

Professional Licensure Programs

A professional license is typically regulated by state laws and is required for graduates of these programs to practice, to use the professional designation in their title, and/or to gain employment in certain occupations.

The Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner (AGPCNP) track option in Franklin University's DNP program is designed to prepare students for a career as a licensed Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN).

National Certification

Graduates of Franklin University's DNP, Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner track program option are eligible to apply to sit for the Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner certification examinations offered by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) and American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP) Certification Board.

State Licensure

Requirements for APRN licensure vary by state and may involve more than successful degree completion. Graduates who apply for licensure may need to satisfy other requirements, such as passing an examination to obtain certification from a national agency, completing an application, paying a fee, and holding an active RN license in the state. States also have varying requirements and scope of practice restrictions for APRNs to prescribe medications that are separate from requirements to obtain an advanced practice nursing license.

Educational requirements for APRN licensure can include specifications for the applicant's type of academic degree, type of educational institution where the academic program was completed, and curriculum content within the academic program. Some states offer multiple pathways to APRN licensure, including accepting the results of a national certification exam, or recognizing a license earned in another state.

The list below pertains <u>only</u> to the educational requirements to obtain an initial state license as an advanced practice nurse. Alternative pathways to licensure and additional requirements, other than educational, are not considered in this list.

Franklin University makes every effort to ensure the information provided on educational requirements for licensure is accurate and up-to-date; however, these requirements are subject to change at any time. Students who will be seeking licensure as an advanced practice nurse are strongly encouraged to visit the associated agency website (linked in the lists below) in the state in which they intend to practice to review all requirements to obtain licensure. *Note: If links are not provided, a website for the nursing regulatory agency in that location is currently unavailable.*

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State/Territory	Franklin's DNP AGPCNP Program Meets State/Territory Curriculum Requirements for Licensure	State/Territory is Open for Enrollment in Franklin's DNP AGPCNP Program*
Alabama	Yes	No
Alabama Board of Nursing		
Alaska	Yes	No
Alaska Board of Nursing		
American Samoa	Yes	No
Arizona	Yes	No
Arizona State Board of Nursing		
Arkansas	Yes	No
Arkansas Board of Nursing		
California	Yes	No
California Board of Registered		
Nursing		
Colorado	Yes	Yes
Colorado Division of Professions		
and Occupations: State Board of		
Nursing		
Connecticut	Yes	Yes
Connecticut State Department		
of Public Health		
Delaware	Yes	No
Delaware Division of		
Professional Regulation: Board		
of Nursing		
District of Columbia	Yes	No
<u>District of Columbia Board of</u>		
Nursing		
Federated States of Micronesia	Unable to determine	No
Florida	Yes	Yes
Florida Board of Nursing		
Georgia	Yes	No
Georgia Board of Nursing		
Guam	Yes	No
Board of Nurse Examiners		
Hawaii	Yes	Yes
Board of Nursing		
Idaho	Yes	No
Idaho Board of Nursing		

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Illinois	Yes	Yes
Illinois Department of Financial		
and Professional Regulation:		
<u>Nurses</u>		
Indiana	Yes	Yes
Indiana State Board of Nursing		
Iowa	Yes	No
Iowa Board of Nursing		
Kansas	Yes	No
Kansas Board of Nursing		
Kentucky	Yes	Yes
Kentucky Board of Nursing		
Louisiana	Yes	No
Louisiana State Board of		
Nursing		
Maine	Yes	Yes
Maine State Board of Nursing		
Marshall Islands	Unable to determine	No
Maryland	Yes	No
Maryland Board of Nursing		
Massachusetts	Yes	No
Board of Registration in Nursing		
Michigan	Yes	Yes
Michigan Board of Nursing		
Minnesota	Yes	No
Minnesota Board of Nursing		
Mississippi	Yes	Yes
Mississippi Board of Nursing		
Missouri	Yes	Yes
Missouri Division of Professional		
Regulation: Board of Nursing		
Montana	Yes	Yes
Board of Nursing		
Nebraska	Yes	No
Nebraska Department of Health		
<u>& Human Services Nurse</u>		
Licensing		
Nevada	Yes	Yes
Nevada State Board of Nursing		

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New Hampshire	Yes	No
New Hampshire Board of		
Nursing		
New Jersey	Yes	Yes
New Jersey Board of Nursing		
New Mexico	Yes	Yes
New Mexico Board of Nursing		
New York	Yes	No
Office of the Professions		
North Carolina	Yes	No
North Carolina Board of Nursing		
North Dakota	Yes	No
North Dakota Board of Nursing		
Northern Mariana Islands	Yes	No
NMI Board of Nursing		
Ohio	Yes	Yes
Ohio Board of Nursing		
Oklahoma	Yes	No
Oklahoma Board of Nursing		
Oregon	Yes	No
Oregon State Board of Nursing		
Pennsylvania	Yes	Yes
State Board of Nursing		
Puerto Rico	Yes	No
Republic of Palau	Unable to determine	No
Republic of Palau Bureau of		
Nursing		
Rhode Island	Yes	Yes
Rhode Island Department of		
Health: Nursing		
South Carolina	Yes	No
South Carolina Board of Nursing		
South Dakota	Yes	No
South Dakota Board of Nursing		
Tennessee	Yes	No
Board of Nursing		
Texas	Yes	Yes
Texas Board of Nursing		

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U.S. Virgin Islands	Yes	No
Board of Nurse Licensure		
Utah	Yes	No
<u>Division of Professional</u>		
Licensing		
Vermont	Yes	Yes
Vermont Office of Professional		
Regulation: Nursing		
Virginia	Yes	Yes
Board of Nursing		
Washington	Yes	No
Washington State Department		
<u>of Health</u>		
West Virginia	Yes	Yes
West Virginia RN Board		
Wisconsin	Yes	Yes
Wisconsin Department of Safety		
and Professional Services: Board		
of Nursing		
Wyoming	Yes	No
Wyoming State Board of		
Nursing		

^{*}Franklin's nursing offerings may be closed for enrollment in some locations for reasons other than not meeting curriculum requirements for licensure. State board of nursing requirements related to program approval, clinical experience approval, and faculty in-state licensure are other factors that impact whether or not Franklin can offer a program in a given location.

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