MSN – Family Nurse Practitioner
An Innovative, Online Master of Science in Nursing Program for Registered Nurses

PROGRAM OVERVIEW
Nursing@Simmons is an innovative, online Master of Science in Nursing – Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) program that focuses on preparing Registered Nurses (RNs) to meet the needs of the national health care system. Designed for RNs who have earned a bachelor’s degree, the program helps students develop the skills, comprehension, and clinical expertise they need to assume a greater level of responsibility in their role as primary health care providers.

FNPs provide a broad spectrum of care to individuals across the life span. They assess patients, order and interpret diagnostic tests, make diagnoses, and initiate and manage treatment plans, including prescribing medications.

THE BEST OF ON-CAMPUS AVAILABLE ONLINE
• An academically rigorous, interdisciplinary curriculum
• The same Master of Science in Nursing degree as earned by on-campus students
• Expert faculty members who are active clinical practitioners

INTERACTIVE VIRTUAL CAMPUS
• Live, interactive online class sessions delivered face-to-face by Simmons professors
• Face-to-face meetings with faculty during online office hours
• An interactive online community that fosters collaboration through the use of familiar social networking tools

Nursing@Simmons’s approximate student-to-faculty ratio

Members in Simmons’s worldwide alumni network

Access to high-quality video coursework and recorded class sessions
SIMMONS SCHOOL OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES

Since 1902, Simmons School of Nursing and Health Sciences (SNHS) has been educating top-quality health care professionals. SNHS is an innovator in health care education with nationally recognized faculty members who practice clinically in a variety of settings. Our students share a passion for lifelong learning and for enabling others to lead healthy lives.

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

The Nursing@Simmons application requires applicants to have and submit the following:

- Bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited U.S. college or university
- Current U.S. Registered Nurse (RN) license
- Current résumé
- One- to two-page personal statement
- Transcript(s) of academic record
- Three letters of recommendation
- The Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) scores, if your native language is not English. The School of Nursing and Health Sciences TOEFL code is 3761.
- Successfully completed (with a grade of 83 or better) a three-credit course in statistics and a three-credit course in health assessment. If you do not meet this requirement, please contact an Admissions Counselor to discuss other options for fulfilling this requirement.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Students complete 48 course credits and a minimum of 672 clinical hours. Full-time students complete the program in five terms. Part-time students complete it in seven terms.

ACCREDITATION

Simmons College is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC). Nursing@Simmons is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), a national accrediting agency that ensures the quality of nursing programs.

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

- A dedicated Admissions Counselor to guide you through the application process
- A Student Services team that includes technical support and academic tutoring
- A placement team that will work with you to find a clinical opportunity near your own community
- A lifelong connection to the Simmons alumni network

START DATES

Nursing@Simmons has multiple cohorts starting throughout the year and applications are reviewed on a rolling basis. Our start dates are traditionally in January, March, May, September, and November.