CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Our students need high-quality, precepted clinical experiences on a quarterly basis as part of their education. Students in the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) spend four quarters in clinical placements, and one to three days per week each quarter, depending on the track and stage of their education.

Through clinical placements, our graduate students have an extraordinary opportunity to learn and work alongside skilled mentors-preceptors through clinical rotations. Clinical placements can take place in a variety of settings:

- Hospitals
- Community clinics
- Nonprofit settings
- Private practice
- School wellness centers

ABOUT DNP EDUCATION

The UW DNP prepares advanced practice nurse practitioners and graduate-level nurses in accordance with the American Association of Colleges of Nursing Essentials of Doctoral Education for Advanced Nursing Practice.

The UW School of Nursing is a leader with a longstanding commitment to advanced practice preparation. We are pioneers in DNP education and launched the DNP program in 2007. UW was among the first 50 schools in the country to move to the DNP.

DNP students learn to synthesize and expand their knowledge and skills about advanced practice, leadership, and practice inquiry.

The UW School of Nursing DNP program offers six tracks focused on advanced practice, leadership and practice inquiry. The graduate tracks are:

- Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioner (AGNP)
- Community Health Nursing (CHN)
- Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)
- Nurse-Midwifery (NM)
- Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (PNP)
- Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP)

WHO CAN PRECEPT?

- Family, Adult Gerontology, and Pediatric students: ARNP, MD, DO, or PA
- Midwifery students: ARNP, CM, or CNM
- Psychiatric Mental Health students: ARNP, MSW, or MD
- Community Health: please contact us!

BECOME A PRECEPTOR

To explore a clinical partnership, clinical placements, precepting and/or capstone projects, please contact:

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“Nurse practitioners care for people differently. We do a lot of teaching and talking.”

-Maddy Wiley, ARNP
Clinical preceptor
PRECEPTOR PRIVILEGES
As a clinical preceptor, you will receive:

- Opportunities to mentor and help others meet their potential as future nurse leaders
- Access to UW library resources, including the world class Health Science Library
- Opportunity to obtain affiliate faculty status
- Clinical placements are coordinated by a single point of contact
- Opportunities to interface with engaged, highly-skilled faculty
- Regular site visits by faculty
- 25 percent Continuing Nursing Education discount
- Discounts and free admission at various UW campus venues
- Eligibility to apply for membership at the Intramural Activities Center
- Annual rebate from the University of Washington Bookstore
- Special software discounts at the University Bookstore Tech Center

CAPSTONE PROJECTS
DNP degrees are distinguished by the completion of a capstone project. These projects emanate from clinical agencies, community settings or systems. They are systematic investigations of questions about practice and therapies that evaluate and translate all forms of evidence into practice. Each student collaborates with an agency to address a real-world clinical problem or health issue. Most often, a student will be engaged in only one phase or aspect of translating evidence into practice.

Examples of capstone projects include:

- Appraising evidence and making recommendations of adapting clinical guidelines to the unique population or characteristics of a specific clinic or community
- Disseminating the latest evidence by training staff/community members
- Completion of a needs assessment
- Implementing changes in practice/organizational workflow or policies
- Evaluating the impact of a change in practice or new protocol
- Program development or evaluation
- Policy development or evaluation

CONGRATULATIONS 2015 CLINICAL PRECEPTORS OF THE YEAR!

Nurse Midwifery
Fra Ne Ready and the Swedish Ballard Midwives

Family Nurse Practitioner
Karen Carlson

Adult-Gero Nurse Practitioner
Paul Foucault

Psych/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
Patricia (Tricia) Spach

Pediatric Nurse Practitioner
Keri Orozco

ABOUT THE UW SCHOOL OF NURSING
The University of Washington School of Nursing is a nationally ranked nursing school by U.S. News & World Report. The school is dedicated to addressing the health care needs and improving the health of communities in Washington, the United States and the world through education, research and service.