



NURSING CERTIFICATES

Move Your Career Forward With an In-Demand Credential

Today's nurses are expected to take on greater responsibilities and stronger leadership roles in an era of health reform. The demand for advanced education is more critical than ever. Nursing certificates allow you to quickly specialize, advance your career, and meet the growing needs of the health care field. Although the challenges you face as a nurse may be greater, the rewards can be, too. Make sure you have the credentials, knowledge, and skills you need to get ahead.



WHY STUDY ONLINE AT PURDUE GLOBAL'S SCHOOL OF NURSING?

Built for Working Nurses

Complete courses online, without compromising your work or family schedule. Enrollment occurs throughout the year, and practicum experiences can be completed within your community — even where you currently work.

Backed by the Power of Purdue

Earn a credential you can be proud of, and one that employers will respect. Achieve more in the health care field with a name that opens doors in your career.¹

Rigorous, Relevant Curriculum

We continually revise our curriculum and learning tools to ensure industry alignment.

Faculty at the Forefront of the Field

Learn from practicing professionals with extensive expertise in nursing and education. All graduate faculty possess advanced nursing degrees and share real-world experiences in their areas of specialty.

Personal Support

Work directly with faculty through online discussion boards and seminars, and enjoy no-cost individual tutoring. In addition, academic and career advisors are dedicated to helping you balance school with your career and life responsibilities.



The baccalaureate degree in nursing, master's degree in nursing, Doctor of Nursing Practice program, and the postgraduate APRN certificate programs at Purdue University Global are accredited by the **Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education** (www.CCNEAccreditation.org).



Purdue Global's immersive VR learning program achieved the International Nursing Association for Clinical Simulation and Learning (INACSL) Healthcare Simulation Standards Endorsement.



TAKE THE NEXT STEP IN YOUR EDUCATION AND CAREER

NURSING GRADUATE CERTIFICATES

Graduate certificate programs are designed for nurses with a bachelor's degree in nursing who would like to pursue advanced roles with a specialized concentration in nursing leadership or nursing education. Certificate programs are not available in all states. Please consult an Admissions Advisor or visit our website for details.

Executive Leader

Expand your knowledge of nursing administration to pursue leadership positions that oversee complex systems and tackle the challenges of a changing health care environment.

4 courses | 20 credits

Nurse Educator

Understand advanced educational strategies and theories as you learn to design nursing courses and programs, strategies to teach patients, staff, and students, and evaluate educational programs.

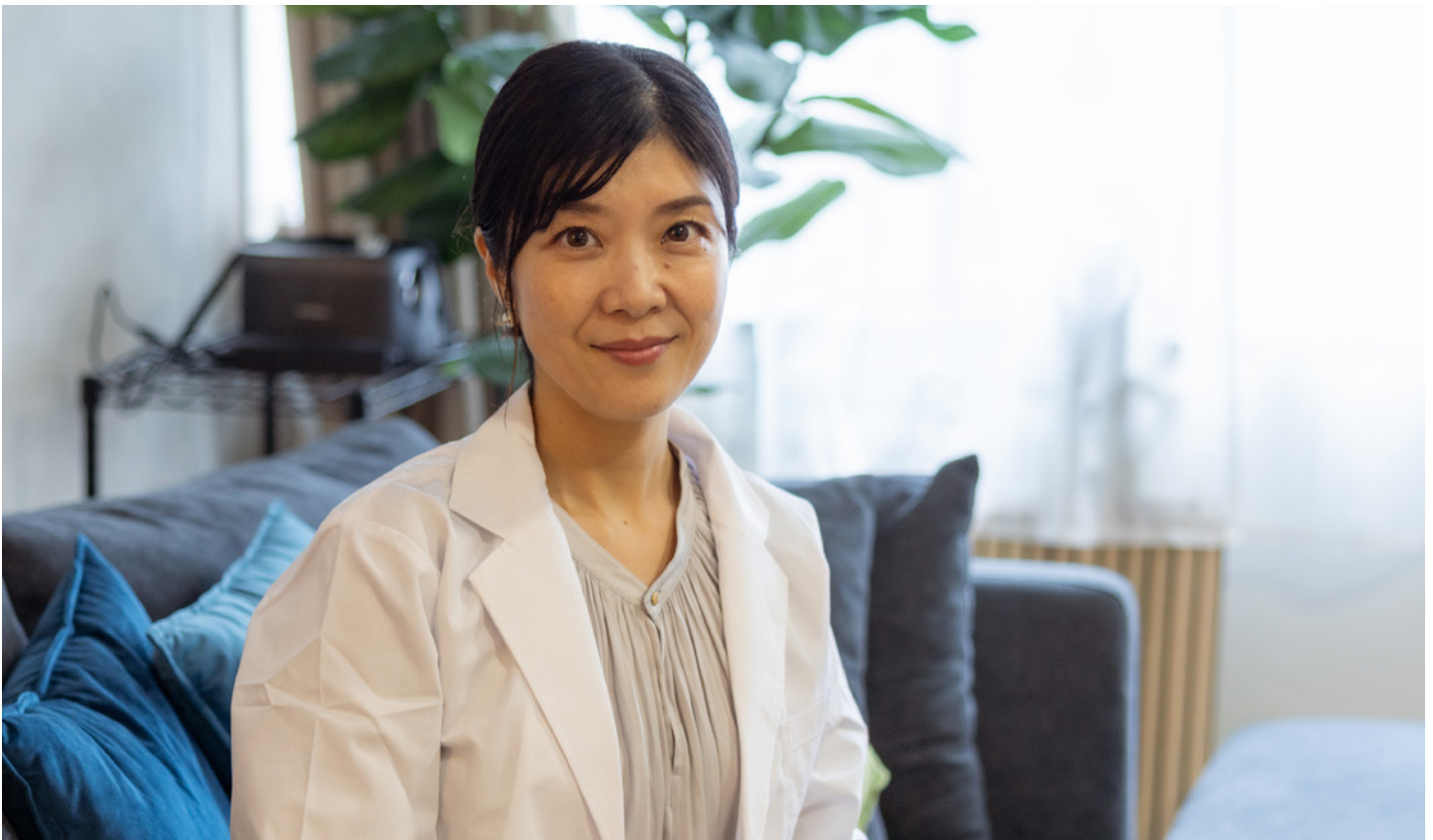
4 courses | 20 credits

Prepare for Your Master's Degree

When you complete one of the nursing graduate certificates, you'll have a head start on your master's. With Purdue Global, you can use the credits from our graduate nursing certificates toward the requirements of our MSN degree.

ExcelTrack® Option

Both of our graduate certificates are available as ExcelTrack®,² a personalized learning option that gives you more control over your education. In the accelerated certificate program, you'll take assessments to show what you already know. Then complete 1-credit courses that cover a single piece of knowledge or skill so you can quickly earn your certificate.



NURSING POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATES

Our postgraduate certificate programs are designed for nurses with a master’s degree in nursing who are interested in advancing their career in a specific population focus area. Nurse practitioner certificate programs are available only in select states. Contact an Admissions Advisor or visit our website for details.

In all of our nurse practitioner (NP) certificate programs, you’ll gain hands-on experience through a local practicum with a qualified preceptor. Our curriculum also includes immersive, virtual reality technology to help you practice clinical procedures.³

Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (AGACNP)

Prepare for professional practice in the medical, surgical, and critical care management of acutely ill adult patient populations.

12 courses | 57 credits

Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner (AGPCNP)

Gain the skills to diagnose, treat, and manage acute and chronic health conditions; deliver preventive care; and develop appropriate policy- and evidence-based practice for elderly patients. 12 courses | 51 credits

Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP), Primary Care

Learn to effectively evaluate the health and wellness of individuals, families, and communities. Prepare to diagnose, treat, and manage acute and chronic health conditions; deliver preventive care; and develop appropriate policy- and evidence-based practice.

12 courses | 60 credits

Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP)

Prepare for direct care management of psychiatric mental health disorders, medical organic brain disorders, substance abuse problems, and complex co-occurring disease processes and disorders across the lifespan. 12 courses | 48 credits

Women’s Health Nurse Practitioner (WHNP)

Build the clinical expertise and specialized knowledge to address the complex and evolving health needs of women, from adolescence through menopause and beyond. Develop the skills necessary to promote and maintain women’s health, manage acute and chronic conditions, and provide patient-centered reproductive care. 12 courses | 60 credits

PREPARE TO EARN A CERTIFICATION	
As a graduate of these certificate programs, you may be eligible to sit for the following certification exams. ⁴	
Nurse Educator Graduate Certificate	National League for Nursing's Certified Nurse Educator (CNE) American Nurses Credentialing Center's General Nursing Practice Certification (RN-BC)
Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (AGACNP) Postgraduate Certificate	American Nurses Credentialing Center's Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner American Association of Critical-Care Nurses' Acute Care Nurse Practitioner
Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner (AGPCNP) Postgraduate Certificate	American Nurses Credentialing Center's Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner American Academy of Nurse Practitioners' Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner
Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP), Primary Care Postgraduate Certificate	American Nurses Credentialing Center's Family Nurse Practitioner American Academy of Nurse Practitioners' Family Nurse Practitioner
Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) Postgraduate Certificate	American Nurses Credentialing Center's Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner American Academy of Nurse Practitioners' Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
Women’s Health Nurse Practitioner (WHNP) Postgraduate Certificate	National Certification Corporation's Women's Health Care Nurse Practitioner Board Certification (WHNP-BC®)

Career and Networking Opportunities

Industry Outlook

- Overall employment in the health care field is expected to grow much faster than the average for all occupations from 2025 to 2035, with 1.9 million openings expected each year on average.⁵
- One of the nation's fastest-growing occupations, employment of nurse practitioners is projected to grow 41% from 2025 to 2035.⁶

Additional Programs

- Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)
- Master of Science in Nursing (MSN)
- MSN-Master of Business Administration (MBA) Dual Degree
- MSN-Master of Public Health (MPH) Dual Degree
- MSN-Master of Health Care Administration (MHCA) Dual Degree

Career Pathways and Outcomes

Roles

- Nurse practitioner
- Nurse administrator
- Nurse educator

Settings/Industries

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

Accredited by the Higher Learning Commission

Purdue Global is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). The HLC (HLCcommission.org) is an institutional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

Military Friendly

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

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

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: PLEASE READ

For comprehensive consumer information, visit info.purdueglobal.edu.

NOTES AND CONDITIONS

1 Employment and Career Advancement: Purdue Global does not guarantee employment placement or career advancement. Actual outcomes vary by geographic area, previous work experience, and opportunities for employment.

2 ExcelTrack®: ExcelTrack® is available for select programs. Degree pace and time and cost savings will vary by individual.

3 Contact an Admissions Advisor for more information about the number of hours needed to complete the clinical requirement.

Note: At this time, residents of the following states and territories may not enroll in this program: Hawaii, Louisiana, New York, Oregon, Tennessee, Utah, and Guam. In addition, international students are not eligible to enroll in this program.

4 Nursing Licensure: Graduates who pass the relevant certification exam may be academically eligible for licensure as an advanced practice registered nurse in any state in which the program is available for enrollment. Licensure-track programs may limit enrollment to students in certain states. Refer to Purdue Global's State Licensure and Certifications page for state-specific licensure information. The University cannot guarantee students will be eligible to sit for or pass exams.

Please note that most states require nurses to be nationally certified and to have completed an accredited graduate nursing program in order to obtain licensure as an advanced practice registered nurse. Each national certification provider and state Board of Nursing will have eligibility requirements in addition to these educational requirements, such as passing a criminal background check. Students are responsible for determining whether they are eligible for state Board of Nursing approval and certification as an advanced practice registered nurse in their state. Students can obtain additional information from their state's Board of Nursing, the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP), the American Association of Critical-Care Nurses (AACN), and the National Certification Corporation (NCC).

5 Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Healthcare Occupations, <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/home.htm>. National long-term projections may not reflect local and/or short-term economic or job conditions, and do not guarantee actual job growth.

6 Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Fastest Growing Occupations, <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/fastest-growing.htm>. National long-term projections may not reflect local and/or short-term economic or job conditions, and do not guarantee actual job growth.