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 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.

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Application Requirements

- 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.

1. English proficiency (written & spoken) is mandatory.


3. Possess a baccalaureate degree in nursing from a CCNE or ACEN (formerly NLNAC) accredited nursing program.

4. Undergraduate GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale), computed using credits from the last half of undergraduate nursing courses.

5. If applicable, a 3.0 GPA in previous graduate program courses (on a 4.0 scale).

6. 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.

7. 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.

8. 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 Process Options

There are two ways to complete the application process. You can Direct Apply to Boise State or you can create an account with NursingCAS, a centralized application service that provides you with the ability to have application information sent to multiple schools.

PLEASE NOTE: There is an additional fee to use NursingCAS. The fee varies based on how many schools you are applying to.

NursingCAS Instructions

1. Complete the Boise State Graduate College Application and submit the $65 fee. Do not upload supporting documents since they will be submitted via NursingCAS.

2. Log in to (or create) a NursingCAS account and enter all required profile information.

   Detailed instructions on using NursingCAS are available online at http://help.unicas.com:8888/nursingcasHelpPages/ and via online instructions videos at https://www.youtube.com/user/nursingcas.

3. Arrange for official transcripts to be sent to NursingCAS. There is a Transcript Request Form located in the Secondary (High) School & Colleges Attended section of NursingCAS. Reminder: If using NursingCAS, you do NOT need to send transcripts to Boise State. NursingCAS will send them to Boise State.

4. In the NursingCAS Coursework section, carefully enter ALL of your college level coursework, including any coursework currently in progress. We suggest having a copy of your transcript(s) available when completing this section.

5. Create a Goal Statement in the NursingCAS Personal Statement section. Save it as “BSU ANGP Goal Statement.” Then, attach your saved document to Boise State in the NursingCAS Program Materials section.

   The Goal Statement should be written to introduce yourself and your educational and 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:

   a) Be no more than 500 words.
   b) Clearly explain the advanced practice nursing role you seek to fulfill following graduation
   c) Provide rationale for the area of specialization (Acute or Primary care) you have selected
   d) Demonstrate your understanding of the role of the advanced practice nurse for your selected specialization
   e) Explain why you have chosen the AGNP program at Boise State University.
6. Submit responses to the AGNP Written Interview Survey.

- Provide thoughtful responses to the questions.
- Save the document and name: BSU AGNP Written Interview Survey.
- Upload your saved document to Boise State in the NursingCAS Program Materials section.

You will be evaluated on the quality of both the content and writing style (i.e. grammar, punctuation, spelling, word use).

7. In the NursingCAS Professional Experience section, input your RN Licensure data, any applicable specialty certifications and information regarding your work experience as a registered nurse. 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. Applicants to the AGNP-Primary Care program are not required to have one year direct patient care experience to apply, but experience is desired and recommended.

Uploading a resume or CV is optional but encouraged.

8. Go to the NursingCAS Reference section and enter the name, title, occupation, and email address for three references from nursing faculty members, professional healthcare colleagues, or work supervisors who can evaluate your potential for success in a graduate program and as an advanced practice nurse (AGNP). Recommendations from family, friends, other students, or co-workers are NOT appropriate.

NursingCAS will generate an email to each reference that will include a link to the Evaluator Portal, a username and password.

9. Submit the NursingCAS fee. The NursingCAS Fee is $65 if Boise State is the first school you are applying to via NursingCAS. If you have already applied to other schools, the fee to have your application information sent to Boise State is $35.

10. Submit the School of Nursing application processing fee ($20) via TouchNet.

Application Fees

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How to Monitor your Application Status
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.

Once you have submitted your AGNP Application via NursingCAS and submitted the NursingCAS payment, you will be able to use the Quick Status Menu in NursingCAS to verify receipt of your Transcript(s), Reference(s), or NursingCAS Payment.

Messages from NursingCAS will be posted in the My Messages section and sent to the email used when you created your NursingCAS account.

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 in NursingCAS.
- You have paid the required NursingCAS fee, the Graduate College application fee ($65) and the School of Nursing application fee ($20).
- Boise State has received official transcript(s) from NursingCAS of all institutions 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!

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Please direct NursingCAS questions to:

| Email: nursingcasinfo@nursingcas.org |
| Phone: 617-612-2880                 |

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