



# Rivier UNIVERSITY

## MSN

Post-Master's Certificates –  
FNP, AG-ACNP, PMHNP,  
and NE

### Enhance your credentials and advance your career

Pursue specialty certifications to add  
to your skill set.

Post-master's certificate programs build your  
clinical skills and knowledge and provide the  
opportunity for you to take on new challenges  
and redefine your career path.

Rivier offers four post-master's nursing certificates—Family Nurse  
Practitioner (FNP), Adult Gerontology – Acute Care Nurse Practitioner  
(AG-ACNP), Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP),  
and Nursing Education (NE)—to RNs that have already earned an  
MSN degree. Completion of these certificates prepares graduates to sit  
for national board certification exams.

#### Pursue a New Professional Direction

Post-master's certificates allow you to alter your career path by  
building on it. The Family Nurse Practitioner Certificate prepares  
you to care for patients from infancy through adulthood, providing  
treatment for illnesses, as well as preventative and health education  
services. The Adult Gerontology - Acute Care Nurse Practitioner  
certificate allows you to treat adults 17 and older addressing acute  
care diagnosis and treatment. The Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse  
Practitioner Certificate qualifies graduates to assess, diagnose, and  
treat individuals' and groups' mental health needs. Completing  
the Nursing Education Certificate will enable you to share your  
knowledge and experience with the next generation of nurses.

#### Choose Rivier

On-campus and online classes are available for added flexibility to  
accommodate your busy schedule and learning preferences. Courses  
are offered in 14-week terms; 14-week terms are offered once per  
semester in the fall, spring, and summer.



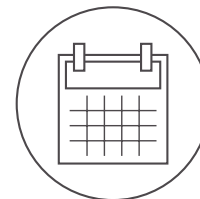
#### Course Formats

Online and  
on campus



#### Low Residency

Select  
on-campus  
dates



#### Estimated Program Length

1.5 years - FNP,  
PMHNP, NE  
2.5 years -  
AG-ACNP



#### Total Program Credits

Varies based  
on previous  
education

## Course of Study

### Family Nurse Practitioner Certificate

*Students are required, minimally, to complete these courses:*

- NSG 510 - Advanced Family Nursing Theory I
- NSG 511 - Family Nurse Practitioner Practicum I and Seminar
- NSG 512 - Advanced Family Nursing Theory II
- NSG 513 - Family Nurse Practitioner Practicum II and Seminar
- NSG 515 - Family Nurse Practitioner Practicum III and Seminar

### Adult Gerontology - ACNP Certificate

*Students are required, minimally, to complete these courses:*

- NSG 630 - Acute Care Theory I
- NSG 631 - Acute Care Theory II
- NSG 635 - Acute Care Skills Lab I
- NSG 636 - NSG Acute Care Skills Lab II
- NSG 638P - Acute Care Practicum I
- NSG 639P - Acute Care Practicum II
- NSG 640P - Acute Care Practicum III
- NSG 638S - Acute Care Seminar I
- NSG 639S - Acute Care Seminar II
- NSG 640S - Acute Care Seminar III

### Psychiatric/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Certificate

*Students are required, minimally, to complete these courses:*

- NSG 502 - Psychopharmacology
- NSG 520 - Advanced Psychiatric Nursing Theory I
- NSG 522 - Advanced Psychiatric Nursing Theory II
- NSG 521 - Advanced Psychiatric Nurse Practicum/Seminar I
- NSG 523 - Advanced Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner Practicum/Seminar II
- NSG 525 - Advanced Psychiatric Nurse Practicum/Seminar III

### Nursing Education Certificate

*Students are required, minimally, to complete these courses:*

- NSG 550 - Curriculum Development in Nursing
- NSG 552 - Technology in Nursing Education
- NSG 553 - Introductory Nursing Education Practicum/Seminar
- NSG 555 - Advanced Nursing Education Practicum/Seminar
- NSG 616 - Assessment and Evaluation in Nursing Education

*Note: Individual programs of study will be determined as part of the application process based on each student's previous studies and clinical experience. Nursing practicums may be completed in student's geographic location.*

### Accreditation

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 post-master's certificates nursing programs is Continuing Accreditation. View the public information disclosed by the ACEN regarding this program at [rivier.edu/ACEN](http://rivier.edu/ACEN).

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### Program Start Dates

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

# 14

week terms

# 90+

years of  
educational excellence

# 24,000+

strong alumni network

### How to Apply

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

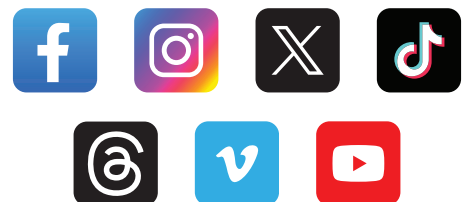
### Quick Links

**Ask a Question** – [admissions@rivier.edu](mailto:admissions@rivier.edu)

**Schedule a Visit** – [events.rivier.edu](http://events.rivier.edu)

**Talk to an Admissions Counselor** – [rivier.edu/team](http://rivier.edu/team)

**Tuition & Fees** – [rivier.edu/tuition](http://rivier.edu/tuition)



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