

VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY GRADUATE NURSING PROGRAM

Nurse Practitioner: Adult, Pediatric & Geriatric

DISCOVER OPPORTUNITIES

Are you looking for a nurse practitioner (NP) program that combines faculty mentorship, extensive clinical practice and critical courses for role preparation? Find out more about Villanova University College of Nursing's master's and post-master's options for adult, pediatric and geriatric NPs.

A STRONG TRADITION

Villanova University is an institution rich in history and tradition. For almost 200 years Villanova has been directed by one of the oldest teaching orders of the Catholic Church, the Order of St. Augustine.

The College of Nursing MSN program was initiated in 1980 with a five-year federal grant to prepare students for leadership roles in nursing. Our program has grown dramatically over the years in response to trends in health care and changing health care needs in society. From our early beginnings as a program to prepare nurse educators and administrators, the Graduate Program has expanded to prepare advanced practice nurses, as well as educators and administrators. Our reputation for quality is reflected in the graduates of our program and the roles they assume. With your Villanova degree, you will create a future with endless possibilities.



BENEFITS OF THE NP OPTIONS:

- You have the option of classroom, online, and web-enhanced courses.
- Our flexible curriculum means convenience for your busy life. Take one, two, three or four courses a semester to meet the needs of your professional and personal lifestyle.
- Our personal touch and partnership approach bring your education, advising and career networking to a new level.
- You gain the knowledge and skills essential to independent or collaborative practice in primary care settings.
- You work with nurse practitioner preceptors, physicians and other health care providers as you are given access to a wide variety of practice settings and clinical agencies.
- Our graduates are highly respected for their expertise and are employed in primary care settings across the country.
- Small class size allows us to focus on your individual educational needs.
- Our curriculum includes a hands-on skill lab in suturing.
- You may choose from variety of elective options.

RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE

- Villanova University College of Nursing is fully accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education and is a National League for Nursing Center of Excellence in Nursing Education.
- Our Graduate Nursing Program is ranked among the top programs in the country by *U.S. News & World Report*.



NURSE PRACTITIONER CURRICULUM*

Core Courses

- Clinical Ethics: Theory and Practice
- Critique and Design of Nursing Research
- Development of Nursing Science
- Leadership
- Independent Study

Support Courses

- Advanced Pathophysiology
- Advanced Pharmacology
- Advanced Nursing Practice in Primary Care
- Elective

Program-Specific Courses

- Family Systems and Dynamics (Adult NPs)
- Health Promotion of the Growing Child (Pediatric NPs)
- Trends in Aging (Geriatric NPs)

Clinical Courses

- Clinical Management I
- Practicum I
- Clinical Management II
- Practicum II

Curriculum is 45 credits

*Students earning a post-master's certificate take the program-specific, support and clinical courses. There are no core course or elective requirements.



“The nurse practitioner program fully prepared me for my current position by emphasizing assessment skills and decision making capabilities. The professors challenged us to develop our full potential as new nurse practitioners. I would strongly recommend this program to any nurse aspiring to become a practitioner.”

LORI MUSOLF NERI, RN, MSN, CRNP

FIND OUT MORE

For more information on the master's and post-master's preparation for adult, pediatric and geriatric NPs, as well as application details, visit:

www.villanova.edu/nursing/programs/graduate.

Be sure to read the prerequisite and FAQ sections of our site. Questions? Email nursing.graduate@villanova.edu or call 610.519.4934.



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