

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

# Adult Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Concentration

*Goldfarb School of Nursing at Barnes-Jewish College*

MSN



Goldfarb School of Nursing at Barnes-Jewish College offers the Master of Science in Nursing Adult Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Concentration for BSN-prepared registered nurses interested in pursuing advanced nursing roles focusing on caring for acute, critically ill and injured patients.

The Adult Acute Care Nurse Practitioner program uniquely prepares students to assume the complex and evolving professional roles of independent practitioners in intensive care units and other acute care environments.

Clinical experiences are pre-arranged by faculty and emphasize gaining competence as a practitioner in the critical care environment, with additional focus on urgent care and diabetes management at Barnes-Jewish Hospital. Students also become proficient in invasive procedures and skills commonly utilized in acute and critical care, as well as in the business aspect of nurse practitioner practice.

They work side by side with an experienced group of acute care nurse practitioners, other advanced practice nurses, and Washington University critical care and emergency medicine physicians.

A post-master's adult acute care nurse practitioner certificate is also available for students with previous nursing master's degrees.

Graduates of the Adult Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Concentration will be eligible to take the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) and the American Association of Critical Care Nurses (AACN) certification exam to become certified in the field.



## About Goldfarb School of Nursing at Barnes-Jewish College

Goldfarb School of Nursing at Barnes-Jewish College is located on the campus of Washington University Medical Center in St. Louis. The College is housed in a nationally recognized educational facility with state-of-the-art classrooms, lecture halls and a Clinical Simulation Institute with six patient simulation labs and two exam rooms providing high-tech, advanced nursing care experiences.

Barnes-Jewish College is affiliated with Barnes-Jewish Hospital, which is consistently ranked in the *U.S. News & World Report* Honor Roll and is the adult teaching hospital of Washington University School of Medicine, one of the top five medical schools in the country. Barnes-Jewish is the first adult hospital in Missouri to receive Magnet recognition for its nurses and was recertified in 2008. Magnet is the highest award given by the American Nurses Credentialing Center for nursing excellence.

Goldfarb School of Nursing at Barnes-Jewish College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) and is approved by the Missouri State Board of Nursing.

## Program Length

BSN-prepared registered nurses complete the program in 27 months.  
Post-master's students complete the program in 12 months.

## Admissions Requirements

- Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- Minimum of 3.0 cumulative GPA in all undergraduate and graduate course work
- 2 years recent experience as an RN in an ICU setting
- Current Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) provider status

*All required information must be received before an application file can be reviewed for admission.*

Sample Course Sequence	
<b>Core Courses</b>	
Advanced Nursing Theory	3
Ethics of Professional Practice	3
Health Care Policy	3
Research Methods	3
Statistics	3
<b>Nurse Practitioner Core Courses</b>	
Advanced Pathophysiology	3
Advanced Health Assessment	3
Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics	3
<b>Concentration Specific Courses</b>	
Invasive Procedures and Skills for the ACNP	3
Acute Care I	3
Acute Care I Clinical*	3
Acute Care II	3
Acute Care II Clinical*	3
Management of Advanced Nursing Practice	3
Acute Care III Clinical**	5
Research and Theory Integration	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>50</b>

\*Clinical Contact Hours 168

\*\*Clinical Contact Hours 280

Note: Courses and sequencing are subject to change

## Applying for Admission

### Please submit the following:

- Application along with non-refundable \$50 application fee (make checks payable to Barnes-Jewish College)
- Official transcripts from all institutions attended
- Two letters of reference
- Personal statement that addresses desired area of specialization and personal attributes that will contribute to successful accomplishment of the program
- Curriculum vitae (CV) or resume
- Proof of current RN licensure in Missouri
- TOEFL required for applicant whose bachelor's degrees were earned in colleges or universities in which English is not the primary language

### Please send all application materials to:

**Goldfarb School of Nursing  
at Barnes-Jewish College  
Admissions Office**  
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Mailstop 90-36-697  
St. Louis, MO 63110

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**1-800-832-9009** or **314-454-7057**  
or visit us at [barnesjewishcollege.edu](http://barnesjewishcollege.edu).

