

Approx. program length:

2 years

Credits:

31

Cost per credit:

\$810

[Tuition Guarantee](#)

Format:

Online

Doctor of Nursing Practice

Enhance your career and advance the discipline of nursing with our Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP). This program is designed for working nurses who require a doctorate for advanced practice or nurses who desire their terminal degree. It does not prepare students for professional certification or state licensure as a nurse or as an advanced practice nurse.

You'll learn how to:

- Identify problems in healthcare and use research to develop solutions
- Deliver high-quality advanced nursing care based in research evidence
- Impact the delivery of healthcare to improve patient outcomes
- Develop scholarship skills to advance the science of nursing by publishing research papers and giving presentations

Projected job growth:

18%

According to [Bureau of Labor Statistics](#)

What can you do with a Doctor of Nursing Practice?

A DNP can prepare you to be a:

- Chief executive officer
- Chief operating officer
- Chief nursing executive officer
- Vice president, patient services

According to the [Bureau of Labor Statistics](#), job growth for medical and health services managers is projected to be much faster than average between 2018 and 2028.

BLS projections are not specific to University of Phoenix students or graduates.

Institutional accreditation

University of Phoenix is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), [hlcommission.org](https://www.hlcommission.org). Since 1978, University of Phoenix has been continually accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and its predecessor.

The Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) is aligned with leading industry organizations, such as:

- American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN®)
- Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN)

Total credits required:

31

Requirements and prerequisites

You'll need 31 credits to complete this Doctor of Nursing Practice online. Your course schedule may vary based on transferable credits or credits earned through the University's Prior Learning Assessment.

11 Core Courses

Here's where you'll pick up the majority of your program-specific knowledge.

- DNP/700: DNP EXPECTATIONS SEMINAR
- DNP/701: BIOSTATISTICS AND EPIDEMIOLOGY

Applied Project

You'll begin your applied project in your first course and follow a schedule of milestones throughout your program. This makes your project achievable in smaller segments and helps identify any challenges early, so there are no surprises or delays at the end.

Partner with dedicated doctoral faculty. You'll work with your assigned Applied Project Chair throughout your program, allowing for critical feedback along the way.

Schedule

Your academic counselor will help schedule your courses for a Doctor of Nursing Practice.

What you'll learn

When you earn your Doctor of Nursing Practice online, you'll be equipped with a concrete set of skills you can apply on the job.

Topics covered in this degree include:

- Biostatistics, epidemiology and clinical inquiry
- Philosophy, theory and science for advanced nursing practice
- Information systems and healthcare delivery technology
- Policy and regulation in healthcare