wish to specialize in an area not obtained in your original graduate studies.
- Designed for nurse-midwives and nurse practitioners who have a desire to add an advanced certification.
- Can be completed in 18-21 months.
  - Credits vary based on the individual program plans.
- One 4-day on-campus orientation: small cohorts for each section during clinical courses.

### **PM-DNP and PGC Requirements:**

- Candidates for the Post-Masters DNP and Post-Graduate Certificate programs must have a master's or higher degree in nursing and hold national certification as a nurse-midwife or nurse practitioner. (Check [frontier.edu](http://frontier.edu) for specific specialties)

**Graduates of other types of nursing master's programs may apply for transfer credit but are not eligible for the PGC option.**

**Interested in FNU's Doctor of Nursing Practice or a Post-Graduate Certificate? Contact us with questions at [admissions@frontier.edu](mailto:admissions@frontier.edu).**

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