



Curriculum effective Fall 2026

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Post-Baccalaureate DNP Family Nurse Practitioner in Emergency Care Program

The Post-Baccalaureate Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Family Nurse Practitioner in Emergency Care (FNP-EC) Program is based out of Newark, NJ. This program of study prepares nurses to assume the assessment and management of emergent and urgent care to patients across the lifespan. Graduates are also prepared in the role of primary care provider for patients from birth until the end of life. The curriculum provides a combination of theory and practicum experiences. The School of Nursing offers students the opportunity to learn from experienced and nationally recognized faculty who are all actively engaged in teaching and clinical practice. Students receive mentoring and individualized attention from faculty throughout the program.

Role and Qualifications: A FNP-EC has a graduate degree in nursing and advanced preparation in the evaluation and management of changing health needs in individuals across the lifespan and is distinguished by doctoral preparation that supports advanced clinical practice and leadership in nursing. Upon successful completion of the program, graduates are eligible to take the Family Nurse Practitioner certification exam offered by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) or American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP). Once nationally certified, graduates may apply for certification in the state of New Jersey as an advanced practice nurse with prescriptive authority. As a certified FNP, graduates are eligible to take the Emergency Nurse Practitioner certification exam offered by AANP.

Scope of Practice: The FNP-EC promotes the provision of timely and comprehensive care to all patients seeking emergency services while striving to eliminate healthcare disparities among diverse populations using evidence-based practice. The FNP-EC role is grounded in the nursing, biological, social, and behavioral sciences.

Curriculum: The program is 81 credits with 1,020 precepted practicum hours and 320 DNP Project Experience hours. The following are the required courses for this program:

Core Courses:

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hrs.	Clinical Hrs.
XXXX 0000	Advanced Health Assessment	3.00	N/A
XXXX 0000	Advanced Pathophysiology	3.00	N/A
XXXX 0000	Advanced Pharmacology	3.00	N/A

Subtotal Core Credits: 9.00

DNP Core Courses:

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hrs.	DNP Hrs.*
XXXX 0000	Role Development and Foundations of Practice	3.00	N/A
XXXX 0000	Epidemiology and Biostatistics for Evidence-Based Practice	3.00	N/A
XXXX 0000	Scholarly Inquiry, Appraisal, and Writing	3.00	N/A
XXXX 0000	Health Data, Informatics, and Technology	3.00	N/A
XXXX 0000	Strategic Leadership and Partnerships	3.00	35
XXXX 0000	Healthcare Delivery and Economics	3.00	35
XXXX 0000	Evidence-Based Approaches to Advanced Nursing Practice	3.00	N/A
XXXX 0000	Advanced Population Health, Policy, and Advocacy	3.00	N/A
XXXX 0000	DNP Project Preparation	2.00	30



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XXXX 0000	DNP Project Planning and Proposal Development	2.00	70
XXXX 0000	DNP Project Implementation	2.00	100
XXXX 0000	DNP Project Evaluation and Dissemination	2.00	50

Subtotal DNP Core Credits: 32.00

Specialty Courses:

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hrs.	Clin. Hrs.
XXXX 0000	Diagnostic Reasoning and Health Promotion	3.00	N/A
XXXX 0000	Family NP Psychiatric-Mental Health Care	1.00	N/A
XXXX 0000	Family NP Reproductive and Perinatal Care	1.00	N/A
XXXX 0000	Family NP Pediatric Care	1.00	N/A
XXXX 0000	Family NP Theory 1	3.00	N/A
XXXX 0000	Family NP Practicum 1 for ENP Students	3.00	180
XXXX 0000	Family NP Theory 2	3.00	N/A
XXXX 0000	Family NP Practicum 2	3.00	180
XXXX 0000	Family/Emergency NP Theory 1 and Diagnostic Reasoning & Clinical Decision-Making	3.00	N/A
XXXX 0000	Family/Emergency NP Practicum 1	3.00	180
XXXX 0000	Family/Emergency NP Theory 2	3.00	N/A
XXXX 0000	Family/Emergency NP Practicum 2	4.00	240
XXXX 0000	Family/Emergency NP Theory 3	3.00	N/A
XXXX 0000	Family/Emergency NP Practicum 3	4.00	240
XXXX 0000	Family NP Review and Role Transition	2.00	N/A

Subtotal Specialty Credits: 40.00

Total Program Credits:	81.00
Total Clinical Hours:	1,020 (minimum)
Total DNP Project Hours:	320 (minimum)
Total DNP Degree Hours:	1,340 (minimum)

*A student who does not complete their DNP Project during the project-related courses will be registered for a 1-credit DNP Project Continuation course (XXXX 0000) until the project sequence is complete.