Thank you for your interest!

At Boise State, we seek highly motivated nurses, who are ready to continue their education and acquire the skills and critical thinking required of nurse practitioners. We are looking for:

- Individuals with the academic skills needed to meet the rigorous expectations and requirements of a professional graduate program.
- Students who embrace a collaborative, self-directed, and self-reflected educational approach.
- Exceptional nurses with a record of being a collaborative, ethical, and compassionate with a commitment to continuing education and participation in professional organizations.
- Strong communication and critical thinking skills.

About the Masters of Nursing, Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner

The Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner online program, leading to a Masters of Nursing (MN), emphasizes evidenced-based practice and prepares you to effectively meet the health care needs of the adult population. Students may apply to either the Primary Care or Acute Care specialization.

The AGNP curriculum consists of 50 credits in nine semesters (3 years, including summers) with 700 total clinical hours of which 574 hours will be in a clinical setting providing supervised direct patient care.

The curriculum consists of nine credits of MN core courses, 22 credits of Nurse Practitioner core courses, and 19 credits of either acute care or primary care specialization courses.

Summer Intensives

Students are required to attend three on-campus intensive summer course sessions (7-10 days each) to ensure acquisition of skills, and to complete simulation learning experiences and Objectively Structured Clinical Examinations (OSCE).

Costs

Effective for the 2016-17 academic year, the cost of the program is $750 per credit hour (50 credits) for a total of $37,500 in tuition. Added fees, books, and software will total approximately $3,500. Lodging and transportation to and from summer sessions are the responsibility of the student.

Precepted Clinical Placement

To complete the required community clinical hours, there is a full-time clinical placement coordinator available to help identify and secure a preceptor.

Application Requirements

All information, including curriculum, requirements and cost are subject to change.
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Applicants to the AGNP-Acute Care program are required to have one year direct patient care experience in an ICU/CCU, Emergency Room or similar critical care environment with the patient population of interest (Adult/Gerontology). Waiver of this requirement will be reviewed on an individual case basis.

Preference is given to Primary Care specialization applicants with a minimum of one year work experience as a registered nurse performing direct patient care related to the adult population.

Admission to the Graduate College is required, but admission to the Graduate College does not guarantee admission to the AGNP Program. Please direct any questions about the Graduate College application to gradcoll@boisestate.edu or 208-426-3903.

Applicants may apply to one AGNP program per application cycle program (AGNP-Acute Care or AGNP Primary Care).

To be considered for admission, the following criteria must be met.

- English proficiency (written & spoken) is mandatory.
- Possess a valid, unencumbered RN license issued by a U.S. eligible for the AGNP program. Eligible states include: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.
- Possess a baccalaureate degree in nursing from a CCNE or ACEN (formerly NLNAC) accredited nursing program.
- Undergraduate GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale), computed using credits from the last half of undergraduate nursing courses.
- If applicable, a 3.0 GPA in previous graduate program courses (on a 4.0 scale).
- Completion of an undergraduate statistics course with a grade of “C” or better. If this course was completed 5 or more years prior to admission, applicants are highly encouraged to update their knowledge of statistical course content prior to entry into the AGNP program.
- Completion of an undergraduate research course with a grade of “C” or better. If this course was completed 5 or more years prior to admission, applicants are highly encouraged to update their knowledge of statistical course content prior to entry into the AGNP program.
- All applicants must meet the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) functional abilities essential for nursing practice, including:
  i. Ability to see, hear and touch, smell and distinguish colors.
  ii. Oral and writing ability with accuracy, clarity and efficiency.
  iii. Manual dexterity, gross and fine movements.
  iv. Ability to learn, think critically, analyze, assess, solve problems, and reach judgments.
  v. Emotional stability and ability to accept responsibility and accountability.

PLEASE NOTE: The GRE is not required.
**Application Deadlines**
The AGNP program begins in January (spring semester). Applications are accepted through November 15 of each year. Applicants who apply and submit official transcripts by October 15 will be given priority consideration. Applications received after November 15 will be considered if space is available.

**Application Steps**

1. Complete the online Boise State Graduate College application at [http://graduatecollege.boisestate.edu/howtoapply/](http://graduatecollege.boisestate.edu/howtoapply/)

2. After you submit the application and pay the $65 Graduate College application fee ($95 USD for international applicants), click on the “Nursing” link in the left navigation menu. This will take you to the Application Requirements for Graduate Programs in Nursing screen where you will upload documents required for admission consideration.

3. Under NURSING LICENSE, upload a copy of your active, unencumbered RN license issued by a state or territory of the United States.

4. Under PERSONAL STATEMENT, upload a **Goal Statement**.

   Use the Goal Statement to introduce yourself, your educational goals, and your long term professional goals to the admission committee. This statement will be evaluated for the quality of both the content and writing style (i.e. grammar, punctuation, spelling, word use) and must:

   - Clearly explain the advanced practice nursing role you seek to fulfill following graduation
   - Provide rationale for specializing in either Acute Care or Primary Care.
   - Demonstrate your understanding of the role of the advanced practice nurse practitioner in Adult Gerontology.
   - Explain why you have chosen the AGNP program at Boise State University.
   - Be no more than 500 words.

5. Under RESUME OR CURRICULUM VITAE, upload a **CV or Resume**.

   Please include any applicable specialty certifications and information regarding your work experience as a registered nurse.

   If you are applying to the Acute Care program, include documentation of one year of direct patient care experience in an ICU/CCU, Emergency Room or similar critical care environment/department with the patient population of interest (Adult/Gerontology).


7. Skip the sections, NURSE PRACTITIONER LICENSE and NURSE PRACTITIONER CERTIFICATION. These sections do not apply to applicants to the master's degree program.

8. Click on the RECOMMENDATIONS link (located in the left navigation menu under Important Links) to submit the names and contact information for three professional references.

   After you submit this information, your references will be emailed by Boise State and asked to complete an evaluation form. References should be nursing faculty members, professional healthcare colleagues, or work supervisors who can evaluate your potential for success in a graduate program. Recommendations from family, friends, other students, or co-workers are **NOT** appropriate.
9. Submit the School of Nursing application processing fee ($20) via TouchNet.

10. Arrange for official transcripts to be sent to Boise State.

**Official Transcript Submission Information**

Official transcripts must be received before your application can be reviewed by the School of Nursing. Therefore, at your earliest convenience, please request official transcripts from each educational institution you have attended beyond high school. The registrar's office at these schools can send transcript(s) to Boise State by mail or electronically via an approved transcript service provider.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you have previously attended or received a degree from Boise State, you do not need to submit Boise State transcripts or any additional transcripts from other institutions attended after you received your degree.

**MAIL**

Institution may send official transcripts to:

Graduate Admission and Degree Services  
Room 307, Riverfront Hall  
Boise State University  
1910 University Drive  
Boise, ID  83725-1110

**ELECTRONIC TRANSCRIPTS**

Official transcripts may be submitted as a secure PDF through an approved transcript services provider to gradcoll@boisestate.edu. Approved Transcript Services include:

- Credentials eScript-Safe (formerly known as Script-Safe International)
- Credential Solutions TranscriptsNetwork and TranscriptsPlus
- National Student Clearinghouse
- Parchment Exchange (formerly known as Docufide and Avow Systems)

**Application Fees**

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Application Status
At any stage during the application process, you can log in to your Graduation College application account and check the status of your application and confirm that official transcripts have been received, that all supporting documents have been uploaded, and verify that your references have submitted an evaluation form.

If any documentation or information is missing, the review of your application and notification of an admission decision may be delayed.

To facilitate timely communication about your application and decision, please contact the School of Nursing immediately if your address, phone number, or email address change.

How to Monitor your Application
The AGNP program will communicate with you about your application status and admission decision. To facilitate timely communication, please update the School of Nursing immediately if your address, phone number, or email address changes.

Please remember, admission to Boise State's Graduate College is required, but admission to the Graduate College does not guarantee admission to the AGNP Program.

At any stage during the application process, you can also log in to your Graduation College application account and check the status of your application to confirm that official transcripts have been received, that all supporting documents have been uploaded, and verify that your references have submitted an evaluation form.

PLEASE NOTE: Missing documentation or information will delay the review of your application.

Review Process & Interviews
Your application will be reviewed by the Admissions Committee upon verification that:

- You have submitted your Boise State University Graduate College Application.
- You have uploaded the required supporting documents.
- You have paid the required Graduate College application fee ($65) and the School of Nursing application fee ($20).
- The graduate college has received official transcript(s) from all schools you have attended.

Applicants selected for an interview will be contacted by phone and email to schedule a phone interview.

Financial Aid

Questions? Contact Us!

Application Process
Nancy Loftus
Phone: 208-426-3819 | Email: nancyloftus@boisestate.edu

Curriculum or Program Questions
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