

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)

The DNP program begins in the fall and spring semesters. Required application materials can be submitted as they are completed, but all materials must be received before admission consideration. Review of completed applicant files requires 3 to 4 weeks.

Complete applications are reviewed on a rolling basis

The following criterion must be met for admission consideration:

- A master's degree in nursing from a school accredited by a regional accrediting organization.
- A minimum graduate grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- RN Licensure from Iowa or a [Nurse Licensure Compact \(NLC\)](#) state
- Completion of a course in statistics
- Completion of 600 contact hours of clinical experience in the master's program. *Graduates from advanced practice programs other than Allen College must provide verification of clinical hours from the NP program director. (If an applicant has less than 600 contact hours, and is selected for admission, the additional hours to total 1000 will be included in the plan of study).*

Applicants whose first language is not English must prove [English proficiency](#) prior to admission consideration.

Meeting admission criteria does not guarantee admission into the program. Allen College uses a holistic admission review. The process balances academic achievement, work experience, extra-curricular involvement, leadership, community service, diversity, as well as other applicable life experiences. Top applicants are accepted each term.

According to Subrule 2.10(6) nursing courses with a clinical component may not be taken by a person a) who has been denied licensure by the board; b) whose license is currently suspended, surrendered or revoked in any United States jurisdiction; or c) whose license/registration is currently suspended, surrendered or revoked in another country due to disciplinary action. Students must notify the Office of Enrollment Management if they are in violation of this code.

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