Purdue University Global’s Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program prepares advanced practice registered nurses to perform at the highest level of nursing, while staying competitive in the rapidly changing health care environment. With the shrinking number of primary care providers, the nursing shortage, and the increasing complexity of patient care, the field of nursing needs clinical experts and leaders with advanced scientific knowledge and expertise.
WHY STUDY ONLINE AT PURDUE GLOBAL’S SCHOOL OF NURSING?

FLEXIBILITY FOR WORKING NURSES
Complete your coursework 100% online, on your schedule. The required practice experiences can be done at a location of your choice. Enrollment occurs throughout the year.

FACULTY EXPERTISE
Learn from practicing professionals with extensive experience in nursing and education. All professors possess advanced academic degrees.

HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE
Enrich and deepen your specialty practice by engaging in practicums focused on system quality improvement and population health.

ONE-ON-ONE MENTORING
Work directly with faculty through online discussion boards and faculty office hours, and enjoy no-cost individual tutoring. Academic and career advisors are dedicated to helping you balance school with your career and life responsibilities.

NATIONALLY RANKED AND RESPECTED
Purdue Global is part of the respected Purdue University system. One of the most prestigious research universities in the world, Purdue University is ranked in the top 10 best public universities in the U.S. by The Wall Street Journal/Time Higher Education.

BUILD PROFESSIONAL SKILLS AND EXPAND EXPERTISE
Meet the Demand for Doctorally-Prepared Nurses
Prepare for Leadership Positions

Our DNP is a practice-focused terminal nursing degree that prepares graduates to improve patient and health care system outcomes.
• Analyze data and scientific research to improve nursing practice.
• Provide organizational and system leadership to continuously improve quality of health care and foster interprofessional collaboration.
• Evaluate ethical, legal, and social factors in shaping and developing health policies.

The American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) has called for the Doctor of Nursing Practice degree to be the new standard of education for advanced nursing practice.

Be ready to pursue new career opportunities, including clinical and leadership roles ranging from nurse executive to nurse practitioner.

The Doctor of Nursing Practice at Purdue University Global is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (www.CCNEAccreditation.org).
Our DNP curriculum is based on the Essentials of Doctoral Education for Advanced Nursing Practice recommended by the AACN. The courses are updated regularly by industry experts, to ensure they reflect the most recent developments in health care.

COURSES INCLUDE:
• Scientific Foundations for Practice Doctorate
• Epidemiology and Social Determinants of Population Health
• Ethics, Policy, and Advocacy for Population Health
• Clinical Decision Making for Practice Doctorate
• Transforming the Health Care Organization

PRACTICUMS
Practicums are designed to empower students to integrate theory and scientific evidence in the quality improvement of health care systems or in population health for the nation’s major health care concerns. Each student will be guided by a DNP Faculty Mentor who is dedicated to their success. A minimum of 1,000 postbaccalaureate practice hours is required for degree completion.

SCHOLARLY PROJECT
The program culminates in the successful completion of a practice-focused project over the course of several terms. This project must demonstrate a student’s ability to synthesize scientific evidence and develop new systems or population health approaches that produce real-world outcomes in their practice settings.

PROGRAM DETAIL
Credit Hours: 48–57
Program Length: Less than 1.5 years of full-time study (48 credits)

Note: The actual number of credits required for graduation may range from 48 to 57 credits depending on the number of supervised practice hours you bring into the program at the time of enrollment. Independent study options are available for those students who need additional coursework to achieve a minimum of 1,000 hours of postbaccalaureate practice as part of a supervised academic program prior to graduation.

Terms: 10 weeks long
Start Dates: Throughout the year
Admissions Requirements: To enroll, you must possess a Master of Science in Nursing degree. If you possess a bachelor’s degree in nursing, you must complete Purdue Global’s Master of Science in Nursing—DNP Path. For complete requirements, refer to the University Catalog.

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS
• RN-to-Bachelor of Science in Nursing
• Master of Science in Nursing
• Post-Master’s Certificates
  • Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner
  • Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner
  • Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
  • Executive Leader
  • Family Nurse Practitioner, Primary Care
  • Nurse Educator

"The DNP curriculum is designed to prepare nurses to practice at the highest level of nursing to improve health outcomes for populations."

Amy Daly
Professor and DNP Program Lead
School of Nursing
INDUSTRY OUTLOOK

• One of the nation’s fastest-growing occupations, employment of nurse practitioners is projected to grow 52% from 2019 to 2029.\(^\text{5}\)  
• Due to an acute physician shortage, demand is high for advanced practice nurses who can perform many of the same services as doctors.\(^\text{6}\)  
• The AACN has called for moving the current level of preparation necessary for advanced nursing practice from the master’s degree to the doctorate level.\(^\text{2}\)

CAREER PATHWAYS AND OUTCOMES\(^\text{7}\)

Potential Responsibilities

• Develop and evaluate new practice approaches to improve health care delivery, meet current and future health needs, ensure accountability and patient safety, and evaluate effective strategies for managing ethical dilemmas.
• Leverage technology to evaluate programs and improve outcomes of care.
• Lead interprofessional teams.
• Develop and evaluate health care policy, and advocate for justice and ethics in all health care arenas.
• Integrate evidence-based clinical prevention and population health services for individuals, aggregates, and populations.
• Design, deliver, and evaluate health care using refined levels of clinical judgment, systems thinking, and accountability.
• Appraise existing literature, design and implement studies, apply relevant findings to practice, and disseminate findings to improve health care outcomes.

Settings

• Hospitals
• Primary care offices
• Community and public health centers
• Long-term care facilities
• Educational settings
• Governmental facilities

CAREER SERVICES

Our Nursing Career Specialists connect students with job and networking opportunities, and offer the following assistance:

• Career assessment/exploration
• Resume and cover letter review
• Interview preparation/mock interviews
• Portfolio development to showcase your skills
• Assistance in building an online presence
• Job search and networking support
• Virtual career fairs
• 24/7 online access to job openings and career development tools

Purdue Global Is Accredited by The Higher Learning Commission

This accreditation covers all academic programs, all regional locations, and all programs provided via distance education. Contact the HLC at HLCommission.org or call 800-621-7440.

Military Friendly

We offer reduced tuition rates for servicemembers, veterans, and spouses.

Contact an Admissions Advisor at 844-PURDUE-G or visit PurdueGlobal.edu.