

SETTING THE STANDARD

The changing demands of this nation's complex healthcare environment require the advanced level of scientific knowledge and practice expertise to assure high quality patient outcomes.

Creighton University School of Nursing is dedicated to educating Advanced Practice Registered Nurses who are ready to take an active role in delivering outstanding healthcare and in shaping health policy. In addition, Creighton was the first in Nebraska to offer the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree, the highest level of preparation for clinical practice. The DNP enables nurses to be at the bedside and at the table as health reforms are implemented.

Noted for innovative programs that keep pace with the ever-changing field of nursing, Creighton University School of Nursing has earned a national reputation for providing excellence in nursing education and commitment to service. Currently, 182 schools offer the DNP degree. Creighton is among the universities setting the standard.

PREPARE FOR THE FUTURE NOW

Creighton University School of Nursing educates you for the world that will be.

"Our DNP and MSN graduates will be equipped to provide leadership. They will excel in translating research into practice, evaluating evidence, applying research in decision making and implementing viable innovations to change practice," says Eleanor Howell, Ph.D., R.N., dean of the Creighton University School of Nursing.

Howell attributes the movement toward doctoral preparation to the increasing complexity of healthcare, expanded knowledge, as well as to keep pace with doctoral preparation by other health professions, such as pharmacy, occupational therapy and physical therapy.

"The model of healthcare delivery is moving towards an interdisciplinary team consisting of nurses, physicians, pharmacists and other specialists," Howell says. "Nurse clinicians who are skilled in communication techniques, such as negotiation, mediation, facilitation and research translation are essential to care teams."

Through nursing courses and Creighton University's Werner Institute for Negotiation and Dispute Resolution coursework, Creighton graduate program nurses will be able to guide communication and teamwork, as well as shape policy, patient safety and best practices.



Archana Chatterjee, M.D., and Katie O'Keefe, DNP, confer on a course of care for their patient. Interdisciplinary collaboration and teamwork are key competencies needed for the 21st century healthcare delivery system.

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THE CREIGHTON DIFFERENCE

Creighton University, founded in 1878 and one of 28 Catholic, Jesuit universities in the United States, is nationally recognized for providing a challenging and balanced educational experience. We are sustained by our tradition, which seeks to educate women and men who are not only proficient in their professions, but enlivened with a spirit of service to create a more just world. We educate competent, compassionate and committed students who can become agents of change.

Creighton faculty members engage in clinical practice and conduct research to enhance teaching, to contribute to the betterment of society, and to discover new knowledge. Faculty and staff stimulate rigorous critical and creative thinking and provide ethical perspectives for dealing with an increasingly complex world.

Service and outreach experiences offered through our programs are an important hallmark of a Creighton education.

The University is located in Omaha, Neb. (population 850,000+ metro area) on a 130-acre campus adjacent to the downtown business district. Omaha is widely considered to be one of the safest cities in the United States, with a low unemployment rate, thriving economy, and lively entertainment and nightlife—from shopping, sporting events and restaurants to galleries, museums and theaters.

The School of Nursing also has a campus in Hastings, Neb., adjacent to Mary Lanning Healthcare (MLH).

▶ **one GOAL** ▶ **one CHOICE**

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GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS:

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING &
DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE**





SHAPE THE FUTURE OF HEALTHCARE WITH YOUR DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE OR MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING DEGREE

Earn your Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) or Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree from Creighton University School of Nursing – ranked in the top 100 graduate nursing programs in the nation by *U.S. News and World Report*. Creighton offers many different specialty tracks for the MSN and the state's first DNP program. We are committed to working with you to match a program of study to your needs and career goals.

Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree Program

Applicants must have a BSN or MSN/MS in Nursing to enter the DNP degree program

Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) Tracks Nurse Practitioner

- Family Nurse Practitioner
- Adult/Gerontology Nurse Practitioner
- Adult/Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner
- Neonatal Nurse Practitioner
- Pediatric Acute Care Nurse Practitioner

Clinical Nurse Specialist

- Adult/Gerontology Clinical Nurse Specialist
- Neonatal Clinical Nurse Specialist
- Pediatric Clinical Nurse Specialist

Clinical Systems Administration Track

Advanced Public Health – Global Health Nurse Track

Master of Science in Nursing Degree Program

Applicants must hold a BSN to enter the MSN degree program

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Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL) Track

- BSN-MSN CNL

Clinical Systems Administration Track

Advanced Public Health – Global Health Nurse Track

Post Master's to Doctor of Nursing Practice Program

Applicants must have a MSN/MS in Nursing to enter this program
Most tracks are available.

Courses in curriculum, instruction and educational evaluation are available to graduate students regardless of their specific track. The education courses are based on graduate level competencies, rather than baccalaureate level competencies.

Optional Specializations: Concentrations in gerontology, cardiology and oncology are available for both the Nurse Practitioner and Clinical Nurse Specialist tracks.

The program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Creighton University is fully accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

Post Master's Certificates

- Family Nurse Practitioner
- Adult Nurse Practitioner
- Neonatal Nurse Practitioner
- Pediatric Acute Care Nurse Practitioner

To best serve our students, we regularly explore specialty courses and populations for special emphasis in the graduate curriculum. The curriculum is subject to change.

Visit <http://nursing.creighton.edu> for the most current curriculum information.

Application to these programs include:

- Evidence of Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)
- Personal Statement of Goals
- Professional Resume
- RN Licensure Documentation
- Three Evaluations/References
- **Official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended** (GPA should be a minimum of a 3.0 on a 4.0 scale)
- International Students: TOEFL score of 600 Paper-Based Test, 250 Computer-Based Test or 100 for the Internet-Based Test required
- Application Fee

Distinctive features of these programs include:

- **No GRE is required**
- **No thesis is required**
- Most classes meet once a week; some specialty courses may be offered other days
- Full- and part-time options are available
- Distance modalities including video, web and/or transmission are available in selected classes
- New graduates may be admitted to core graduate courses prior to completing the 2,000 hours of clinical practice necessary to proceed into upper level clinical courses

Complete your application online at <http://nursing.creighton.edu>.