Post-Master of Science in Nursing

Goldfarb School of Nursing at Barnes-Jewish College offers the Doctor of Nursing Practice degree for MSN-prepared registered nurses interested in pursuing advanced leadership roles in nursing practice. The goal of the DNP Program is to prepare graduates who provide quality health care to patients, families, and communities by assuming a leadership role in the healthcare system and are able to propose, implement and evaluate evidence based changes.

The program requires 30 credit hours of DNP coursework. All courses are offered online. Students are required to complete a minimum of 1,000 clinical contact hours. This may include clinical hours taken during the student’s Master’s program not to exceed 500 hours. Clinical practice hours are individualized to assist the DNP student in meeting doctoral competencies. Hours may be completed at the student’s place of employment as long as the experiences differ from their work assignments and they do not receive any monetary compensation.

The planning, implementation, and evaluation components of evidence-based clinical practice are the scientific underpinnings of clinical scholarship. Clinical significance is as important in guiding practice as statistical significance is in evaluating research. The DNP project is designed as an evidence-based experience and meets the criteria of the AACN Essentials of Doctoral Education for Advanced Nursing Practice.
ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS FOR POST-MSN APPLICATIONS

- MSN and APRN certification as either an NP, CNM, CNS, CRNA
- Completion of a master’s degree in nursing from an ACEN/CCNE accredited nursing program
- One transcript from each higher education institution attended
- A minimum 3.0 on a 4.0 cumulative GPA for graduate work is required
- An unencumbered Registered Nurse license
- An APRN licensure in your home state, if required
- APRN national board certification as a CNS, NP, CNM or CRNA in your area of specialty as appropriate. Applicants without national certification will be individually evaluated.
- Strong professional references from two (2) persons who can address academic skills including oral and written communication or clinical competence
- An essay, one to two pages, of an example of a frequent occurrence in clinical practice that the applicant would like to see improved
- Curriculum vitae or resume

Sample of Required Courses

| TERM 1 | Biostatistics for Advanced Practice | 3 |
| TERM 1 | Promoting Health Equity and Population Health in Advanced Practice | 3 |
| TERM 1 | Nursing Influence in Shaping Health Policy | 3 |
| TERM 2 | Epidemiology | 3 |
| TERM 2 | Leadership in Transforming Health Systems | 3 |
| TERM 3 | Healthcare Economics and Informatics | 3 |
| TERM 3 | Promoting Evidence Based Practice I | 3 |
| TERM 4 | Promoting Evidence Based Practice II | 3 |
| TERM 5 | Promoting Evidence Based Practice III | 3 |
| TERM 6 | DNP Project | 3 |
| TOTAL | 30 |

Note: Courses and sequencing are subject to change.

STEPS TO APPLYING FOR ADMISSION

- Apply online at BarnesJewishCollege.edu/ApplyNow
- Print out signature page and sign
- After applying online, please submit the following to the Admissions Office:
  - Signed signature page with a non-refundable $50 application fee (make checks payable to Barnes-Jewish College)
  - One transcript from each higher education institution attended
  - A copy of a current unencumbered Registered Nurse license
  - A copy of an APRN license if required in your home state
  - A copy of APRN national board certification as a CNS, NP, CNM or CRNA
  - Two references from persons who can address academic skills or clinical competence. Preferably one reference from a doctorally prepared nurse
  - One two-page essay
  - Curriculum vitae or resume

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

PLEASE SEND ALL APPLICATION MATERIALS TO:
Goldfarb School of Nursing at Barnes-Jewish College
Attn: Admissions Office
4483 Duncan Avenue
Mailstop 90-36-697
St. Louis, MO 63110

Official eTranscripts may be emailed to gson-admissions@bjc.org