



Rivier

UNIVERSITY

MSN

Master of Science in
Nursing – Psychiatric
Mental Health
Nurse Practitioner

Become a leader in mental health care and treatment

Use your knowledge and skills to improve patients' quality of life.

Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioners' treatment enables patients to manage and more fully participate in life and society.

According to the National Institute of Mental Health, mental illnesses affect tens of millions of people annually. However, estimates are that 50% of those affected do not receive treatment. While several factors contribute to the lack of treatment, the shortage of clinicians and their inequitable distribution across the U.S. are major contributors.

Make a Difference

Rivier's Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) program qualifies you to assess, diagnose, and treat individuals' and groups' mental health needs. PMHNPs prescribe medication and administer psychotherapy as part of their patients' treatment plans. Most PMHNPs maintain their own medical practices, but some work under the supervision of a physician according to individual state guidelines. With proper treatment, fewer patients risk homelessness, incarceration, violent episodes, victimization, and suicide.

Choose Rivier

This MSN degree offers a combination of advanced theory and clinical education. Through coursework and hands-on clinical experiences, you'll gain the knowledge, skills, and confidence to practice with autonomy. Multiple term starts and courses offered in 7-week and 14-week terms allow you to start and finish your program quickly.



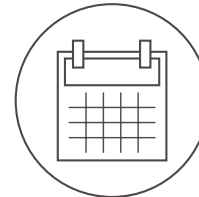
Course Format

Online and
three weekends



#1 Ranked

Private Nursing
School in NH



Estimated Program Length

3 - 5 years



Top 100

ranked nursing
school in the
nation



Multiple Entry Points

Based on
previous experience



Total Program Credits

43 - 49



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Program Start Dates

Six term starts per year allow you to begin your program in September, October, January, March, May, or July. Completed applications are reviewed as they are received throughout the year.

Course of Study

Required Courses

BIO 504 - Advanced Pathophysiology
NSG 502 - Psychopharmacology
NSG 516 - Advanced Health Assessment
NSG 517 - Advanced Role of the Nurse
NSG 518 - Advanced Pharmacology
NSG 520 - Advanced Psychiatric Nursing Theory I
NSG 521 - Advanced Psychiatric Nurse Practicum/Seminar I
NSG 522 - Advanced Psychiatric Nursing Theory II
NSG 523 - Advanced Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner Practicum/Seminar II
NSG 525 - Advanced Psychiatric Nurse Practicum/Seminar III
NSG 601 - Quality Healthcare Improvement
NSG 602 - Evidence-Based Practice in Nursing & Healthcare
NSG 606 - Research Capstone Advisement
NSG 620 - Biostatistics for the Health Sciences

Note: Nursing practicums may be completed in student's geographic location.

Licensure and Accreditation

Registered nurses (RN) who complete this advanced degree coursework and clinical education are qualified to sit for the national American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) exam to become a board-certified PMHNP.

Rivier University's ASN, BSN, MSN, Post-Master's Certificates, and DNP programs located in Nashua, NH, are accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), 3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400, Atlanta, GA 30326, (404) 975-5000.

The most recent accreditation decision made by the ACEN Board of Commissioners for the master's nursing program is Continuing Accreditation. View the public information disclosed by the ACEN regarding this program at rivier.edu/ACEN.

How to Apply

1. **Apply online** at rivier.edu/apply. There is no application fee.
2. **Review and complete the application process** at rivier.edu/gradadmissions.
3. **Have questions?** For personal support, contact us at (603) 897-8507 or email admissions@rivier.edu.

7 & 14

Week terms

Six terms per year

88

Years of educational excellence

24,000+

Strong alumni network

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