

Preparing for a career as a **Family Nurse Practitioner**

Earning the right credential can
help you build lifelong success.



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Achieve the pinnacle of specialization and skill in nursing. Complete your Master of Science in Nursing-Family Nurse Practitioner (MSN-FNP) from Herzing University and be prepared to meet the national need for highly trained nurse practitioners.



Herzing's online FNP program is offered via an internet-based learning platform, allowing working nurses the convenience of managing coursework on their schedule.



We can offer you more than other schools – in part because we've been educating students for more than 50 years. This means we not only offer support students need, but also have hundreds of clinical relationships throughout the United States.

Get the most out of your online degree with these clear advantages:

- Earn your MSN-FNP in as little as **20 months**
- Accreditation through the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education*
- Hands-on experience during clinical practicum
- 675 hours of Precepted Clinical experience
- Herzing pledges to help you secure clinical placement
- Graduates are eligible to sit for national boards with AANP or ANCC
- **Engaging online environment** allows the opportunity to collaborate with nurses in your area, and all over the country.
- **Competitive pricing** - plus partner grants are available - see if you qualify

THERE IS NO END TO WHERE YOUR FNP CREDENTIAL CAN TAKE YOU!

If you are serious about expanding your nursing scope and career, Herzing University offers you an immersive, hands-on experience that balances online classes with rich clinical experience to help you further develop your nursing skills.

The demand for Family Nurse Practitioners has never been greater.

It ranks so highly, in part, because of the tremendous job satisfaction FNP trained nurses report as they gain more and more autonomy as primary healthcare providers. Family nurse practitioners provide care for patients of all ages and have great flexibility in choosing a specialty. Nurse Practitioners often select positions in family practice, geriatrics, pediatrics, Ob-Gyn, urgent care, internal medicine and primary care.

With the changes in healthcare reform, Family Nurse Practitioners serve a vital role; counseling patients for health prevention, promotion and disease management, as well as seeing, diagnosing and treating patients who would have historically waited weeks to see a physician. In recent years, the role of nurse practitioners has expanded. Along with the increase in duties performed, so too has the need for more qualified graduates risen. Help fill the need with a Master of Science in Nursing - Family Nurse Practitioner degree from Herzing University.

Nurse Practitioners practice in all kinds of different settings, such as urban, suburban & rural settings, in outpatient clinics, hospitals, emergency departments, urgent care, private physician or NP offices, and nursing home, home health agencies, hospice and palliative care, schools and colleges, and public health departments.



RECOGNIZED AND ACCREDITED

Herzing University has been ranked among the nation's best in U.S. News & World Report's 2026 Best Online Programs. Recognized for its online Bachelor's and Master's in Nursing programs, Herzing also earned top rankings for veterans. Accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, Herzing is a 2025-26 Silver Military Friendly® School and Military Friendly Spouse School®.



Program length and time to completion may vary based upon the number of approved transfer credits, course load and course availability. Program content may be subject to change. Please check with the registrar's office for any updates, course outlines and graduation requirements.

*The master's degree program in nursing at Herzing University Madison is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (<http://www.ccnaccreditation.org>). Herzing University is approved to offer programs in an online learning modality through association with the main campus in Madison, Wisconsin.

**<https://money.usnews.com/careers/best-jobs/nurse-practitioner>



HERZING UNIVERSITY Q&A

What Will I Learn?

This program will provide you with the academic knowledge, skills, and expertise to apply for certification as a family nurse practitioners in primary care. Graduates will be prepared to have integrated praxis philosophy throughout multiple courses. Courses consist of core NU courses, specialty courses, and clinical courses.

Core MSN Program Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, you should be able to:

1. Integrate scientific evidence from nursing and biopsychosocial disciplines, genetics, public health, quality improvement, and organizational sciences when designing and implementing outcome measures in diverse settings and through the lifespan.
2. Demonstrate leadership skills that emphasize ethical and critical decision-making, fiscal responsibility, inter-professional relationships that promote safe, quality care within a systems framework.
3. Apply methods, tools, performance measures, and evidence-based standards when evaluating quality indicators within an organizational system.
4. Synthesize theories, models and research findings inherent to nursing practice, education and management to guide an organization or healthcare system towards achieving successful outcomes.
5. Apply client/patient care technologies and informatics to coordinate and ensure safe quality care and promote effective communication among members of the inter-professional healthcare team.
6. Analyze ethical, legal and sociocultural factors to influence policy development and healthcare delivery systems that promote the health of individuals and populations.
7. Articulate a leadership role within inter-professional teams through effective communication, collaboration and consultation with other professionals to manage, coordinate care and provide safe, quality family-centered and population based care.
8. Incorporate organizational and culturally sensitive client and population centered concepts in the planning, delivery, management, and evaluation of direct and indirect evidence-based health promotion care and services to specified individuals, families, and populations.
9. Implement scholarly activities in selected individuals, population, and systems.

Family Nurse Practitioner Program Outcomes

Students are expected to meet all the core MSN program outcomes as well as the Family Nurse Practitioner program outcomes. Upon completion of your program, you should be able to:

1. Demonstrate critical thinking and holistic caring as an advanced practice nurse.
2. Analyze scientific literature for application to selected diagnoses and treatment plans.
3. Synthesize ethical principles into the management and evaluation of healthcare delivery concerns in culturally diverse care settings.

4. Articulate a personal philosophy and framework acknowledging professional and accrediting agency competencies relating to the role and scope of practice of the family nurse practitioner.
5. Implement the role of the family nurse practitioner in selected clinical settings.

How does the clinical experience work?

One of the most important elements of the online MSN-FNP program is the clinical practicum. At Herzing you'll have a clinical coordinator who will serve as a resource to students, guiding and assisting with securing appropriate clinical sites.



We'll encourage you to find your own preceptor and clinical sites, as there are many benefits to doing so. However, we provide extensive support should you find difficulty along the way. With Herzing, you are never on your own.

Because of our strong relationships with healthcare providers across the U.S. and our comprehensive Clinical Guidance Process, we are confident in our ability to help you find placement. So much so that if you are unable to find a clinical site on your own, we pledge to step in and help you secure clinical placement.*

What are the Training and Licensure Requirements?

Licensure requirements for FNPs vary from state to state. Most require a current RN license and a master's degree in nursing. Graduates from Herzing University's FNP program are eligible to sit for one of the FNP certification exams. Two main bodies offer FNP certification:

- [The American Nurse Credentialing Center](#)
- [The American Association of Nurse Practitioners](#)

After completing your master's degree, you will need to take certification exams and register with your state to become an FNP.

*Subject to terms and conditions outlined in the enrollment agreement.

FNP JOB OUTLOOK

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts job openings for nurse practitioners will grow much faster than average, with a 35% increase from 2024 to 2034 (up to 134,000 new positions).

Nurse practitioners' median annual salary was \$132,050 per year in 2024.



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NEW JOB OPENINGS

\$132,050
MEDIAN SALARY

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook 2024. BLS pay estimates calculate the median annual wage for various occupations. Per the BLS the median wage for an occupation is: "The wage at which half of the workers in the occupation earned more than that amount, and half earned less. Median wage data are from the BLS Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics survey." BLS median wage estimates do not represent entry-level wages and/or salaries. Multiple factors, including prior experience, age, geographic market in which you want to work, and degree level and field, will affect career outcomes, including starting salary and earnings as an experienced employee. Herzing neither represents that its graduates will earn the median salaries calculated by BLS for a particular job nor guarantees that graduation from its program will result in a job, promotion, salary increase or other career growth.

What are my options to pay for school?

You will want to speak with an Admissions Advisor right away. They have access to Financial Aid Advisors who can help you identify what kind of aid you may qualify for.

Quality education can be an important investment in your future. Here are some common options to help you get started.

Student Loans & Secured Loans: These can offer you a way to pay all or part of your tuition – and possibly even some of your expenses while you're in school.

Scholarships: Herzing University offers a wide range of scholarships based on need and merit – and you never know what you might qualify for until you apply. Ask your Admissions Representative about current opportunities to help you fund your education.

Clinical Partner Grants: Herzing University partners with clinical facilities all over the country. Many of these partners are offered a tuition grant for employees who attend Herzing. See if your employer participates!

VA/Military Benefits: There are several programs designed to help military students fund their education. For more information regarding state Veteran Affairs (VA) benefits, please contact your local VA office.

Other Sources: Interest-free student payment plans, federal work-study, employer reimbursement and outside scholarships are other possible funding options.

Can I take a tour of Herzing University even though this program is Online?

Absolutely. Herzing would welcome the opportunity to see you on campus. We have 11 campus locations, and Online students are welcome to use the facility for study time, access to Financial Aid Advisors, or just a chance to meet other students.

When can I start?

The FNP program has six start dates per year, ensuring that you will have a start date right around the corner, but enough time to make any adjustments needed to your personal schedule.

How do I apply?

Start your application today by visiting our online Enrollment Application center at: <https://www.herzing.edu/enrollment-application> or speak with an Admissions Advisor today.

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To learn more please call **855-285-3809**

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