

GRADUATE ADMISSIONS

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BSN to DNP

SVSU'S BSN TO DNP DEGREE PROGRAM PREPARES A REGISTERED NURSE TO PRACTICE AS A PRIMARY CARE FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER (FNP).

STUDENTS ARE AWARDED A MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (MSN) AT THE END OF YEAR THREE AND CAN TAKE THE FNP CERTIFICATION EXAM TO BEGIN PRACTICING.



BSN to DNP Admission Requirements*

- Online application (www.svsu.edu/graduateprograms/)
- BSN from an accredited university with a GPA of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale in all nursing and prerequisite coursework
- Official undergraduate & graduate transcripts (if applicable)
- At least three undergraduate credits in statistics (equivalent to approved SVSU courses) with a grade of C or higher
- At least three undergraduate credits in college chemistry (general, organic or biochemistry) with a grade of C or higher
- Current nursing license in Michigan
- Current résumé
- Three (3) recommendation forms; one from a doctorally-prepared academician and the others from a previous faculty member, an employer or professional colleague
- Essay DNP Essay Goal Statement (1,000-1,250 words in APA format including four (4) scholarly references; essay prompt available online)
- Interview

*Additional application requirements for international applicants available online.

SVSU's undergraduate and graduate nursing programs are accredited by the **Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)**, which is affiliated with the American Association of Colleges of Nursing.

OPTIONAL 'STOP OUT'

*Upon earning their MSN (after completing 52 credits), students can take elect to **stop out** of the program, sit for the FNP Certification Exam and begin practicing.*

Students return later to complete the DNP requirements.

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BSN to DNP Degree Requirements

All students in the BSN to DNP program complete the following Core Courses and the project courses (79 credits required, which includes a total of 1,020 clinical hours)

CORE COURSES

(70 CREDITS, INCLUDING 720 PRACTICE EXPERIENCE HOURS)

NURS 638	Nursing Theory & Knowledge Development	3 cr
NURS 642	Healthcare Policy & Funding for ANP	3 cr
NURS 644	Nursing Leadership & Ethics	3 cr
NURS 648	Research in Advanced Nursing Practice	3 cr
NURS 678	Research Project I	1 cr
NURS 681	Research Project II	1 cr
NURS 682	Research Project III	1 cr
NURS 760	Nursing Informatics & Quality Improvements	3 cr
NURS 772	Epidemiology & Population Health in ANP	3 cr
NURS 610	Pathophysiology for FNP	3 cr
NURS 612	Pharmacology for FNP	3 cr
NURS 614	Professional Role Development for FNP	1 cr
NURS 616	Genomics Competencies for ANP	1 cr
NURS 636	Diagnostic Reasoning and Clinical Decision Making	1 cr
NURS 670	Advanced Assessment for FNP	3 cr
	(Includes 120 practice experience hours)	
NURS 671	Family Health Care I	3 cr
NURS 672	Family Health Care II	3 cr
NURS 673	Family Health Care III	3 cr
NURS 674*	FNP Clinical	2-4 cr
	(10 total credit hours)	

*(10 credits total; 600 total practice experience hours with 2-4 credits [120-240 practice experience hours] taken concurrently with the Family Health Care I, II, and III sequence).

NURS 800	Scholarship of Advanced Nursing Practice	3 cr
NURS 806	Knowledge Development for Advanced Nursing Practice	3 cr
NURS 812	Translational Scholarship	3 cr
NURS 818	Nursing Leadership for Policy & Interpro	3 cr
NURS 824	Analytic Methods of Quality Improvement	3 cr
NURS 830	Financial Data for Practice	3 cr

DNP PROJECT

(9 CREDITS, INCLUDING 300 PRACTICE EXPERIENCE HOURS)

NURS 839**	DNP Project Development (includes 60 practice experience hours)	3 cr
NURS 842**	DNP Project Implementation	3 cr

** (2 cr didactic and 1 cr practice = 60 practice hours)

NURS 870	DNP Project Dissemination (includes 180 practice experience hours)	3 cr
NURS 837	DNP Practice (required only if needed to attain 1000 practice hours)	2-4 cr

For a DNP degree, there is a practice application-oriented final DNP project required rather than a dissertation, measured according to its contribution to improved outcomes. The DNP program focuses on the translation of new science, its application and evaluation. In addition, DNP graduates generate translational evidence through their practice to guide improvements in practice and outcomes of care.

For more information or to access our application, visit:

www.svsu.edu/nursingdnp