Nursing (Family Nurse Practitioner), DNP

Program Description

The Primary Care Family Nurse Practitioner concentration prepares primary health care providers for the community and ambulatory setting. It is designed to prepare the NP to exercise independent judgment in assessment, supervision, and management of the primary health care needs of the individual in consultation and collaboration with primary-care physicians.

The Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) program at the Loma Linda University, School of Nursing, prepares students to provide quality primary health care services to individuals from infancy through adulthood. We promote whole-person care throughout our nursing programs. This type of care gives practitioners a unique opportunity to develop long-term relationships with patients. As an FNP you are positioned to become an expert in each patient’s health history, and health background. Providing care throughout each individual’s life span will help you make the best healthcare recommendations possible. With an emphasis on preventative care, many Family Nurse Practitioners practice primarily in ambulatory care settings, and make significant contributions to underserved populations.

The Primary Care Family Nurse Practitioner BS to DNP program is 3 years and 6 months full-time. Part-time option is also available. The program is offered in a hybrid format.

The program is divided into 4 parts:

1- Core Courses: 4 days each quarter on-campus with online interaction, mentored-inquiry courses.
2- Concentration Courses
3- Clinical Experience: students are required to complete on average 1000 clinical hours at a facility assigned by LLU School of Nursing in combination with theory classes taught on campus.
4- DNP Project: The DNP Project can be done in the workplace allowing students to collect evidence based research data.

Program Length

4 years full-time, 5 years part-time

Possible Careers

Private practice and clinics where primary care is given.

Application Deadlines

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<th>Quarter</th>
<th>Application Open</th>
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<td>Winter of 2020</td>
<td>Dec 1, 2018</td>
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Prerequisites

- Baccalaureate degree in nursing from an accredited program
- GPA of 3.0, both cumulative and in nursing courses
- Current United States RN license before application*
- One year of RN experience in the area of desired clinical concentration is strongly advised for application competitiveness
- Application with personal statement
- Three electronic recommendations (recommenders will receive an email once application is submitted) – preferred: professor, current work supervisor
- Official transcripts for all college credits
- Shadowing highly recommended (4 to 8 hours)
- Interview by faculty members in the School of Nursing
- Health Science Reasoning Test**

*California RN license required before start of classes

**Taken on site

Discipline Accrediting Agency

The program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Graduates are prepared for certification by the State of California and the American Nurses Association as a Nurse Practitioner.

State Accrediting Agency

Loma Linda University is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). The California Board of Registered Nursing granted continuing approval in 2010 to the School of Nursing.

Expected Cost of Attendance

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Notes

Expected costs for the academic year are based on full time attendance. From year to year, increases are anticipated consistent with inflation in the professional education sector.

Tuition/Fees is an estimation based on 3 quarters with an average of 10 units (2 classes) per quarter. Living Expenses is calculated for financial aid purposes and is based on 3 quarters (9 months). Actual amounts may vary.

70-75% of LLU Nursing students receive financial aid.

Estimated Living Expenses

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Notes

- Amounts are what a student can apply to borrow for the number of months shown in each academic year based on living off campus with a roommate and not with a relative.
- International students need to calculate 12 months of living expenses based on the numbers listed here.
- In general, to qualify for financial aid a student must be enrolled at least half time taking degree requirements. Half time is 6 units in a quarter for undergraduate programs and 4 units in a quarter for graduate programs.