

Graduate Certificate Post MSN APRN

Certificates

- Family Nurse Practitioner-Primary Care
- Pediatric Nurse Practitioner-Primary Care
- Pediatric Nurse Practitioner- Acute Care
- Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner-Primary Care
- Women's Health Nurse Practitioner-Primary Care
- Adult-Geriatric Nurse Practitioner-Primary Care

Degree Program

- One-year (year-round) program, starting in fall semester only
- A minimum of 18 credit hours including 500-600 clinical hours (dependent on certification board requirements)
 - Some clinical hours from a previous program may apply (up to 200 hours)
- Students must have completed the following didactic courses or it's equivalency from their previous accredited MSN Nurse Practitioner program:
 - Pathophysiology for Advanced Nursing Practice
 - Health Assessment for Advanced Nursing Practice
 - Pharmacology for Advanced Nursing Practice
 - Clinical Diagnostics for Advanced Nursing Practice
 - Advanced Practice Nursing Role
 - Minimum 500 clinical hours

Program Website

<http://umsl.edu/go/PostMSNGradCert>

Application Requirements

1. MSN from an accredited university and Nursing licensure with eligibility for Missouri license
2. Graduate coursework in health assessment, pathophysiology, pharmacology and board certification as an APRN in one of the six population of foci (e.g., adult-gero, family, neonatal, pediatric, psychiatric, women's health)
3. Graduate School Application: <http://umsl.edu/go/Apply-Now>
4. Two Letters of Recommendation
5. College of Nursing Application: https://apps.umsl.edu/webapps/ITS/Nursing_apps/login.cfm
6. Essay describing current and future practice goals
7. Transcripts
 - a. Official transcripts from all universities attended.
 - b. International applicants are required to document English proficiency by providing scores from an internationally accepted standardized examination before a decision is made on admission.
8. Grade Point Average
 - a. Minimum of 3.5 on 4.0 scale in the MSN program

Application Deadline

Applications may be processed after the deadline. However, applications that are not received by the posted date may delay admission until the following semester.

- Fall term – April 1

Application Fee

\$50 for domestic applicants; \$40 for international applicants

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