



Post-master's Certificate Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)

Advance your practice in family-focused primary care

Build on your master's-level nursing education and move into advanced practice with confidence. Goodwin University's post-master's Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) certificate is designed for experienced nurses who are ready to specialize in family-focused primary care — without completing a second master's degree. Through advanced clinical coursework and preparation, you'll expand your scope of practice, take on greater clinical responsibility, and prepare for APRN roles while continuing to work and grow professionally.

Make a meaningful impact through patient-centered care

As a Family Nurse Practitioner, you'll play a vital role in improving access to primary care and supporting long-term health outcomes. Specializing as an FNP allows you to take on advanced clinical responsibilities, including assessment, diagnosis, and long-term care management, while emphasizing prevention and wellness. In this role, you'll develop deeper patient relationships and make a lasting impact on the health of individuals, families, and the communities you serve.

Strengthen your clinical expertise

Goodwin's post-master's FNP certificate program supports experienced nurses as they transition into advanced, family-focused primary care roles. You'll build on your graduate nursing foundation through advanced coursework that sharpens clinical judgement, diagnostic reasoning, and decision-making skills essential to advanced practice. Throughout the program, you'll be supported by experienced Nursing faculty who understand the demands of advanced practice and are committed to your academic and professional success.



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Course requirements: 29 credits		
MSN 605	Current Concepts and Professional Roles in Advanced Practice Nursing	3
MSN 650	Advanced Reasoning and Differential Diagnosis for Advanced Nursing Practice	3
MSN 660	FNP I Advanced Practice Through the Lifespan-Primary Care of The Adult Client	7
MSN 670	FNP II Advanced Practice Through the Lifespan-Primary Care of The Complex Client	7
MSN 680	FNP III Advanced Practice Through the Lifespan-Primary Care of The Pediatric and Women's Health Client	7
MSN 690	Advanced Practice Capstone-Clinical Application on Population Health	2

Total credits: 29



Possible workplaces include:

- Acute or urgent care center
- Correctional facilities
- Hospice center
- Hospitals
- In-home patient care
- Long-term care facilities
- Private clinics

All FNP students need to complete all clinicals in the state of CT and maintain a CT license throughout the program.

Support designed for working nurses

Advancing your nursing career takes commitment — and the right support. Throughout the post-master's FNP certificate program, you'll be supported by experienced Nursing faculty who are invested in your success in advanced practice. In addition to faculty mentorship, students have access to academic resources and student services designed to help you manage coursework, stay on track, and confidently prepare for your next step as an FNP.

Goodwin University is a nonprofit institution of higher education and is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE).

The master's degree program in nursing (MSN, FNP, PMHNP) at Goodwin University is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), 655 K Street NW, Suite 750, Washington, DC 20001, 202-887-6791. CCNE last granted accreditation to the master's degree program in nursing at Goodwin University for 5 years, extending to June 30, 2030.

*Clinical requires two on-campus immersion experiences.