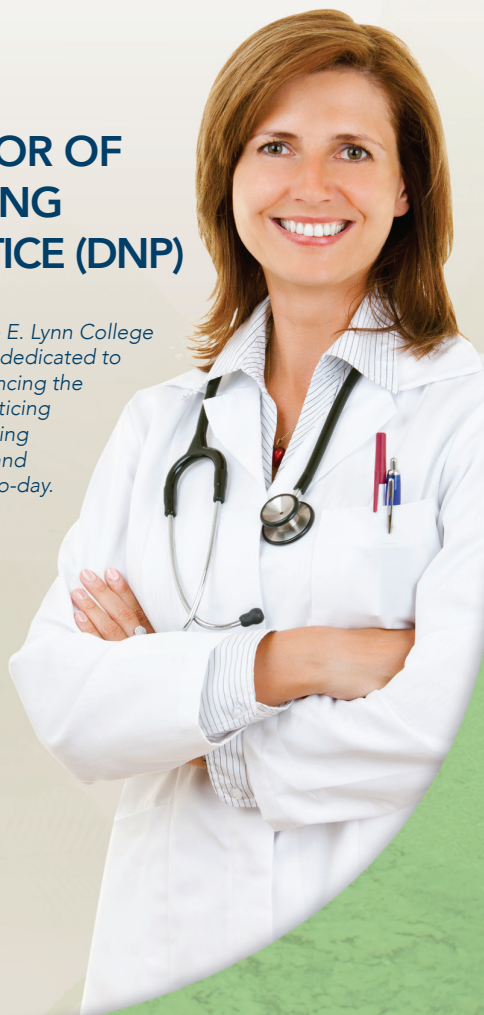




CHRISTINE E. LYNN
COLLEGE OF NURSING
Florida Atlantic University

DOCTOR OF
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PRACTICE (DNP)

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DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE (DNP) PROGRAM

Program Background

The Doctor of Nursing Practice program focuses on practice leadership. The emphasis of the program is the delivery of advanced practice nursing (APN) to culturally diverse populations, especially the burgeoning group of persons over 65 years old. Graduate education in nursing occurs within the context of societal demands and needs as well as the inter-professional work environment. The Institute of Medicine (IOM, 2003) and the National Research Council of the National Academies (2005) have called for nursing education that prepares individuals for practice with interdisciplinary, information systems, quality improvement and patient safety expertise.

The program is designed for Master's prepared nursing leaders to develop skills in shaping and evaluating practice models in their own practice settings. The program will accept a limited number of applicants. Meeting minimum admission requirements does not guarantee admission.

In order to meet the need of practicing professionals, the program is designed to be a part time program with classes offered weekends. All classes are Web-assisted.

The American Association of Colleges of Nursing recommends that students complete 1000 hours of clinical practicum hours. Clinical practice hours in the second year of study are designed to develop new practice skills and to test new models of care.

Admission Requirements

- Master's degree with a Major in Nursing from a university or college of nursing program accredited by the National League for Nursing or the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. Official copies of transcripts from all post-secondary institutions of education should be sent directly to the University's Graduate College. The University will not be able to accept applications without an official unopened transcript from each institution attended since high school.
- A minimum cumulative 3.5 GPA in the nursing master's program.
- Graduate Record Examination (GRE) or Miller Analogies Test (MAT) scores. The GRE or MAT is required by the State of Florida.
- Curriculum vitae; required format available on the College of Nursing website.
- Three letters of recommendation from academic and professional references, one from a master's program professor holding a doctorate (see guidelines on the College of Nursing website).
- A copy of one example of work that depicts a culminating scholarly product from the master's program. Examples: thesis, project, manuscript for evidenced-based research course, paper/manuscript for inquiry practicum.
- A typed statement of the applicant's goals for the doctoral degree (12-point font, double-spaced, no more than 500 words).
- Complete background check.
- National certification in Advanced Practice Nursing or Administration.
- Copy of current licensure in the State of Florida as a Registered Nurse. This must remain active throughout the program.
- Complete Verification of Post-Baccalaureate Clinical and Practice Hours form.
- Satisfactory oral interview by members of the Graduate Admissions Committee.
- Background check (completed upon admission).