



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 are offered in 14-week terms.



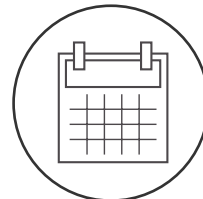
Course Format

Online and
three weekends
on campus



#1 Ranked

Nursing School
in NH



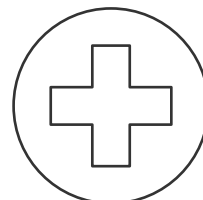
Estimated Program Length

dependent
upon entry path



Top 50

ranked private
Nursing School
in the nation



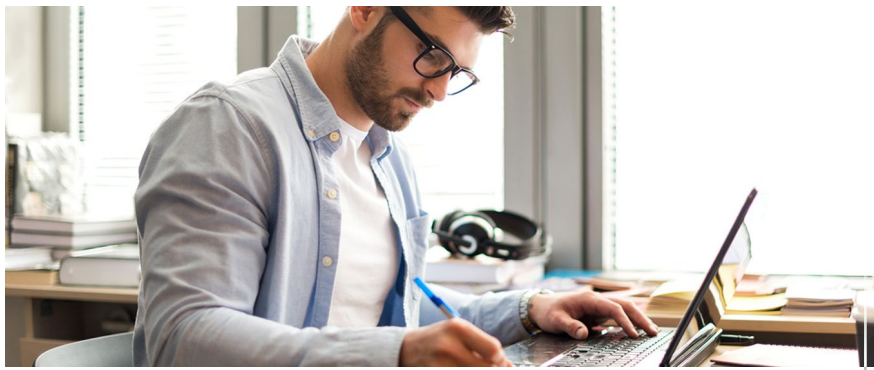
Multiple Entry Points

Based on
previous experience



Total Program Credits

40



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Program Start Dates

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

Course of Study

Prerequisite Course

Undergraduate Statistics *(or evidence of successful completion)*

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

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.

14

week terms

90+

years of
educational excellence

24,000+

strong alumni network

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.

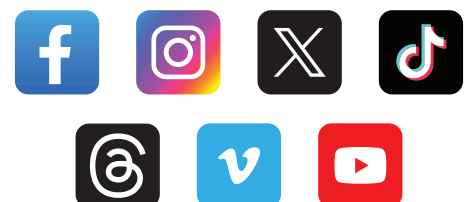
Quick Links

Ask a Question – admissions@rivier.edu

Schedule a Visit – events.rivier.edu

Talk to an Admissions Counselor – rivier.edu/team

Tuition & Fees – rivier.edu/tuition



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