



Graduate Board
Thursday, October 23, 2025

12:30-2:00 pm

AGENDA

- Welcome/introductions
- September 18, 2025 minutes to be reviewed at next Grad Board meeting
- October 7, 2025 Graduate Curriculum Committee report
- Announcements/updates
 - Vice President and Dean Varahrayan
 - Enrollment update
 - Tracking graduate assistantship offers
 - Graduate Student Workers' Union update
- Amanda Klemmer – update on graduate studies project
- New academic program proposals
 - Proposed PhD and DNP degrees in Nursing
 - Substantive change proposal in music
 - Proposed elimination of MAT degree program in Spanish
- New RCR requirements –Amanda Ashe
- Supporting neurodiverse graduate students –Esther Enright
- Use of Notebook LM to review graduate student theses
- Items arising

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT

The Curriculum Committee met on October 7, 2025 and is recommending the following courses to the Graduate Board for approval at its October 23rd meeting.

New Courses:

COS 563 Digital Image Processing and Image Analysis

CSD 698 Graduate Directed Study in Communication Sciences and Disorders

EHD 601 Doctoral Proseminar in Education Research Methods

Modifications:

ENG 516 Perspectives on Information Design

PSE 557 Advanced Plant Pathology

Courses to be Eliminated:

THE 667 Special Studies in Theatre

THE 669 Theatre Laboratory

Proposal for a New Graduate Degree

Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing

Submitting University:

- University of Maine

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Program Proposal Submission Date: X/2025

Proposed Program Launch Date: (month/year): 05/2026

Intent to Plan approved by VCAA date: *

Part One: Program Overview

- **Rationale for the program**
 - The development of a Ph.D. in Nursing program at the University of Maine is a critical and timely response to the national and state-level nursing and nurse faculty shortage, with far-reaching implications for healthcare, research, and education. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics projects an ongoing increase in demand for registered nurses, with over 200,000 new RNs needed annually through 2026, while the World Health Economic Forum reports a global shortage of more than 6 million nurses. Despite this demand, Maine currently lacks a Ph.D. program in nursing, limiting the state's capacity to educate faculty who meet accreditation standards and to produce nurse scientists needed for healthcare innovation. Nationally, the average age of doctoral-prepared faculty continues to rise, further underscoring the urgency to develop a new generation of nursing scholars. UMaine, as the state's flagship university and the only Ph.D.-granting institution in the University of Maine System, is uniquely positioned to lead this initiative through implementation of a post-MSN-to-Ph.D. pathway. This program will prepare nurse researchers, educators, and leaders to advance scientific discovery, translate research into practice, and improve patient outcomes, particularly in underserved rural communities. Aligned with UMaine's Strategic Vision and Values and in collaboration with UMS campuses and statewide partners, the program will strengthen Maine's healthcare infrastructure, expand access to terminal nursing education, and elevate UMaine's role as a

research-intensive institution committed to public service and interdisciplinary collaboration.

- **Program goals/objectives***

- The Ph.D. in Nursing Program at the University of Maine is designed to address the critical and growing need for doctorally-prepared nurse scientists, educators, and leaders at the state, regional, and national levels. Rooted in the mission of the University of Maine as the state's flagship public research institution and aligned with the institution's Strategic Vision and Values (SVV), the program is committed to advancing nursing science, improving population health, and preparing the next generation of academic and healthcare leaders. The following program goals and objectives provide the foundation for curriculum design, student learning outcomes, and program evaluation.

Program Goals and Aligned Objectives

Goal 1: Advance Nursing Science through Research

To prepare nurse scholars capable of conducting original, rigorous, and interdisciplinary research that contributes to the body of nursing knowledge and addresses complex health issues.

Supporting Objectives:

- Build Research Capacity and Productivity: Provide a research-intensive curriculum and mentoring that fosters the development of nurse scientists capable of securing funding, leading interdisciplinary teams, and contributing to peer-reviewed publications.
- Translate Research into Evidence-Based Practice: Train nurse scholars to apply research findings to clinical practice and healthcare systems, improving patient outcomes and informing health policy.
- Support Strategic Growth of UMaine's Health Research Portfolio: Align program development with University priorities to enhance external funding competitiveness, interdisciplinary grant activity, and translational science contributions.

Goal 2: Develop Future Nurse Educators and Leaders

To educate and mentor PhD-prepared nurses who will assume roles as faculty, administrators, and leaders in academic, research, and clinical environments.

Supporting Objectives:

- Address the Shortage of Qualified Nursing Faculty: Prepare graduates to meet national accreditation and state regulatory requirements for teaching

at baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral levels.

- Provide Flexible, Experiential Learning Opportunities: Offer innovative, learner-centered educational modalities including flexible scheduling, experiential research opportunities, and individualized mentoring to support diverse student career pathways.

Goal 3: Promote Health Equity and Improve Health Outcomes

To generate research that informs nursing practice and policy, with an emphasis on serving rural, marginalized, and underserved populations in Maine and beyond.

Supporting Objectives:

- Focus on Rural Health and Health Disparities: Emphasize research initiatives addressing social determinants of health, access to care, and disparities in rural and underserved communities.
- Foster Interdisciplinary and Community Collaboration: Leverage partnerships with the University of Maine System, local health agencies, and research institutions to enhance student learning, faculty collaboration, and community impact.

Goal 4: Strengthen the Nursing Workforce Pipeline in Maine

To increase the number of doctorally-prepared nurses through the implementation of a Post-MSN to PhD track that allows nurse scholars to advance to a terminal degree.

Supporting Objectives:

- Expand Access to Doctoral Nursing Education: Offer the Post-MSN to PhD pathway to prepare nurses for academic, research, and leadership roles while addressing geographic and professional access barriers.
- Develop Nurse Scholars for Leadership Roles: Ensure graduates are prepared to meet the evolving needs of the nursing workforce in academic, research, and clinical settings.

Part Two: Evidence of Need

- **National Data/State Data market analysis (Burning Glass or similar)***

A comprehensive review of national and state data reveals a significant and urgent need for expansion in doctoral-level nursing education, particularly within the State of Maine. The market demand for doctorally-prepared nurses, those holding either a Ph.D. or a DNP, continues to

outpace the supply, with both national and local indicators supporting the need for immediate action.

Nationally, enrollment in Ph.D. programs in nursing has declined steadily over the past decade. According to the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN, 2023), enrollment dropped by 3.1% (137 students) between 2022 and 2023 alone. More concerning is the 17.5% decline in enrollment since 2013, with numbers falling from 5,145 students in 2013 to only 4,244 in 2023. Less than 1% of nurses in the U.S. hold a doctorate in nursing, and in Maine (ME), only 15% of the nursing workforce has earned a Master of Science in Nursing degree. Nationally, there are 144 PhD programs, of which 9 are PhD/DNP programs. In 2023, there were 4,244 enrolled students. The AACN and the National Academy of Medicine, Science, and Engineering have identified this decline as a critical threat to the future of nursing, academic progression, and the nation's capacity to advance health-related research. The Future of Nursing 2020–2030 report explicitly called this enrollment stagnation “a major concern for the profession and for the nation,” citing its direct impact on faculty shortages, research productivity, and the ability to meet national health objectives.

Within this broader national context, the need for doctoral nursing education is even more pronounced in Maine. Currently, Maine does not offer a Ph.D. in Nursing, positioning the state as one of only three in New England—along with Vermont and New Hampshire—that lack this level of nursing education. This absence restricts the state’s ability to prepare nurse scientists, educators, and academic leaders, jeopardizing the accreditation and growth of baccalaureate and graduate-level programs. According to state-level accreditation data, only 20–30% of adjunct faculty in Maine’s Schools of Nursing meet the minimum requirement of a master’s degree in nursing (UMS Accreditation, 2020), and even fewer hold doctoral degrees. This has created a critical bottleneck in expanding nursing enrollments across the University of Maine System (UMS) and other nursing schools in the State of Maine.

Registered nurses are a critical part of Maine’s healthcare and economic infrastructure. The average salary for a nurse in Maine is approximately \$78,000 annually, reflecting both the demand for their services and their significant contribution to the state’s economy. However, the ability to produce more practicing RNs is directly tied to the availability of qualified nursing faculty. It is estimated that an increase of 20 doctorally prepared nursing faculty members could enable the admission of up to 200 additional pre-licensure nursing students each year, thereby alleviating the state’s nursing workforce shortage while simultaneously strengthening the healthcare system.

The proposed Ph.D. in Nursing Program at the University of Maine presents a strategic opportunity to reverse this trend. The program will create an accessible pathway for Maine nurses—many of whom already hold bachelor’s or master’s degrees—to pursue their doctoral education within the state. This not only reduces the need to relocate or pursue out-of-state programs but also increases the likelihood that these individuals will remain in Maine as faculty, researchers, and advanced practitioners. Retention of this highly educated nursing workforce supports multiple strategic objectives: expanding the research enterprise of UMaine toward

Carnegie R1 status, enhancing the recruitment and retention of full-time nursing faculty, and enabling RNs to remain employed in clinical roles while pursuing doctoral studies.

Moreover, with demand for nurses expected to grow nationally by 15% from 2016 to 2026 (U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2020), and more than 203,000 new nurses needed annually, the urgency to increase educational capacity at all levels has never been greater. Without an increase in doctorally-prepared nurse faculty, Maine will be unable to produce enough nurses to meet future workforce demands. This program directly addresses that limitation by building the capacity of the state's higher education system to meet accreditation standards, support growing enrollments, and prepare the next generation of nurse educators and scientists.

In sum, the current market analysis confirms a severe undersupply of doctoral-prepared nurses both nationally and within Maine. Establishing a Ph.D. in Nursing program at the University of Maine directly supports local workforce needs, fulfills the mission of the University to serve the public good, and aligns with national recommendations to bolster doctoral nursing education as a mechanism to protect the future of nursing and public health.

- **Differentiation from similar UMS programs or how the programs will complement each other***

The proposed *Ph.D. in Nursing Program* at the University of Maine (UMaine) fills a significant gap within the University of Maine System (UMS) by offering the **state's first and only research-focused doctoral nursing degree (Ph.D.)**. Currently, while multiple UMS institutions—including the University of Southern Maine (USM), University of Maine at Fort Kent (UMFK), and University of Maine at Augusta (UMA)—offer pre-licensure Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), Master of Science in Nursing (MSN), and practice-based Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) programs, **none offer a Ph.D. program focused on original nursing research, scientific discovery, and scholarly contribution to the discipline.**

This program will differentiate itself in the following ways:

- Focus on Research and Scholarship (vs. Clinical Practice):
Unlike the DNP, which is designed to prepare nurses for clinical leadership and advanced practice roles, the Ph.D. in Nursing will focus on developing nurse scientists and academic faculty who conduct original research, contribute to the scientific literature, and advance evidence-based practice through discovery. This distinction ensures that the program will not duplicate, but rather expand, the existing doctoral offerings within UMS.
- Preparation of Nursing Faculty for UMS and Statewide Programs:
A key differentiator of the UMaine Ph.D. program is its **explicit focus on preparing academic nursing faculty**, a role that neither the DNP nor the MSN sufficiently prepares nurses to fulfill in doctoral-level teaching. Graduates will help meet critical faculty shortages across all UMS campuses and beyond, ensuring compliance with

accreditation standards and enabling expanded enrollment in nursing programs across the state.

This program will complement itself in the following ways:

- Support for UMaine's R1 Research Trajectory:
The Ph.D. in Nursing program will directly contribute to the University of Maine's strategic goal of achieving Carnegie R1 classification. Through increased research productivity, external grant acquisition, and interdisciplinary scholarship, the program will strengthen UMaine's identity as a research-intensive institution, further distinguishing it from peer UMS campuses.
- Transdisciplinary and System-Wide Collaboration:
Rather than operating in isolation, the Ph.D. in Nursing program will **complement** existing UMS nursing programs through cross-campus course sharing, faculty mentorship, and collaborative research opportunities. UMaine will partner with USM, UMFK, and other UMS campuses to create joint appointments, teaching exchanges, and shared research initiatives. Nursing faculty across the system will serve as mentors and committee members, fostering an integrated academic community.
- Retention of Maine's Nursing Workforce:
By offering in-state doctoral training, the program will increase the likelihood that nurses who obtain terminal degrees remain in Maine. This enhances faculty retention and alleviates workforce shortages while supporting the mission of UMS to serve the educational and economic needs of the state.
- Flexibility and Innovation in Program Delivery:
The UMaine program will be designed with **flexible, experiential, and non-traditional modalities**, supporting working RNs who wish to remain in clinical practice while pursuing doctoral studies. This hybrid approach ensures access and scalability not yet widely available in current UMS nursing programs.

In summary, the proposed Ph.D. in Nursing program at UMaine will not duplicate existing offerings but rather fill a strategic and educational gap in the University of Maine System. It will differentiate itself through its emphasis on research and academia, complement UMS programs by preparing faculty to teach in them, and elevate the system's overall capacity to meet the state's healthcare, workforce, and research needs.

- **Similar/competing non-UMS programs in the region**

The proposed *Ph.D. in Nursing Program* at the University of Maine (UMaine) addresses a distinct regional gap in nursing education and stands apart from similar programs offered

outside the University of Maine System (UMS) due to its geographic accessibility, research mission alignment, and tailored response to the state's healthcare and workforce needs.

Currently, **no Ph.D. programs in Nursing exist within the state of Maine or Northern New England**, positioning UMaine to offer the **first and only** research-focused terminal nursing degree in the state. In New England, only a limited number of institutions offer Ph.D. in Nursing programs, and most are located in larger metropolitan areas in Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Rhode Island, including:

- **Boston College (MA)** – Offers a traditional Ph.D. in Nursing with emphasis on theory development and research.
- **Yale University (CT)** – Offers an elite, highly selective Ph.D. in Nursing Science program with a national research focus.
- **University of Massachusetts Medical School (MA)** – Offers a research-focused Ph.D. in Nursing, with opportunities for collaboration in a major academic medical center.
- **University of Connecticut (CT)** – Offers a Ph.D. in Nursing with strong NIH-funded faculty and a heavy emphasis on research.
- **University of Rhode Island (RI)** – Offers a BSN-to-Ph.D. pathway and is one of the closest geographically, but still out-of-state for Maine residents.

While these programs are well-established, they share several limitations when viewed from the perspective of Maine's nurses and institutions:

1. Geographic and Financial Inaccessibility:

For most nurses in Maine—particularly those residing in rural or northern areas—accessing out-of-state doctoral programs presents significant geographic, financial, and personal challenges. Relocation, high out-of-state tuition, and lost income from reduced work hours create substantial barriers to participation.

2. No Regional Ph.D. Programs in Northern New England:

Maine, Vermont, and New Hampshire currently offer no in-state Ph.D. in Nursing programs, leaving the entire northern tier of New England underserved. As a result, Maine loses highly qualified nursing professionals to out-of-state institutions, with no guarantee of their return post-graduation.

3. Limited Emphasis on Local Workforce Development:

Competing regional programs focus primarily on national or global health concerns. In contrast, the UMaine SON PhD in Nursing program is designed to align with state-specific needs, such as the nursing faculty shortage, rural health disparities, and

strengthening Maine's healthcare and education infrastructure.

4. Few Nursing Programs offer MSN to Ph.D. Tracks:

While some competing programs offer MSN-to-Ph.D. pathways, they remain limited in number and highly competitive. The proposed UMaine SON PhD in Nursing program is uniquely designed to **intentionally streamline access for Maine-based MSN-prepared nurses**, providing mentorship, flexibility, and opportunities to remain employed while enrolled.

5. Alignment with State and System-wide Goals:

The UMaine Ph.D. in Nursing program is strategically aligned with the University's goal to stay a Carnegie-classified Research I institution, and it complements system-wide efforts to address the critical shortage of doctoral nursing faculty needed to maintain program accreditation and expand capacity across the University of Maine System. Competing programs in the region do not share this systemic, coordinated mission.

6. Tailored Focus on Rural Health and Community-Based Research:

Unlike many regional programs embedded in urban academic centers, UMaine's UMaine SON PhD in Nursing program will emphasize **rural health, interdisciplinary collaboration, and community-based participatory research**, reflecting the unique demographic and healthcare needs of Maine's population.

While there are competing Ph.D. in Nursing programs in the New England region, **none offer the geographic accessibility, mission alignment, or state-specific focus that the proposed UMaine SON PhD in Nursing program provides**. Rather than duplicating regional offerings, the University of Maine will fill a vital gap in doctoral nursing education in northern New England, thereby retaining talent, supporting workforce development, and advancing healthcare equity through research. This program will ensure that Maine nurses no longer need to leave the state to access the highest level of nursing education, thereby elevating the state's capacity to educate, lead, and innovate within the healthcare sector.

Part Three: Financial Sustainability

- **Funding Source/ availability of resources**

The successful implementation of this proposed program will rely on a combination of existing institutional resources, newly secured funding streams, and strategic investments from internal and external stakeholders. This program is designed to leverage available infrastructure while identifying targeted areas for investment that support sustainability, excellence, and growth.

Existing Resources and Institutional Support

- Qualified Faculty and Interdisciplinary Partners: UMS already employs doctorally-prepared nursing faculty and has access to 24 Ph.D. prepared faculty across UMS campuses (UM, USM, UMFK, UMA). These faculty members will support

dissertation advising, research mentorship, and cross-campus teaching collaborations (See *Letters of Support from USM and UMFK*).

- Institutional Research Infrastructure: Doctoral students will benefit from existing university research centers and laboratories such as the UMaine Institute of Medicine, Center on Aging, St. Joseph's Hospital, Maine Health, Penobscot Community Health Care, and partnerships with Northern Light Health. These resources will facilitate high-quality dissertations research and experiential learning. (See *Letters of Support*).
- Graduate School and Library Resources: The UMaine Graduate School will provide administrative support, while Fogler Library will support student and faculty research through its extensive digital collections and interlibrary access.
- Distance Education Capabilities: The university's experience with online and hybrid program delivery through Brightspace and Zoom provides an infrastructure for flexible program delivery to reach working professionals across the state.

Funding Sources and Revenue Opportunities

- Internal Reallocation and Institutional Investment: The College of Earth, Life, and Health is committed to securing needed funds to be included in the FY28 E & G Nursing budget. The School of Nursing is committed to working with ELH to form a budget that aligns with the needs and expectations of the program to ensure future growth. UMaine SON faculty will continue to apply for external grants where indirect funding costs (IDC's) can be used to help supplement the budget.
- Federal and Competitive Grant Opportunities: Funding applications will target HRSA (Health Resources and Services Administration), for which the UMaine School of Nursing has already been awarded two previously (1.5 million and 1.7 million, respectively). HRSA provides grants, such as the Nurse Faculty Loan Repayment Program (NFLP), the Advanced Nursing Education Workforce (ANEW), which are currently in the third year of an award, and the Research Infrastructure in Minority Institutions (RIMI) grants. These programs support doctoral nursing education, faculty development, and the expansion of the rural health workforce, particularly in **rural and socioeconomically disadvantaged populations**.
- Private Philanthropy and Donor Engagement: The proposed program's alignment with UMaine's research mission and rural health priorities offers strong appeal to private donors and foundations. Development efforts will be directed towards named scholarships, endowed professorships, and research seed funding.
- Tuition Revenue: Tuition generated from new Ph.D. students will support basic operational costs. Projected enrollments of 6-8 students annually, scaling to 10 within five years.

- Partnerships with Healthcare Organizations: Clinical and community partners such as Northern Light Health, Penobscot Community Health Center, and other rural health systems have expressed support for the program and may offer joint appointments, research sponsorships, and tuition assistance for employee scholars.

Expected new budgetary needs

To ensure program quality and sustainability, the following budgetary investments are anticipated):

- Faculty expansion:
 - Continue to cover salaries for (1) tenure-track Ph.D.-prepared nurse scientist (at the rank of Assistant Professor) with an active research portfolio and (1) Lecturer, MSN prepared.
 - Recruit affiliated and adjunct faculty for specialized courses or research advising.
- Graduate assistantships and student support:
 - Funding to continue graduate teaching and research assistantships for (2) graduate students, which will include, but not limited to: stipends, tuition reimbursement, and health insurance.
 - Seed funding for student research and travel to national conferences
- Administrative support and program coordination:
 - Continue to support 38% of the School of Nursing Program Manager's salary
 - Hire a graduate academic advisor to oversee admissions, student services, and compliance reporting.
- Marketing and recruitment:
 - Continue outreach and marketing campaigns targeting BSN- and MSN-prepared nurses across Maine and New England to ensure enrollment targets are met.
- Technology and Equipment:
 - Investment in data analysis software not already offered by UMS (e.g. RedCap) for research support for doctoral students and faculty.
- Accreditation and External Review:
 - Budget allocation for external reviewers, curriculum consultants, and periodic program evaluations.

- **Pro Forma*** (The Pro forma should include a five-year student enrollment and revenue projection. For assistance with the Pro Forma, contact the VCAA's office.)

Enrollment Table for PhD Program					
Funding Source	Enrollment Year	Total Students	Tuition Rate Per Credit Hour	Fees	Expected Revenue
<i>Grant funded</i>	Year 1 - 2026	6	\$573.00	\$100.00	\$61,984.00
<i>Grant Funded</i>	Year 2 - 2027	10	\$596.00	\$100.00	\$107,380.00
<i>Base Budget</i>	Year 3 - 2028	10	\$620.00	\$100.00	\$111,700.00
<i>Base Budget</i>	Year 4 - 2029	10	\$644.00	\$100.00	\$116,020.00

- calculation assumes 18 credits per academic year
- tuition rate assumes 4% increase each AY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The PhD in Nursing Program at the University of Maine predicts enrollment of approximately 6 new FTE students per year with an estimated \$166,976 in predicted tuition and fee revenue by the end of year 3. Expenses listed for years 1 & 2 will be covered by the \$3M Congressionally delegated PhD earmark (GL project # 5410573). A portion of expenses associated with year 3 may also be covered by a no-cost extension request. Multiple retirements and/or vacancies within the School of Nursing's E&G base budget will occur between Yrs 1 & 2 which will offset the base expenses associated with the positions included in this analysis, therefore, the ongoing base expenses to the unit will be cost neutral. Additionally, the lead PI will have 100% grant-release time to E&G through the PhD earmark in years 1 & 2 (partially offset by needs for backfill).

PROJECTED FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) ENROLLMENT

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Cohort A	6	5	4
Cohort B	-	6	5
Cohort C	-	-	6
TOTAL FTE ENROLLMENT	6	11	15

PROJECTED GROSS REVENUE

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Projected Tuition	\$61,884	\$114,485	\$159,197
Projected Fees	\$3,024	\$5,594	\$7,779

Projected Differential Tuition	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL REVENUE	\$64,908	\$120,080	\$166,976

Note: Simplified to include total new and returning student revenue estimate at the in-state rate only.

PROJECTED NEW EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH PROGRAM ADDITION

	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3
New Faculty personnel expenses (salary + benefits)	\$96,398	\$100,254	\$143,579
Adjunct Faculty personnel expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0
Course Development Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0
Travel Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0
Staff personnel expenses (salary + benefits)	\$74,827	\$105,102	\$123,493
Other non-personnel expenses (marketing, operations, etc.)	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$171,225	\$205,356	\$267,072

PROJECTED NET REVENUE

	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3
Projected Revenue minus Projected Expenses	-\$106,317	-\$85,276	-\$100,096
Portion covered by the Grant	-\$171,225	-\$205,356	

Portion covered by expected variances in E&G Base			
			\$101,952
True Net Revenue (E & G)	\$64,908	\$120,080	\$1,856

Part Four: Program Content

- Catalog Description

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Nursing

The Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Nursing at the University of Maine prepares nurse scientists, scholars, and educators to advance the science of nursing and improve health outcomes through rigorous research, interdisciplinary collaboration, and academic leadership. As the flagship institution of the University of Maine System, UMaine offers the state's first Ph.D. in Nursing program, designed to meet critical national and state needs in nurse faculty development, research infrastructure, and rural health equity.

This research-focused doctoral program is grounded in inquiry that addresses complex health issues, with an emphasis on rural populations, health disparities, and community-engaged scholarship. Students engage in mentored research experiences and develop expertise in qualitative, quantitative, and mixed-methods approaches. Graduates will be well-positioned to pursue careers as nurse scientists, academic faculty, health policy leaders, and healthcare innovators.

Program pathway(s) include:

- **Post-MSN to Ph.D.:** For experienced nurses with a master's degree seeking to advance research and academic scholarship.

The program will be delivered in a flexible, hybrid format to accommodate working professionals and foster access across Maine and beyond. Students benefit from UMaine's strong research infrastructure, including the Institute of Medicine, Fogler Library, and collaborations with leading healthcare and research organizations.

Graduates of the Ph.D. in Nursing program will be prepared to:

- Conduct original research that informs nursing science and practice

- Lead interdisciplinary research teams to address complex health challenges.
- Contribute to the preparation of the next generation of nurses and nurse faculty.
- Influence healthcare policy and improve outcomes across populations.

This program supports the University's mission as a land- and sea-grant R1 institution. It addresses the urgent call for more doctorally prepared nurses to strengthen the academic nursing workforce and healthcare system.

- **Program Requirements***

Ph.D. in Nursing – Program Requirements

University of Maine – School of Nursing

The Ph.D. in Nursing program at the University of Maine is a research-focused doctoral program designed to prepare nurse scholars, researchers, and academic leaders who will advance nursing science, influence health policy, and improve care outcomes, especially in rural and underserved populations. This program offers one pathway of entry: the Post-MSN pathway. Students engage in rigorous coursework, mentored research, and dissertation work, with flexibility in hybrid course delivery to meet the needs of working professionals.

Credit Requirements

- Post-MSN to Ph.D. Pathway: Minimum of 54 credit hours, depending on prior graduate coursework.

Core Curriculum

All Ph.D. in Nursing students will complete the following core components:

- I. Theoretical Foundations (9 credits)
 - Philosophy of Science in Nursing (3 credit)
 - Advanced Nursing Theory (3 credit)
 - Conceptual Models and Frameworks in Nursing Science (3 credit)
- II. Research Methodology (18 credits)
 - Quantitative Research Design and Analysis (3 credits)
 - Qualitative and Mixed Methods Research (3 credit)
 - Applied Biostatistics (3 credits)
 - Measurement in Health and Behavioral Sciences (3 credits)
 - Advanced Statistics (3 credits)

- Grant Writing and Scholarly Dissemination (3 credits)

III. Cognates/Electives: Health Equity, Policy, and Systems Leadership in Rural Health (9 credits)

- Selected in consultation with the faculty advisor to support student research interests. If taken outside the UMaine system, students will fill out the *Domestic Away form*. Students may take either one elective and two cognates, or two electives and one cognate, for a total of at least nine credits.
 - Elective(s): (6 credits) & Cognate(s): (3 credits) = (9 credits)
 - Examples include but not limited to:
 - Rural Health and Health Disparities
 - Health Policy and Leadership
 - Ethics in Health Research and Academic Scholarship
 - INT 601: Responsible Conduct of Research (1 credit)
 - EHD 590: Special Topics (Advanced Quantitative Methods- learn R software) (3 credits)
 - Foundations in Biostatistics and Computational Biology (BMS625)

IV. Research Practicum (6 credits)

- Hands-on mentored research experience with faculty and/or partnership institutions and affiliations, including participation in funded projects, data collection, analysis, and dissemination.

V. Comprehensive Examination

- All students must pass a written and oral comprehensive exam after completion of core coursework and before dissertation candidacy.

VI. Dissertation Proposal Development - Seminar 1 & 2 (6 credits)

VII. Dissertation (6 credits minimum)

- Original, independent research under the supervision of a dissertation committee. Includes proposal development, IRB approval, data collection, analysis, and public defense.
 - Per UMaine guidelines for Doctoral Study:
 - Doctoral Students (Post-Candidacy): 1 credit per semester is considered full-time according to the University of Maine, while enrolled in a thesis or research course. A minimum of 6 credits of dissertation research is usually required, says the UMaine Graduate School.

Program Total Minimum # of Credits = 54

Program Progression and Milestones

- Completion of an individualized Plan of Study in the first semester
- Maintenance of a 3.0 GPA (equivalent to a B) or higher throughout the program
- Annual progress evaluations with faculty advisor and committee
- Advancement to candidacy upon successful comprehensive examination and proposal defense
- Completion and defense of a scholarly dissertation contributing to the discipline of nursing

Delivery Format

- Hybrid model combining in-person courses, seminars and online coursework
- Hyflex courses offering synchronous learning for out-of-state students
- Limited on-campus intensives for orientation, scholarly workshops, and dissertation milestones.
 - We plan to develop 3 “immersion weekends” - orientation, comprehensive exam/proposal defense, and dissertation defense. Students will stay at Hotel Ursa and have an opportunity to network, meet faculty and student cohorts, use UMaine facilities, and enjoy the Maine atmosphere while building connections and belonging as a UMaine student.
- Full-time and part-time progression options available (e.g. 3,4, and 5 year curriculum plans).

Time to Degree

- Full-time students: 3–4 years (Post-MSN)
- Part-time students: 5–7 years (dependent on dissertation progress)
All degree requirements must be completed within 8 years of matriculation.

Admissions Prerequisites

- Master's degree in Nursing from an accredited program
- RN licensure (active and unencumbered)
- 3 Letters of recommendation, personal statement, and research interests aligned with faculty expertise
- Resume or CV
- Interview with the Ph.D. in Nursing faculty

This structure ensures that graduates are well-equipped to enter competitive research, academic, and policy positions and contribute to addressing Maine's critical nursing workforce and health research needs. The program supports UMaine's strategic goal to expand graduate education and research in service of rural health equity and doctoral workforce development.

- **Course Descriptions***

- Please see appendix for Curriculum Table for students who would like to complete the program in either a 3 year, 4 year, or 5 year option. Below is a brief outline of courses that are in need of development versus what is offered by the UMS system.

Courses to be Developed

- Philosophy of Science in Nursing
- Advanced Nursing Theory
- Measurement in Health & Behavioral Sciences
- Research Practicum I and II
- Dissertation Proposal Development - Seminar 1 and II

Courses at UMFK (see MOU in Appendix)

- NUR 751 Biostatistics for Evidence-Based Practice

Required Courses at UMaine, Orono

- EDH 571 Qualitative Research: Theory, Design & Practice
- BMS 650: Grant Writing and Scholarly Dissemination
- BIO 593: Advanced Biometry (e.g. Advanced Statistics)

Potential Electives for Cognates

- Rural Health and Health Disparities
- Health Policy and Leadership
- Ethics in Health Research and Academic Scholarship
- INT 601: Responsible Conduct of Research (1 credit)
- EHD 590: Special Topics (Advanced Quantitative Methods- learn R software) (3 credits)
- Foundations in Biostatistics and Computational Biology (BMS625)

Research Practicum(s)

This mentored practicum provides PhD in Nursing students with supervised, hands-on experience in conducting doctoral-level research. Under the guidance of a faculty member holding a research doctorate and Graduate Faculty status, students engage in activities such as study design, data collection and analysis, and scholarly dissemination. Practica may involve interdisciplinary collaboration, with co-mentors from other fields as appropriate; however, the PhD-prepared faculty supervisor retains primary responsibility for ensuring that the practicum meets doctoral research standards and aligns with AACN and Graduate School requirements.

All PhD in Nursing research practica will be supervised by a faculty member holding a research doctorate (PhD, ScD, EdD with a research focus, or equivalent) and Graduate Faculty status. This supervisor will have an active program of research and experience mentoring graduate students. Interdisciplinary practica may include co-mentors from other disciplines; however, the PhD-prepared faculty supervisor retains primary responsibility for ensuring the practicum meets doctoral-level research standards and aligns with AACN and Graduate School expectations.

- **Course Sequence**

- See Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 Curricula in the Appendix

- Accommodations for diverse accessibility needs under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)*
 - This program will abide by the University Of Maine Student Accessibility Services statement:
 - If you have a disability for which you may be requesting an accommodation, please contact Student Accessibility Services, located at the Center for Accessibility and Volunteer Engagement at the UCU, 139 Rangeley Rd, um.sas@maine.edu, 207.581.2319, as early as possible in the term. Students may begin the accommodation process by submitting an accommodation request form online and uploading documentation at https://umaine-accommodate.symplicity.com/public_accommodation/.
Once students meet with SAS and eligibility has been determined, students submit an online request with SAS each semester to activate their approved accommodations. SAS creates an accessibility letter each semester which informs faculty of potential course access and approved reasonable accommodations; the letter is sent directly to the course instructor. Students who have already been approved for accommodations by SAS and have a current accommodation letter should meet with the instructor of the course privately as soon as possible.

Recruitment Strategies

We plan to actively collaborate with the University of Maine's Marketing and Communications team to ensure the successful launch and promotion of the new Ph.D. in Nursing program. This collaboration will begin with the development of a dedicated Ph.D. in Nursing webpage that aligns seamlessly with the existing School of Nursing website. The webpage will highlight the program's distinct strengths, emphasize its alignment with the University's mission, and clearly communicate admission requirements, program structure, and unique opportunities available to students.

In parallel, we will create a comprehensive Ph.D. in Nursing student handbook to serve as a central resource that outlines program policies, expectations, milestones, and available supports. This handbook will ensure transparency and consistency for current and prospective students, supporting their success throughout the doctoral journey.

To build awareness and attract highly qualified applicants, we will partner with the Marketing team to design targeted outreach strategies, beginning with the top 25 University of Maine MSN graduates. This campaign will showcase the program's scholarly opportunities and feature the endowed Babb-Marston Scholarship, which is designed to fully fund one doctoral student's entire program of study. Highlighting this prestigious scholarship will serve as a cornerstone of our recruitment efforts, positioning the Ph.D. in Nursing program as both accessible and competitive.

In addition, while grant funding exists, we have built in a 50% course buyout for current University of Maine System nursing lecturers across the four campuses—UMFK, USM, UMA, and UMaine Orono—allowing two faculty members from each campus to enroll in the program. This initiative directly supports faculty development, strengthens academic capacity across the system, and demonstrates our commitment to cultivating nurse scholars from within. We have already received formal letters of support for this initiative from these campuses (see attached).

Through these intentional collaborations and strategic initiatives, we will establish a strong foundation for the Ph.D. in Nursing program and cultivate a pipeline of exceptional nurse scholars committed to advancing nursing science, education, and leadership.

Part Five: Program Resources

- Faculty
 - The School of Nursing has 15 full-time faculty members and three part-time faculty members. Of these 18 faculty members, **12 hold a doctoral degree (8 Ph.D. and 4 DNP)**, one faculty member has both PhD and a DNP, and one emeritus faculty member.
 - The University of Maine School of Nursing demonstrates a strong commitment to advancing rural health, workforce wellness, and evidence-based clinical practice. Faculty research and academic interests span a range of areas including rural health disparities, nurse resilience and well-being, simulation-based education, maternal and child health, mental health nursing, public health, and advanced practice nursing. The department leads innovative initiatives, such as the WellNurse Project, which focuses on wellness programming and resilience training for nurses and students. Faculty members bring expertise in both clinical and academic domains, with specializations in family and pediatric care, nursing education, mindfulness, and leadership in healthcare systems. This diverse portfolio supports the School's mission to prepare nurse leaders who can address the evolving health needs of Maine's communities.
- Staff
 - This team includes **three professional associates** and **one classified staff member**, each playing a vital role in student support, simulation-based education, clinical coordination, and administrative management within SON.
- Equipment & Facilities at UMaine
 - *Simulation and Clinical Skills Labs* —> state-of-the-art equipment for clinical training and research. Located in Dunn Hall, this center offers high-fidelity adult, pediatric, and neonatal simulators, task trainers for clinical procedures, and advanced audio-visual technology for simulation debriefing.
 - For doctoral students involved in research related to clinical education, patient safety, and advanced practice nursing.

- *Research and Data Analysis Software* → UMaine provides licensed access to reference management platforms such as EndNote and Zotero, and data analysis software such as SPSS, SAS, R, NVivo, and Atlas.ti.
- *Laboratory and Health Science Equipment* → Opportunities for interdisciplinary collaborations with resources that include physiology labs, health informatics tools, allied health sciences equipment, and supportive environments within public health, biomedical sciences, and engineering.
- *Computing and Technology Resources* → Doctoral students will benefit from university-wide access to high-performance computing services, secure data storage solutions, dedicated campus computer labs, telehealth platforms, remote conferencing technology, flexible online learning tools, and hybrid/remote research and instruction opportunities.
- *Collaborative Learning and Study Spaces* throughout campus
- *Grant and Research Support Infrastructure* → access to development offices to provide assistance in grant writing, human subjects research applications, budget planning, and research compliance.
- *Library*
 - The Raymond H. Fogler Library will support the advanced research and scholarship needs of doctoral nursing students and faculty. **Fogler Library ensures comprehensive access to specialized health sciences databases** critical for doctoral-level inquiry, including CINAHL, PubMed, Cochrane Library, PsycINFO, Scopus, Web of Science, and clinical decision support tools like UpToDate and DynaMed.
 - Doctoral students will benefit from Fogler's **extensive collection of peer-reviewed journals, dissertations, and e-books** that span nursing science, health policy, advanced clinical practice, and interdisciplinary research fields.
 - The library **offers personalized research consultations** with expert librarians specializing in health sciences, who assist students in developing advanced literature review skills, systematic search strategies, and data management techniques critical for dissertation and grant writing.
 - Fogler Library **provides workshops and one-on-one training sessions** focused on scholarly communication, citation management software (e.g., EndNote, Zotero), and data visualization tools that enhance the doctoral research process.

- **Interlibrary loan services and access to national and international research repositories** expand the breadth of accessible scholarly materials, supporting the production of high-quality, impactful research.

Part Six: Accreditation/ Program Evaluation

- **Outline of the future program evaluation process***

The proposed *Ph.D. in Nursing Program* at the University of Maine (UMaine) will be developed and implemented in accordance with national accreditation standards and institutional policies to ensure academic quality, program integrity, and continuous improvement. The program will align with expectations set forth by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) for graduate-level nursing programs and adhere to regulatory standards outlined by the Maine State Board of Nursing, ensuring compliance with faculty qualifications, curriculum rigor, and institutional effectiveness.

Given that the Ph.D. in Nursing is a research-intensive degree rather than a practice-based program, CCNE accreditation will not be required for the degree itself, as CCNE does not accredit Ph.D. programs. However, all associated nursing programs under the University of Maine School of Nursing (including BSN and MSN programs) are currently CCNE-accredited, and this new doctoral program will be developed within the same rigorous academic framework. The program will also follow guidelines provided by the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) regarding the preparation of nurse scientists and research scholars, including expectations for research competencies, ethical inquiry, and interdisciplinary collaboration.

To ensure program effectiveness and sustainability, a comprehensive Program Evaluation Plan will be established prior to program launch. This plan will be designed to assess the extent to which the program achieves its stated goals and objectives, supports student success, and contributes to the broader mission of the University of Maine and the University of Maine System. Key components of the evaluation plan will include:

- **Curriculum Review and Learning Outcomes Assessment:**
Annual reviews of course content, student learning outcomes, and alignment with program goals will be conducted by the School of Nursing's Graduate Curriculum sub-committee.
- **Student Progress and Completion Metrics:**
Benchmarks will include student retention, progression, time-to-degree completion, and graduation rates. Data will be disaggregated to monitor trends and ensure equitable student success.
- **Dissertation Quality and Scholarly Output:**
Dissertation committee evaluations, publications, presentations, and research funding secured by students and alumni will be used to assess the program's contribution to nursing science and scholarship.

- Faculty Qualifications and Scholarly Productivity:
Faculty involved in the Ph.D. program will be evaluated for terminal degree qualifications, research activity, mentorship effectiveness, and engagement in interdisciplinary collaboration.
- Graduate Outcomes and Employment Placement:
Post-graduation surveys will track employment outcomes, including placements in academic, research, and leadership roles. Alumni will be surveyed at one-year and five-year intervals to assess the long-term impact of the program.
- Stakeholder Feedback:
Feedback from students, alumni, employers, clinical and academic partners, and advisory board members will be systematically collected and used to inform program improvements.
- External Review and Continuous Improvement:
The program will undergo periodic external review by a panel of doctoral nursing education experts from peer institutions. Findings will inform updates to the curriculum, faculty development, and student support services.

The Ph.D. in Nursing program will also be integrated into the University of Maine's broader academic assessment framework, ensuring alignment with institutional accreditation by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE). Additionally, the program will support the university's strategic research goals, including contributions toward the Carnegie R1 classification through increased research activity, faculty scholarship, and graduate student output.

In summary, the proposed Ph.D. in Nursing program will be grounded in best practices in doctoral education, aligned with national standards for nurse scientist preparation, and supported by a robust system of internal and external evaluation. This approach will ensure that the program meets the highest standards of academic excellence, fulfills its mission to advance nursing science, and responds effectively to the healthcare and workforce needs of the State of Maine.

Signatures

- **Submitted by:** (Developing faculty partners' signature and date)



10-1-2025

Kathryn N. Robinson, Ph.D., MHA/Ed., RN
Associate Director, Associate Professor
School of Nursing, UMaine

- **Approved by:** (Provost signature and date)

(President signature and date)

Appendix (non-required supplemental documents)

- Letters of Support

Community Organizations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Maine Health ● Penobscot Community Health Care ● St. Joseph's Hospital ● Lunder-Dineen Health Education Alliance of Maine
Academic Partners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● UMaine - Fort Kent ● University of Southern Maine ● University of Maine Augusta

- Faculty CVs
 - Kathryn Robinson, Ph.D., MHA/Ed., RN
- Additional curricular details
 - Tables for Year 3, 4, and 5 versions of Curriculum
- Other documentation or reports
 - Explanation of Core Courses to be offered
 - Babb-Marston Flyer for Scholarship Opportunity
 - Drafted Memorandum of Understanding - UMFK and UMaine SON
 - Job Posting Analytics - per Lightcast Data Set
 - RN_ME_PhD
 - RN_US_PhD

UMaine School of Nursing
3-Year Post-MSN to PhD in Nursing Curriculum Plan

Year 1: Foundational Core & Research Methods

Term	Catalog #	Delivery	Course	Credits
Fall	NURXXX	Hyflex	Philosophy of Science in Nursing	3
	XXX		Quantitative Research Design & Analysis	3
	NUR 751	Online Asynchronous	Biostatistics for Evidence-Based Practice (UMFK)	3
Total				9
Spring	NURXXX	Hyflex	Advanced Nursing Theory	3
	EHD 571	Hyflex optional	Qualitative Research: Theory, Design & Practice	3
	XXX		Measurement in Health & Behavioral Sciences	3
Total				9
Summer	NURXXX	Hyflex	Conceptual Models & Frameworks in Nursing Science	3
		Open	Cognate/Elective (e.g., Health Policy, Bioethics)	3
			Overall Total	24

Year 2: Advanced Methods & Proposal Development

Term	Catalog #	Delivery	Course	Credits
Fall	BIO 593	In-person	Advanced Statistics (e.g. Advanced Biometry- 4cr)	3
	BMS650	Hyflex	Grant Writing & Scholarly Dissemination	3
	NURXXX	Remote	Research Practicum I	3
Total				9
Spring	NURXXX	Hyflex	Dissertation Proposal Development – Seminar 1	3
	NURXXX	Remote	Research Practicum II	3
		Open	Cognate/Elective	3
Total				9
Summer				
		Open	Cognate/Elective	3
	NURXXX	Hyflex	Dissertation Proposal Development – Seminar 2	3
		<i>In-person</i>	<i>Comprehensive exam at the end of this semester</i>	0
Overall Total				24

Year 3: Dissertation Phase

Term	Catalog #	Delivery	Course	Credits
Fall	NURXXX	Remote	Dissertation Research	2
Spring	NURXXX	Remote	Dissertation Research	3
Summer	NURXXX	Remote / In-person for defense	Dissertation Completion and Defense	1
Total (Years 1-3)				54

UMaine School of Nursing
4-Year Post-MSN to PhD in Nursing Curriculum Plan (Fall & Spring Only)

Year 1: Foundational Core

Term	Catalog #	Delivery	Course	Credit s
Fall	NURXXX	Hyflex	Philosophy of Science in Nursing	3
	XXX		Quantitative Research Design & Analysis	3
	NUR 751	Online Asynchronous	Biostatistics for Evidence-Based Practice (UMFK)	3
			Total	9
Spring	NURXXX	Hyflex	Advanced Nursing Theory	3
	EHD 571	Hyflex option	Qualitative Research: Theory, Design & Practice	3
	XXX		Measurement in Health & Behavioral Sciences	3
			Overall Total	18

Year 2: Mid-Level Methods & Conceptual Development

Term	Catalog #	Delivery	Course	Credit s
Fall	NURXXX	Hyflex	Conceptual Models & Frameworks in Nursing Science	3
	BIO 593	In-person	Advanced Statistics (e.g. Advanced Biometry- 4cr)	3
		Open	Cognate/Elective	3
			Total	9
Spring		Remote	Research Practicum 1	3
	BMS650	Hyflex	Grant Writing & Scholarly Dissemination	3
		Open	Cognate/Elective	3
			Total	18

Year 3: Proposal Development & Research Practicum

Term	Catalog #	Delivery	Course	Credit s
Fall		Open	Cognate/Elective	3
	NURXXX	Hyflex	Dissertation Proposal Development - Seminar 1	3
			Total	6
Spring	NURXXX	Remote	Research Practicum II	3
	NURXXX	Hyflex	Dissertation Proposal Development - Seminar 2	3
		In-person	<i>Comprehensive Exam at the end of this semester</i>	0
			Overall Total	12

Year 4: Dissertation Phase

Term	Catalog #	Delivery	Course	Credit s
Fall	NURXXX	Remote	Dissertation Research	3
Spring	NURXXX	Remote	Dissertation Research	2
	NURXXX	Remote / In-person for defense	Dissertation Completion and Defense	1
Total (Years 1- 4)				54

UMaine School of Nursing
5-Year Part-Time Post-MSN to PhD in Nursing Curriculum Plan

Year 1: Scientific Foundations & Theoretical Development

Term	Catalog #	Delivery	Course	Credits
Fall	NURXXX	Hyflex	Philosophy of Science in Nursing	3
	XXX		Quantitative Research Design & Analysis	3
				Total 6
Spring	NUR 751	Online Asynchronous	Biostatistics for Evidence-Based Practice (UMFK)	3
	NURXXX	Hyflex	Advanced Nursing Theory	3
				Total 6
Summer		Open	Elective or Cognate (e.g., Health Policy)	3
				Overall Total 15

Year 2: Research Design, Measurement, and Methodological Rigor

Term	Catalog #	Delivery	Course	Credits
Fall	EHD 571	Hyflex optional	Qualitative Research: Theory, Design & Practice	3
	XXX		Measurement in Health & Behavioral Sciences	3
				Total 6
Spring	NURXXX	Hyflex	Conceptual Models & Frameworks in Nursing Science	3
		Open	Elective or Cognate	3
				Total 6
Summer		Open	Elective or Cognate	3
				Overall Total 15

Year 3: Advanced Methods, Scholarly Writing & Research Practicum

Term	Catalog #	Delivery	Course	Credits
Fall	BIO 593	In-person	Advanced Statistics (e.g. Advanced Biometry- 4cr)	3
	BMS650	Hyflex	Grant Writing & Scholarly Dissemination	3
				Total 6
Spring	NURXXX	Remote	Research Practicum I	3
	NURXXX	Hyflex	Dissertation Proposal Development – Seminar 1	3
				Total 6
Summer	NURXXX	Remote	Research Practicum II	3
				Overall Total 15

Year 4: Dissertation Proposal Development & Candidacy Preparation

Term	Catalog #	Delivery	Course	Credits
Fall	NURXXX	Hyflex	Dissertation Proposal Development – Seminar 2	3
	NURXXX	In-person	Comprehensive Exam at end of semester	0
Spring	NURXXX	Remote	Dissertation Research	3
Overall Total				6

Year 5: Dissertation Research, Completion, and Scholarly Dissemination

Term	Catalog #	Delivery	Course	Credits
Fall	NURXXX	Remote / in-person for defense	Dissertation Research, completion and defense	3
Total (Year 5)				3

Program Total: 54 credits



June 12, 2025

Faculty Senate Program Creation and Reorganization Review Committee (PCRRRC)
University of Maine
168 College Avenue,
Orono Maine 04469

Dear PCRRRC,

On behalf of the University of Southern Maine School of Nursing, I am writing to express our enthusiastic support for the development of a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) and Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing (PhD) programs at the University of Maine School of Nursing at our partner institution within the University of Maine System. We are excited about the opportunity to collaborate in a meaningful way to advance nursing education, scholarship, and practice across our shared mission.

As a sister campus, we are committed to working collaboratively to strengthen these new doctoral programs. Specifically, we are enthusiastic about the opportunity to:

- **Cross-list Graduate Courses:** We welcome the opportunity to cross-list relevant doctoral-level courses, allowing students from both campuses to benefit from diverse offerings and faculty expertise. This approach will not only enrich the curriculum but also foster an interdisciplinary and system-wide community of learners.
- **Share Faculty Expertise:** Our faculty with advanced practice and research expertise are available to contribute to curriculum development, instruction, dissertation committees, and DNP project advisement. We recognize that leveraging our shared faculty resources enhances both program quality and sustainability.
- **Utilize Shared Resources:** Our campus is prepared to support shared access to key academic and administrative resources, including online learning platforms, library holdings, research infrastructure, and student support services. These shared resources will maximize program efficiency and ensure a robust student experience.
- **Strengthen the Nursing Workforce:** We understand the critical need for highly educated nurse leaders, educators, and researchers in our state and beyond. We believe these programs will play a vital role in advancing workforce development, rural and underserved healthcare delivery, and evidence-based practice.

We look forward to continued collaboration as these programs take shape and are fully committed to supporting their successful implementation and long-term impact. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require additional documentation or partnership details.

Sincerely,

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Brenda Petersen, PhD, MSN, RN, APN-c, CPNP-PC
Associate Professor and Associate Dean

September 3, 2025

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Lunder-Dineen Health Education Alliance of Maine (Lunder-Dineen), I am writing to express our full support of the University of Maine's proposed Ph.D. in Nursing program and Doctorate in Nursing Practice (DNP) Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) within the School of Nursing. We strongly endorse this initiative, recognizing the urgent statewide and national need for more doctorally prepared nurse scientists, educators, and leaders to support workforce development, improve health outcomes, and drive innovation in healthcare.

Our organization is committed to identifying and addressing education needs of nursing professionals and view this program as a critical step toward strengthening Maine's workforce and healthcare infrastructure. We understand the importance of supporting rigorous nursing research that addresses health disparities, rural health access, and the growing complexity of patient care needs across our communities.

To that end, Lunder-Dineen is pleased to offer support, to the best of our ability, for Ph.D. and DNP nursing students enrolled in the University of Maine program by:

- **Providing introductions for students to colleagues across the extended Lunder-Dineen ecosystem in Maine, Massachusetts and beyond**
- **Collaborating with faculty and doctoral students to identify opportunities for capstone projects related to Lunder-Dineen educational programs by conducting research and/or helping to publish**

We believe this partnership will be mutually beneficial—enhancing the capacity of our clinical teams to integrate evidence-based practices and further supporting Maine's goal to expand its academic and research infrastructure through doctoral nursing education.

We look forward to working closely with the University of Maine School of Nursing as this program advances and are proud to contribute to its success through collaboration and mentorship of the next generation of nurse leaders.

Sincerely,



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September 2, 2025

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of Penobscot Community Health Care's (PCHC) Nurse Practitioner Residency Program, I am writing to express our full support of the University of Maine's proposed Ph.D. in Nursing program and Doctorate in Nursing Practice (DNP) Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) within the School of Nursing. We strongly endorse this initiative, recognizing the urgent statewide and national need for more doctorally prepared nurse scientists, educators, and leaders to support workforce development, improve health outcomes, and drive innovation in healthcare.

Our organization is committed to advancing the education and development of nursing professionals and views this program as a critical step toward strengthening Maine's healthcare infrastructure. We understand the importance of supporting rigorous nursing research that addresses health disparities, rural health access, and the growing complexity of patient care needs across our communities.

To that end, PCHC is pleased to offer support for Ph.D. and DNP nursing students enrolled in the University of Maine program by:

- **Providing oversight and mentorship** for students engaging in research practicums and dissertation work that align with our clinical, operational, and population health priorities;
- **Collaborating with faculty and doctoral students** to ensure research activities are ethically sound, methodologically rigorous, and relevant to contemporary healthcare challenges;
- **Facilitating access** to appropriate clinical settings, data (as appropriate), and health system personnel to support meaningful scholarly inquiry and practice-based research.

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**Penobscot Community
Health Care**

We look forward to working closely with the University of Maine School of Nursing as this program advances and are proud to contribute to its success through research collaboration and mentorship of the next generation of nurse scientists.

Sincerely,

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September 19, 2025

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the University of Maine at Fort Kent (UMFK), I am writing to express our full support of the University of Maine's proposed Ph.D. in Nursing program and Doctorate in Nursing Practice (DNP) Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) within the School of Nursing. We strongly endorse this initiative, recognizing the urgent statewide and national need for more doctorally prepared nurse scientists, educators, and leaders to support workforce development, improve health outcomes, and drive innovation in healthcare.

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Date: 9.29.25

Faculty Senate Program Creation and Reorganization Review Committee (PCRRRC)
University of Maine
168 College Avenue,
Orono Maine 04469

Dear PCRRRC,

On behalf of the University of Maine at Augusta, I am writing to express our strong support for the development of a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) and Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing (PhD) programs at the University of Maine School of Nursing at our partner institution within the University of Maine System. We are excited about the opportunity to collaborate in a meaningful way to advance nursing education, scholarship, and practice across our shared mission.

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Sincerely,

Shannon Gauvin, DHA, MSN, RN, AHN-BC
Director of Nursing



Date 9.4.2025

From Chris Laird, DNP, MBA, CCRN-K, FACHE, CENP

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On behalf of Northern Light Health Eastern Maine Medical Center, I am writing to express our full support of the University of Maine's proposed Ph.D. in Nursing program and Doctorate in Nursing Practice (DNP) Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) within the School of Nursing. We strongly endorse this initiative, recognizing the urgent statewide and national need for more doctorally prepared nurse scientists, educators, and leaders to support workforce development, improve health outcomes, and drive innovation in healthcare.

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Chris Laird, DNP, MBA, CCRN-K, FACHE, CENP

Eastern Maine Medical Center, AVP- Patient Care Services



August 5, 2025

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To Whom It May Concern:

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Date 9.4.2025

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September 15, 2025

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Explanation of Curriculum PhD in Nursing Program

Theoretical Foundational Core

1. Philosophy of Science in Nursing

Credits: 3

When is it offered: _____

Assigned faculty: _____

Focus: Explores the *underlying beliefs, assumptions, and values* that guide scientific inquiry and knowledge development in nursing.

Key Questions Addressed:

- What counts as nursing knowledge?
- How is knowledge generated and validated in nursing?
- What philosophical paradigms (e.g., positivism, post-positivism, constructivism, critical theory) influence nursing research and practice?

Purpose: To help scholars understand and critique the foundations of nursing science. It encourages deep thinking about *what it means to "know" something* in nursing.

Example Topics:

- Epistemology and ontology in nursing
- Paradigm shifts in nursing science
- Ethical and sociopolitical implications of knowledge development

2. Advanced Nursing Theory

Credits: 3

When is it offered: _____

Assigned faculty: _____

Focus: In-depth study of *nursing-specific theories* that explain and guide practice, education, and research.

Key Questions Addressed:

- What are the major nursing theories?
- How can these theories be used to guide research and clinical practice?
- What are the strengths and limitations of different theories?

Purpose: To analyze, critique, and apply *established nursing theories* (e.g., Orem's Self-Care Deficit Theory, Roy's Adaptation Model, Watson's Theory of Caring) for scholarly and practical use.

Example Topics:

- Analysis of middle-range and grand theories
- Application of theories in advanced practice or research
- Comparison of theory relevance across settings

3. Conceptual Models and Frameworks in Nursing Science

Credits: 3

When is it offered: _____

Assigned faculty: _____

Focus: Explores *structural representations* that organize and link concepts in nursing—often to guide research or practice.

Key Questions Addressed:

- How are models and frameworks constructed?
- How do they differ from theories?
- How can a framework support hypothesis development or data interpretation?

Purpose: To equip students with tools to build and apply *frameworks for research, practice, or education*. These often serve as the bridge between abstract theory and measurable study variables.

Example Topics:

- Development and use of conceptual frameworks in research
Distinction between theoretical frameworks vs conceptual models
- Role of frameworks in guiding methodology and analysis

Summary Table

Aspect	Philosophy of Science	Advanced Nursing Theory	Conceptual Models & Frameworks
Main Focus	Epistemological and ontological basis	Theories specific to nursing	Structural tools for organizing concepts
Scope	Broad, abstract	Discipline-specific	Applied, often study-specific
Primary Use	Understanding science and knowledge	Guiding nursing practice/research	Designing and supporting research studies
Examples	Positivism, constructivism	Orem, Roy, Watson	Health Belief Model, Social Ecological Model
Who Uses It Most	Scholars, theorists	Nurse scientists, educators, clinicians	Nurse researchers, doctoral students

Research Methodologies

4. Quantitative Research Design and Analysis

Credits: 3

When is it offered: _____

Assigned faculty: _____

Focus: Designing and analyzing *numeric, objective data* to test hypotheses and identify relationships between variables.

Key Elements:

- Experimental and quasi-experimental designs
- Surveys, longitudinal studies, cohort/case-control designs
- Hypothesis testing
- Descriptive and inferential statistics

Purpose: To develop and evaluate interventions, predict outcomes, or establish cause-and-effect relationships using *statistical methods*.

Example Topics:

- Sampling techniques and power analysis
- Validity, reliability, and control of confounders
- Data analysis using software like SPSS, SAS, or R

5. Qualitative and Mixed Methods Research

Credits: 3

When is it offered: _____

Assigned faculty: _____

Focus: Understanding *human experiences, perspectives, and contexts* through in-depth, non-numeric data—sometimes combined with quantitative data.

Key Elements:

- Grounded theory, phenomenology, ethnography, case study
- Interviewing, focus groups, observation
- Coding and thematic analysis
- Mixed methods: integrating qualitative and quantitative designs

Purpose: To explore complex phenomena in depth, particularly when little is known, and to bring in the *voice of patients, providers, and communities*.

Example Topics:

- Trustworthiness and credibility in qualitative research
- Integration of data sets in mixed methods
- Use of software like NVivo or ATLAS.ti

6. Biostatistics for Evidence-Based Practice (UMFK)

Credits: 3

When is it offered: _____

Assigned faculty: _____

Focus: Applying *basic to intermediate statistical techniques* to analyze health and clinical data, often using real-world datasets.

Key Elements:

- Descriptive statistics, t-tests, ANOVA
- Correlation, linear and logistic regression
- Survival analysis basics
- Use of software (e.g., SPSS, R, SAS)

Purpose: To give students hands-on experience applying statistics to health research questions, emphasizing interpretation and real-world use.

Distinct from Advanced Statistics: This course focuses on foundational and commonly used techniques, while **Advanced Statistics** covers more complex and specialized methods.

7. Measurement in Health and Behavioral Sciences

Credits: 3

When is it offered: _____

Assigned faculty: _____

Focus: Developing and evaluating *tools and instruments* that measure health-related constructs (e.g., pain, depression, quality of life).

Key Elements:

- Psychometrics (reliability, validity)
- Scale development and testing
- Classical test theory and item response theory
- Survey design and instrument adaptation

Purpose: To ensure that variables in health research are *measured accurately, consistently, and meaningfully*.

Example Topics:

- Construct and content validity
- Sensitivity and specificity of tools
- Cultural and linguistic adaptation of instruments

8. Advanced Statistics

Credits: 3

When is it offered: _____

Assigned faculty: _____

Focus: Applying complex statistical techniques to analyze data in health research.

Key Elements:

- Multivariate analysis, regression models
- Structural equation modeling (SEM)

- Longitudinal data analysis
- Hierarchical/multilevel modeling

Purpose: To enable doctoral students to conduct *sophisticated statistical analyses* aligned with modern research demands.

Example Topics:

- Mediation/moderation analyses
- Survival analysis
- Handling missing data
- Use of advanced statistical software (e.g., R, Mplus, STATA)

Proposal Development & Research Practicum

9. Grant Writing and Scholarly Dissemination

Credits: 1-3?

When is it offered: _____

Assigned faculty: _____

Focus: Developing *funding proposals* and learning how to effectively communicate research through writing and presentations.

Key Elements:

- Writing NIH/HRSA/PCORI-style grants
- Budget development and justification
- Scientific writing for peer-reviewed journals
- Conference abstracts and oral/poster presentations

Purpose: To prepare scholars for the academic and funding landscape, ensuring they can secure resources and contribute to the scientific community.

Example Topics:

- Specific Aims and Significance sections
- Responding to reviewer critiques
- Journal selection and responding to revise/resubmit requests

Summary Table

Course/Area	Primary Focus	Type of Data	Key Use
Quantitative Research Design and Analysis	Numerical study design and hypothesis testing	Numeric (objective)	Determine relationships, test interventions
Qualitative and Mixed Methods Research	Exploring human experience and meaning	Narrative/textual	Understand lived experiences/context

Biostatistics for EBP	Application of basic statistical techniques	Numeric (clinical/public health)	Analyze and interpret health data using software
Measurement in Health & Behavioral Sciences	Instrument development and psychometrics	Numeric (scales/tools)	Ensure accurate, reliable measurement
Advanced Statistics	Complex data analysis methods	Numeric (advanced)	Analyze large/complex data sets
Grant Writing & Scholarly Dissemination	Funding acquisition and publishing	Written/proposal-based	Secure funding and share research widely

BABB-MARSTON SCHOLARSHIP

Eligible Program: Ph.D. in Nursing

**THE SCHOOL OF NURSING IS EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THIS EXCITING
OPPORTUNITY FOR NURSING Ph.D. STUDENTS AT UMAINE**

The Babb-Marston Scholarship covers part of **tuition, fees**, and **education expenses** for one Ph.D. student throughout their program.



Who should apply?

- ✓ Preference is given to **graduates of the UMaine School of Nursing** who are also **from rural Maine**
- ✓ Applicant must have a **Master of Nursing** degree from an **accredited institution** and an **active RN license** in the U.S. by the time of enrollment
- ✓ Applicant is **currently not holding any fellowships**
- ✓ Applicant must retain **a GPA of 3.0 at minimum** throughout the program



For more **questions**, contact Dr. Kathryn Robinson
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Memorandum of Understanding University of Maine School of Nursing

Cooperating Departments of University of Maine at Fort Kent

September 4, 2025

Between: x (“University of Maine, Orono”) and y (“University of Maine Fort Kent”)

1. Purpose and Scope of this understanding:

- a. This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sets forth the terms and conditions under which the cooperating departments of the University of Maine, Orono (UMaine), and the University of UMaine at Fort Kent (UMFK), in accordance with the AFUM Contract, Article 7, section 7, support the delivery of the graduate-level nursing course, “Biostatistics for Evidence-Based Practice” (NUR 751) to the UMaine School of Nursing Ph.D. program doctoral students.

2. Time period:

- a. This MOU shall become effective as of the Fall semester, September 2025, and shall be subject to annual review and renewal by both institutions.

3. UMaine Responsibilities under this Agreement:

- a. Keep PhD in nursing students plan of studies up-to-date to ensure timely enrollment in Biostatistics for Evidence-Based Practice (NUR 751).
- b. Collaborate with instructor on doctoral students’ progress if not meeting course benchmarks.
- c. Coordinate with the UMaine Registrar’s Office to facilitate the cross-registration and cross-linking of the course NUR 751.
- d. Participate in collaborative discussions regarding course assessments, instructional coordination, and alignment with curriculum goals as needed.
- e. Ensure financial disbursements reflect a 50% revenue share of base tuition, based on the student’s home campus rate. Ancillary fees and charges are excluded from revenue sharing.

4. UMFK Responsibilities under this Agreement:

- a. Maintain enrollment levels for the course unless changes are mutually agreed upon in writing by both institutions.
- b. Ensure the course, when offered, is accepted by both institutions regardless of instructor origin, provided the faculty meet respective campus standards.
- c. Allow UMaine Ph.D. in nursing students to attend the course remotely, using institutionally supported instructional technology.

- d. Offer the course in alignment with UMaine's three-, four-, and five-year curriculum plans, ensuring rotational availability that meets student progression needs.
- e. Reserve up to five (5) seats for UMaine Ph.D. students per offering, with the remainder of enrollment available to other eligible students as appropriate.
- f. Provide instructor compensation according to the established policies and procedures of the host (delivering) institution.

5. Termination

- a. Either party may terminate this agreement by providing a minimum of ninety (90) calendar days' written notice prior to the final day of the spring academic term, specifying the intent to discontinue the agreement for the following academic year. In the event of termination of this agreement for any reason, any prepaid amounts shall be returned on a pro rata basis for any portion of the year after the effective date of termination. Such refund payment shall be due within sixty (60) days of the effective date of termination.

6. Notice

- a. Any notice to either party under this agreement must be in writing signed by the party giving it, and shall be served personally, by email to the appropriate individuals on this agreement, or by mail at the addresses listed below.

UMaine

[Address]

UMFK

[Address]

7. The signatories acknowledge they will work collaboratively and in good faith to fulfill their agreed responsibilities and to settle any disagreement which may arise. This MOU is intended to foster collaboration. Any dispute should first be settled by the signatories and, if unable to reach a mutually agreeable solution, the parties' sole recourse shall be to submit disputes for consideration and resolution by their respective campus Presidents or their designee(s).

Signature page follows.

Agreed by both parties:

X:

By:

Y:

By:

Signature

Signature

Printed Name

Title

Date

Printed Name

Title

Date

Job Posting Analytics

Lightcast Q3 2025 Data Set

July 2025

Maine

Parameters

Select Timeframe: Jan 2020 - Jun 2025

Occupations:

Results should include

Code	Description
29-1141	Registered Nurses

Regions:

Code	Description
23	Maine

Minimum Experience Required: Any

Advertised Salary: Include all postings regardless

Education Level:

Description
Ph.D. or professional degree

Job Type: Include Internships

Keyword Search: PhD

Posting Type: Newly Posted

Job Postings Overview

25

Unique Postings

70 Total Postings

11

Employers Competing

13,719 Total Employers

18 Days

Median Posting Duration

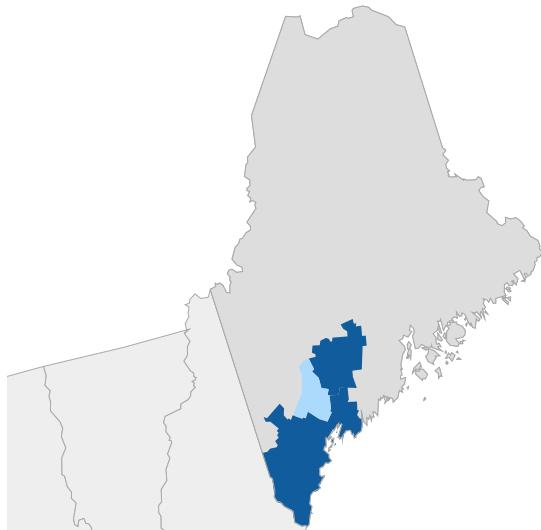
Regional Average: 27 Days

3 : 1

Posting Intensity

Regional Average: 2 : 1

Job Postings Regional Breakdown



MSA

Unique Postings (Jan 2020 - Jun 2025)

Augusta-Waterville, ME	6
Portland-South Portland, ME	5
Lewiston-Auburn, ME	1

Unique Postings Trend



Month	Unique Postings	Posting Intensity
Jun 2025	0	Insf. Data
May 2025	0	Insf. Data
Apr 2025	0	Insf. Data
Mar 2025	0	Insf. Data
Feb 2025	0	Insf. Data
Jan 2025	1	1 : 1
Dec 2024	1	3 : 1
Nov 2024	1	1 : 1
Oct 2024	0	Insf. Data
Sep 2024	0	Insf. Data
Aug 2024	0	Insf. Data
Jul 2024	0	Insf. Data
Jun 2024	0	Insf. Data
May 2024	0	Insf. Data
Apr 2024	2	2 : 1
Mar 2024	0	Insf. Data
Feb 2024	5	3 : 1
Jan 2024	0	Insf. Data
Dec 2023	0	Insf. Data
Nov 2023	4	5 : 1

Oct 2023	2	2 : 1
Sep 2023	1	11 : 1
Aug 2023	0	Insf. Data
Jul 2023	0	Insf. Data
Jun 2023	0	Insf. Data
May 2023	0	Insf. Data
Apr 2023	1	1 : 1
Mar 2023	0	Insf. Data
Feb 2023	0	Insf. Data
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Apr 2021	0	Insf. Data

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Oct 2020	1	2 : 1
Sep 2020	0	Insf. Data
Aug 2020	0	Insf. Data
Jul 2020	0	Insf. Data

Education Breakdown

Education Level	Unique Postings	% of Total
No Education Listed	0	0%
High school or GED	1	4%
Associate's degree	18	72%
Bachelor's degree	18	72%
Master's degree	18	72%
Ph.D. or professional degree	25	100%

Minimum Education Breakdown

Minimum Education Level	Unique Postings (minimum)	Unique Postings (max advertised)	% of Total (minimum)
High school or GED	1	0	4%
Associate's degree	18	0	72%
Bachelor's degree	1	0	4%
Master's degree	2	0	8%
Ph.D. or professional degree	3	22	12%

Experience Breakdown

Minimum Experience	Unique Postings	% of Total
No Experience Listed	3	12%
0 - 1 Years	12	48%
2 - 3 Years	4	16%
4 - 6 Years	3	12%
7 - 9 Years	3	12%
10+ Years	0	0%

Top Companies Posting

	Total/Unique (Jan 2020 - Jun 2025)	Posting Intensity	Median Posting Duration
MultiCare Health System	47 / 11	4 : 1	15 days
Maine Medical Center	4 / 3	1 : 1	20 days
Peraton	5 / 3	2 : 1	n/a
University of New England	1 / 1	1 : 1	n/a
Jackson Laboratory	2 / 1	2 : 1	n/a
Portsmouth Regional Hospital	1 / 1	1 : 1	16 days
United States Department of Veterans Affairs	2 / 1	2 : 1	n/a
Dha Group	3 / 1	3 : 1	29 days
Southern Maine Community College	1 / 1	1 : 1	54 days
Intermountain Health	3 / 1	3 : 1	38 days

Top Cities Posting

City	Total/Unique (Jan 2020 - Jun 2025)	Posting Intensity	Median Posting Duration
Washington, ME	47 / 11	4 : 1	15 days
Augusta, ME	11 / 6	2 : 1	15 days
Portland, ME	3 / 3	1 : 1	13 days
Auburn, ME	1 / 1	1 : 1	16 days
Bar Harbor, ME	2 / 1	2 : 1	n/a
Kittery, ME	3 / 1	3 : 1	29 days
Norway, ME	2 / 1	2 : 1	20 days
South Portland, ME	1 / 1	1 : 1	54 days

Top Posted Occupations

	Total/Unique (Jan 2020 - Jun 2025)	Posting Intensity	Median Posting Duration
Registered Nurses	70 / 25	3 : 1	18 days

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Top Posted Occupations

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Registered Nurse	62 / 20	3 : 1	 18 days
Clinical Nurse Educator	3 / 2	2 : 1	 15 days
Clinical Case Manager	2 / 2	1 : 1	 13 days
Nursing Manager / Supervisor	3 / 1	3 : 1	 38 days

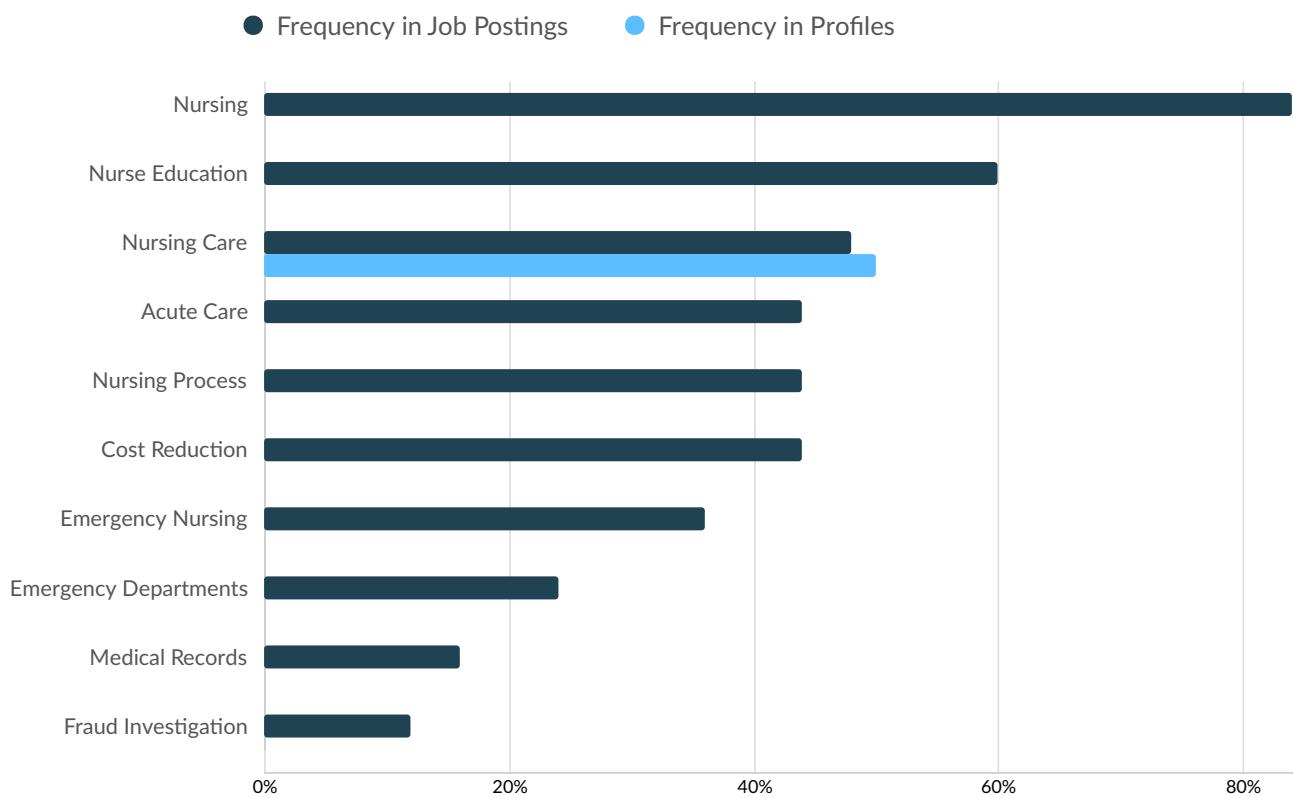
Top Posted Job Titles

	Total/Unique (Jan 2020 - Jun 2025)	Posting Intensity	Median Posting Duration
Emergency Department Registered Nurses	34 / 9	4 : 1	 15 days
Case Managers	2 / 2	1 : 1	 13 days
Progressive Care Unit Registered Nurses	13 / 2	7 : 1	 44 days
Fraud Managers	3 / 2	2 : 1	 n/a
Family Medicine Physicians	2 / 1	2 : 1	 20 days
Clinical Content Specialists	1 / 1	1 : 1	 15 days
Nurse Reviewers	2 / 1	2 : 1	 n/a
Cardiac Cath Lab Registered Nurses	1 / 1	1 : 1	 16 days
Department Chairs	1 / 1	1 : 1	 54 days
Sales Excellence Managers	2 / 1	2 : 1	 n/a

Top Industries

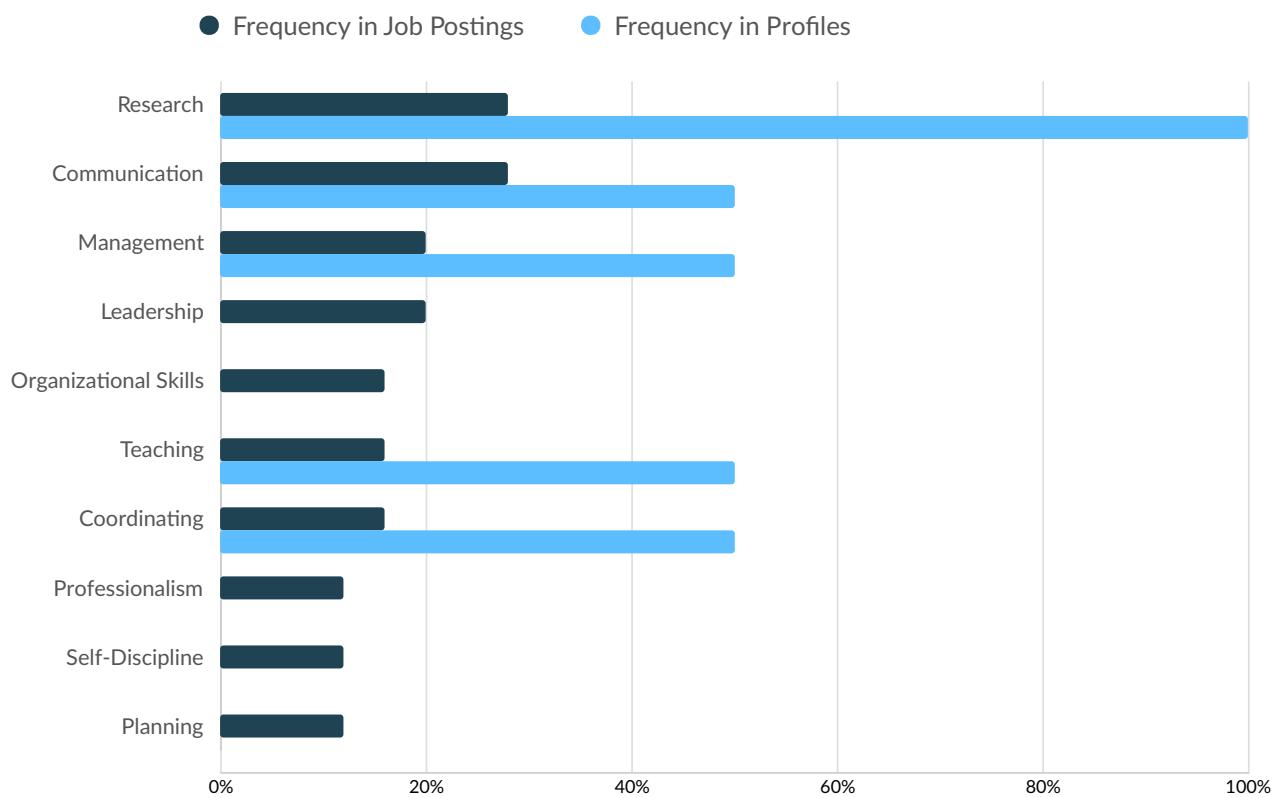
	Total/Unique (Jan 2020 - Jun 2025)	Posting Intensity	Median Posting Duration
General Medical and Surgical Hospitals	55 / 16	3 : 1	 18 days
Computing Infrastructure Providers, Data Processing, Web Hosting, and Related Services	5 / 3	2 : 1	 n/a
Engineering Services	3 / 1	3 : 1	 29 days
Research and Development in the Social Sciences and Humanities	2 / 1	2 : 1	 n/a
Junior Colleges	1 / 1	1 : 1	 54 days
Colleges, Universities, and Professional Schools	1 / 1	1 : 1	 n/a
Administration of Veterans' Affairs	2 / 1	2 : 1	 n/a
Unclassified Industry	1 / 1	1 : 1	 15 days

Top Specialized Skills



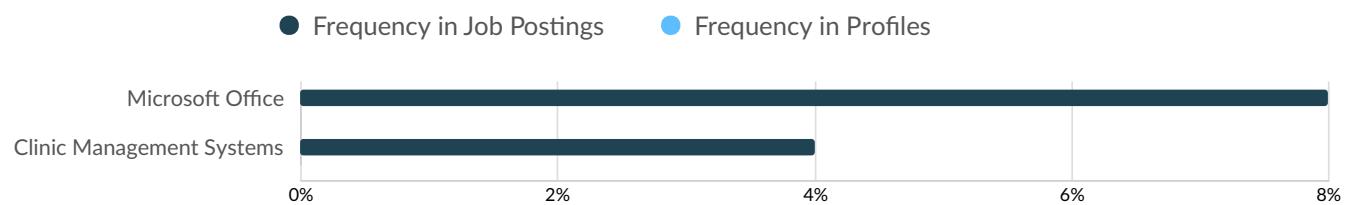
	Postings	% of Total Postings	Profiles	% of Total Profiles	Projected Skill Growth	Skill Growth Relative to Market
Nursing	21	84%	0	0%	+20.1%	Rapidly Growing
Nurse Education	15	60%	0	0%	+7.7%	Stable
Nursing Care	12	48%	1	50%	+19.1%	Growing
Acute Care	11	44%	0	0%	+12.8%	Growing
Nursing Process	11	44%	0	0%	+24.2%	Rapidly Growing
Cost Reduction	11	44%	0	0%	+17.7%	Growing
Emergency Nursing	9	36%	0	0%	+11.4%	Growing
Emergency Departments	6	24%	0	0%	+9.1%	Growing
Medical Records	4	16%	0	0%	+12.5%	Growing
Fraud Investigation	3	12%	0	0%	+9.2%	Growing

Top Common Skills



	Postings	% of Total Postings	Profiles	% of Total Profiles	Projected Skill Growth	Skill Growth Relative to Market
Research	7	28%	2	100%	+17.2%	Growing
Communication	7	28%	1	50%	+3.6%	Lagging
Management	5	20%	1	50%	+5.3%	Stable
Leadership	5	20%	0	0%	+8.5%	Stable
Organizational Skills	4	16%	0	0%	+14.3%	Growing
Teaching	4	16%	1	50%	+18.8%	Growing
Coordinating	4	16%	1	50%	+14.7%	Growing
Professionalism	3	12%	0	0%	+15.1%	Growing
Self-Discipline	3	12%	0	0%	+20.8%	Rapidly Growing
Planning	3	12%	0	0%	+10.9%	Growing

Top Software Skills



	Postings	% of Total Postings	Profiles	% of Total Profiles	Projected Skill Growth	Skill Growth Relative to Market
Microsoft Office	2	8%	0	0%	+18.5%	Growing
Clinic Management Systems	1	4%	0	0%	+9.6%	Growing

Top Qualifications

	Postings with Qualification
Registered Nurse (RN)	16
Nurse Practitioner (APRN-CNP)	13
Trauma Nurse Core Course (TNCC)	11
Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Certification	11
Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS) Certification	11
Basic Life Support (BLS) Certification	11
Neonatal Resuscitation Program Certification (NRP)	11
Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)	11
National Council Licensure Examination	3
Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW)	2

Appendix A

Top Posting Sources

Website	Postings on Website (Jan 2020 - Jun 2025)
arkansasjobboard.com	11
dejobs.org	4
maine.gov	2
portlandmerecruiter.com	2
usajobs.gov	2
careerarc.com	1
careerjet.com	1
chronicle.com	1
disabledperson.com	1
federalgovernmentjobs.us	1
healthcareercenter.com	1
higheredjobs.com	1
indeed.com	1
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Appendix B

Sample Postings

Registered Nurse, RN - Family Medicine

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Location: Norway, ME

O*NET: 29-1141.00

Company: Maine Medical Center

Job Title: Family Medicine Physicians

Registered Nurse, RN - Family Medicine MaineHealth Norway, ME Permanent Full-time 1 day ago Summary For a limited time MaineHealth is offering up to \$10,000 Sign on bonus for all eligible experienced Registered Nurses with 1-3 years of experience and \$20,000 for experienced Registered Nurses with greater than 3 years of experience! Eligible candidates are hired (offer accepted) into a Full or Part time RN position. Bonus amount prorated for Part time hires, per diem hires are ineligible. Current MaineHealth member employees are ineligible; former MaineHealth Members are ineligible until greater than 6 months separation from employment. Position Summary The Registered Nurse for Western Maine Family Medicine, under the direction of physicians, participates in patient care by performing clinical duties, responding to patient telephone and secure electronic message inquiries, and coordinating care in the medical home and across the continuum of care. Required Minimum Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities (KSAs)

Education:

N/A License/Certifications:

Active RN license. RQI BLS Certification within first 30 days of employment

Experience:

N/A Knowledge of nursing processes; health care systems, structure and functions; and community resources Knowledge of chart/medical record documentation requirements and federal/state laws related to release of health care information Excellent communication and interpersonal skills necessary for interacting with patients, physicians, supervisors and other staff Skill in time management, problem solving, multitasking, prioritizing and medical care coordination Ability to calculate and administer drug dosages and injections and measure results Ability to respond to the changing workload based on patient census Ability to maintain professional manner even under stressful situations Proficient computer skills Forward this job to your email to apply later Share Similar Jobs Save Trondheim, Trndelag Offer Description About the job For a position as a **PhD** Candidate, the goal is a completed doctoral education up to an obtained doctoral degree. We seek a talented and enthous 25 days ago more...

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Case Managers – Maine Medical Center in Portland, ME (Nov 2024 - Jan 2025)

Case Manager - BHCP

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Location: Portland, ME	O*NET: 29-1141.00
Company: Maine Medical Center	Job Title: Case Managers

Case Manager - BHCP at MaineHealth in Portland, Maine, United States Job Description Description Behavioral HealthReq #: 8689

Summary:

The Case Manager - BHCP role provides mental health and substance abuse management services to members in ambulatory, inpatient, crisis, stabilization unit, outpatient and alternative care settings. This role ensures that patients receive quality clinical care and authorizes necessary services in appropriate and cost-effective settings. Required Minimum Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities (KSAs) 1.

Education:

RNCS, ARNP, LCSW, LCPC or **PhD** Degree required.2.

License/Certifications:

Current applicable state(s) license in area of education required.3.

Experience:

Three years (postgraduate) of clinical experience preferred.4.

Additional Skills/Requirements Required:

N/A5.

Additional Skills/Requirements Preferred:

N/A Additional Information With a career at any of the MaineHealth locations across Maine and New Hampshire, you'll be working with health care professionals that truly value the people around them - both within the walls of the organization and the communities that surround it. We offer benefits that support an individual's needs for today and flexibility to plan for tomorrow - programs such as paid parental leave, a flexible work policy, student loan assistance, training and education, along with well-being resources for you and your family. MaineHealth remains focused on investing in our care team and developing an inclusive environment where you can thrive and feel supported to realize your full potential. If you're looking to build a career in a place where people help one another deliver best-in-class care, apply today. MaineHealth values diversity and is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. Federal and state laws prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, color, national origin, religion, age, sex, sexual orientation, disability or veteran status.

Case Managers – Maine Medical Center in Portland, ME (Feb 2020 - Feb 2020)

Case Manager

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Location: Portland, ME	O*NET: 29-1141.00
Company: Maine Medical Center	Job Title: Case Managers

Case Manager at MaineHealth Corporate in Portland, Maine Posted in Other about 2 hours ago. This job brought to you by

America's Job Exchange Type:

Part Time Job Description:

Position Summary

- The Case Manager (CM) provides mental health and substance abuse management services to members in ambulatory (partial, IOP), inpatient, crisis stabilization unit, outpatient and alternative care settings.

The CM uses accepted criteria and guidelines to conduct pre-admission, concurrent and retrospective review of all inpatient admissions. The CM is the primary liaison between the patient, attending physician, primary care physician, providers and practitioners. The case manager ensures that members receive quality clinical care and authorizes necessary services in appropriate and cost effective settings by assessing, planning, coordinating and monitoring these services. The Case Manager also serves members considered to be at high risk. The Case Manager works with the PCP and community mental health and substance abuse providers to develop and implement care plans. The CM facilitates the delivery of quality clinical care ensuring that the member receives that care at the most appropriate level of care.

- Required Minimum Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities (KSAs)
- Required degree of RNCS, ARNP, LCSW, LCPC or PhD.
- Current independent Maine state licensure.
- Minimum of three years (post graduate) clinical experience preferred.
- Strong analytical, problem-solving, and decision-making skills.
- Excellent organizational skills.
- Ability to work both independently and to collaborate with teams of individuals in diverse settings.
- Ability to manage conflict, stress and multiple simultaneous work demands in an effective, professional manner.
- Ability and willingness to self-motivate, prioritize, and be willing to change processes to improve effectiveness efficiency. Adapts to changing organizational priorities.
- Knowledge of computer software, including Microsoft Office.

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Department Chairs – Southern Maine Community College in South Portland, ME (M.)

Full-Time Department Chair, Nursing Department\nSouthern Maine Community College\nSouth Portland, ME

Link to Live Job Posting: Posting is no longer active

Location: South Portland, ME	O*NET: 29-1141.00
Company: Southern Maine Community College	Job Title: Department Chairs

Full-Time Department Chair, Nursing DepartmentSouthern Maine Community CollegeSouth Portland, ME

Apply Now Type:

Full-Time

Posted:

03/24/2022

Application Due:

Open Until Filled

Category:

Nursing

RESPONSIBILITIES

SMCC is seeking a full-time, ten-month administrative teaching faculty member to serve as department chair for Southern Maine Community College's associate degree nursing program and LPN program. The candidate must assume the principal leadership role for the nursing program. Responsibilities include oversight of the nursing program: leadership in nursing curriculum revision, nursing program evaluation, and academic advising to nursing students. Also included are the coordination of teaching assignments of nursing faculty; management of program standards and evaluation to meet Maine State Board of Nursing requirements and Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) standards; representation of SMCC's nursing program to the community; maintenance of the strong positive relationships the program has with external agencies for clinical practice; and guidance of faculty and students for the future of nursing in Maine. •Southern Maine Community College requires

COVID -19

vaccination for new employees and will consider accommodations for religious and medical based reasons.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Master's degree in Nursing and current Maine RN licensure. Significant experience in program development, and/or nursing education, preferably at the Associate Degree level. Demonstrated commitment to associate degree nursing education and academic progression in nursing Ability to provide leadership in instruction, curriculum development, and student and faculty evaluation. Experience with

ACEN/ CNE

standards accreditation, the self-study process and Maine State Board of Nursing regulations Chapter 7.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

Current 3-5 years current full-time nursing education experience DNP or **PhD**.

PROJECTED START DATE

August 2022

BENEFITS SUMMARY:

100% employer paid health, dental and life insurance for employees (spouse/domestic partner/dependent coverage also available), vision insurance, choice between Maine Public Employees Retirement System or TIAA in lieu of social security, generous sick/personal time allowances, professional development, and free tuition within the MCCS for employee, spouse and qualifying dependents.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Review of applications will begin the week of April 15th, 2022 and will continue until the position is filled. Interested applicants should submit a cover letter, resume, three professional references and college transcripts to HR@smccme.

edu or mail to:

Southern Maine Community College 2 Fort Road South Portland, ME 04106

Attn:

HR Department SMCC is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer & Educational Institution

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Program Director, School of Nursing and Public Health

Link to Live Job Posting: Posting is no longer active

Location: Portland, ME

O*NET: 29-1141.00

Company: University of New England

Job Title: Public Health Directors

Program Director, School of Nursing and Public HealthEmployerUniversity of New EnglandLocationPortland, MaineSalaryCommensurate with role and experiencePosted DateMar 20, 2023 View more Apply on website(This will open in a new window from which you will be automatically redirected to an external site after 5 seconds)Savejob- Click to add the job to your shortlistSend job

Description:

A visionary leader who will grow and build on the strong programs that already exist in the University of New England, Westbrook College of Health Professions, School of Nursing and Population Health (SONPH). The Program Director oversees all aspects of the undergraduate nursing and public health programs. This includes a traditional 4-year baccalaureate of science in nursing (BSN) program, two yearly entry points of a 16-month accelerated BSN (ABSN) program, and a BS in public health. The Program Director, responsible for oversight and supervision of faculty and staff, will provide visionary leadership addressing program organization, development, expansion and outreach cultivating external partnerships. Duties also include budgetary oversight with sound, fiscal management. The Program Director will support faculty in a shared-governance approach while working collaboratively with the Dean of the Westbrook College of Health Professions and leadership at the University of New England.

Responsibilities:

Provide direction and leadership for nursing and public health programs Provide leadership and mentorship for faculty and staff development Support research and scholarship endeavors Conduct annual performance evaluations, develop progress plans and Retention Promotion Tenure reviews as indicated. Curricular oversight (course offerings, class schedules, faculty assignments, content delivery and evaluation). Collaborate with other Program Directors, Deans, and Administration Communicate regularly with the Dean of the Westbrook College of Health Professions Collaborate with other university offices to optimize processes and efficiency Represent the SONPH with stakeholders within the College, University, Community, and stakeholders external to UNE Support and facilitate interprofessional activities and initiatives at the College and University levels Support and develop curricular and extracurricular activities in the Interprofessional Simulation and Innovation Center (ISIC) Lead strategic planning activities for multiple programs within the SONPH Be accountable for comprehensive program/curriculum review and academic assessment processes Lead and demonstrate accountability for program accreditation including annual program evaluation plans Ensure compliance with all state and federal regulatory agencies Develop and manage the program budget Explore alternate sources of funding support including extramural grants Strong, open leadership style that is transparent in nature. Values faculty governance and faculty autonomy. Facilitates team building and collaboration.

Qualifications:

Required Earned doctorate (PhD, DNS, DNP, EdD) Master's Degree or higher in Nursing Current and active license or eligibility as a registered professional nurse in Maine Record of administrative leadership of multiple programs. Demonstrated record of new program/and or course development Have an active research/translational research agenda with demonstrated track record of extramural funding Have a minimum of four years teaching at the Baccalaureate level Progressive evidence of leadership experience in the areas of administration, and education Sophisticated understanding of contemporary issues in nursing and population health education Experience in curriculum development and assessment. A background check may be required

Supervision Provided:

Administrative supervision is received from the Dean of the Westbrook College of Health Professionals.

Appendix C - Data Sources and Calculations

Lightcast Job Postings

Job postings are collected from various sources and processed/enriched to provide information such as standardized company name, occupation, skills, and geography.

Job Posting Analytics

Lightcast Q3 2025 Data Set

July 2025

Maine

Parameters

Select Timeframe: Jan 2020 - Jun 2025

Occupations:

Results should include

Code	Description
29-1141	Registered Nurses

Regions:

Code	Description
0	United States

Minimum Experience Required: Any

Advertised Salary: Include all postings regardless

Education Level:

Description
Ph.D. or professional degree

Job Type: Include Internships

Keyword Search: PhD

Posting Type: Newly Posted

Job Postings Overview

37,448

Unique Postings

129,912 Total Postings

1,712

Employers Competing

2.14M Total Employers

27 Days

Median Posting Duration

Regional Average: 27 Days

3 : 1

Posting Intensity

Regional Average: 3 : 1

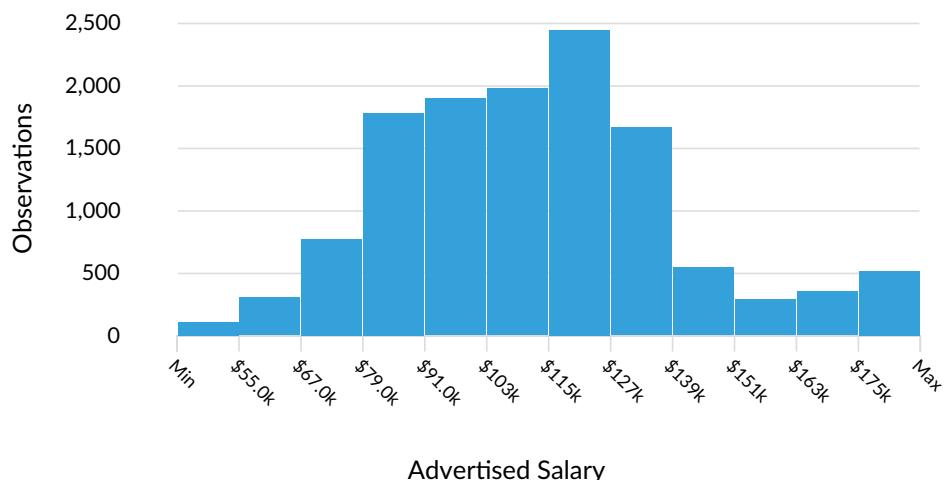
Advertised Salary

There are 12,607 advertised salary observations (34% of the 37,448 matching postings).

\$113.5K

Median Advertised Salary

This is \$20.0K above the government recorded median salary for Registered Nurses in the United States.



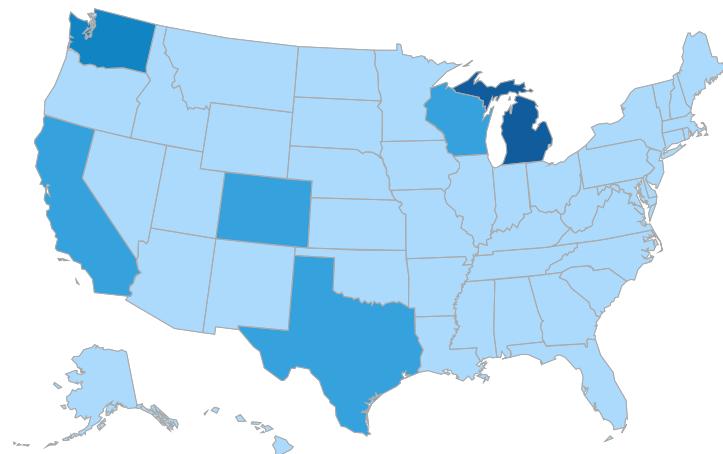
Advertised Salary Trend

▲34.2% Jan 2020 – Jun 2025

\$114k Median

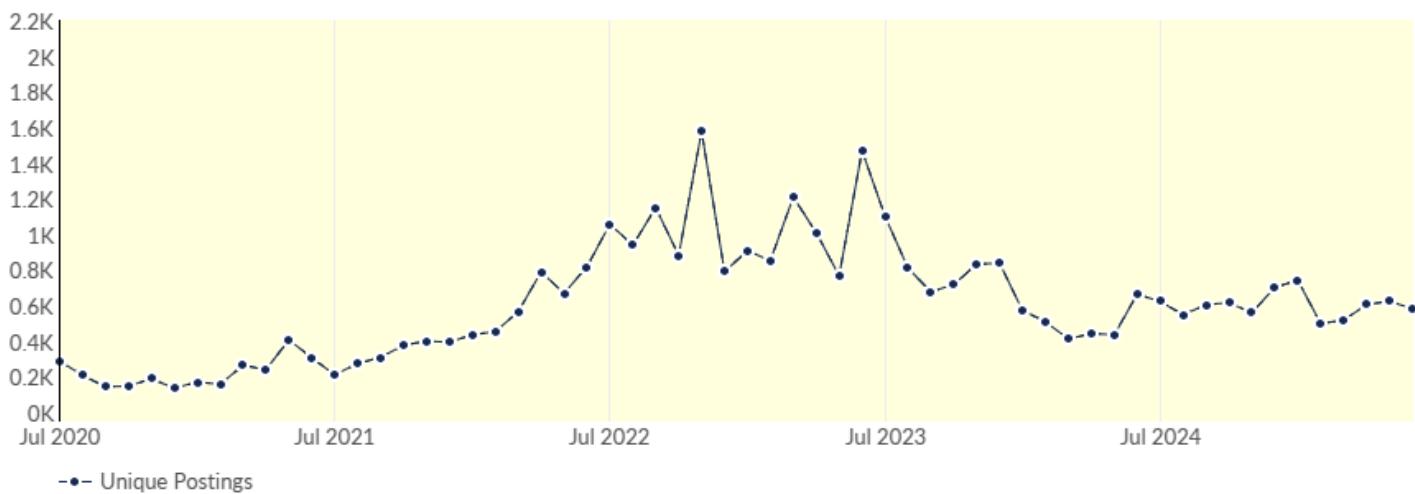


Job Postings Regional Breakdown



State	Unique Postings (Jan 2020 - Jun 2025)
Michigan	10,083
Washington	6,506
Colorado	3,607
Wisconsin	2,539
California	2,175

Unique Postings Trend



Month	Unique Postings	Posting Intensity
Jun 2025	583	4 : 1
May 2025	625	4 : 1
Apr 2025	606	4 : 1
Mar 2025	517	5 : 1
Feb 2025	501	5 : 1
Jan 2025	743	4 : 1
Dec 2024	702	5 : 1
Nov 2024	560	5 : 1
Oct 2024	617	5 : 1
Sep 2024	605	4 : 1
Aug 2024	549	4 : 1
Jul 2024	624	3 : 1
Jun 2024	664	3 : 1
May 2024	436	3 : 1
Apr 2024	444	3 : 1
Mar 2024	412	3 : 1
Feb 2024	510	3 : 1
Jan 2024	572	3 : 1
Dec 2023	839	3 : 1
Nov 2023	833	3 : 1

Oct 2023	719	3 : 1
Sep 2023	677	3 : 1
Aug 2023	812	3 : 1
Jul 2023	1,102	5 : 1
Jun 2023	1,470	3 : 1
May 2023	768	4 : 1
Apr 2023	1,010	3 : 1
Mar 2023	1,209	3 : 1
Feb 2023	853	3 : 1
Jan 2023	908	3 : 1
Dec 2022	792	4 : 1
Nov 2022	1,578	3 : 1
Oct 2022	882	3 : 1
Sep 2022	1,150	2 : 1
Aug 2022	940	3 : 1
Jul 2022	1,057	3 : 1
Jun 2022	818	3 : 1
May 2022	670	3 : 1
Apr 2022	789	3 : 1
Mar 2022	566	3 : 1
Feb 2022	454	4 : 1
Jan 2022	437	3 : 1
Dec 2021	395	3 : 1
Nov 2021	401	3 : 1
Oct 2021	378	4 : 1
Sep 2021	309	3 : 1
Aug 2021	276	4 : 1
Jul 2021	212	5 : 1
Jun 2021	307	4 : 1
May 2021	408	4 : 1
Apr 2021	241	3 : 1

Mar 2021	265	6 : 1
Feb 2021	159	5 : 1
Jan 2021	171	4 : 1
Dec 2020	137	4 : 1
Nov 2020	190	6 : 1
Oct 2020	148	4 : 1
Sep 2020	145	6 : 1
Aug 2020	208	3 : 1
Jul 2020	290	3 : 1

Education Breakdown

Education Level	Unique Postings	% of Total
No Education Listed	0	0%
High school or GED	376	1%
Associate's degree	16,476	44%
Bachelor's degree	29,605	79%
Master's degree	24,490	65%
Ph.D. or professional degree	37,448	100%

Minimum Education Breakdown

Minimum Education Level	Unique Postings (minimum)	Unique Postings (max advertised)	% of Total (minimum)
High school or GED	376	0	1%
Associate's degree	16,325	0	44%
Bachelor's degree	14,967	0	40%
Master's degree	3,020	0	8%
Ph.D. or professional degree	2,760	34,688	7%

Experience Breakdown

Minimum Experience	Unique Postings	% of Total
No Experience Listed	8,683	23%
0 - 1 Years	17,115	46%
2 - 3 Years	8,555	23%
4 - 6 Years	2,047	5%
7 - 9 Years	501	1%
10+ Years	547	1%

Top Companies Posting

	Total/Unique (Jan 2020 - Jun 2025)	Posting Intensity	Median Posting Duration
Corewell Health	35,735 / 9,696	4 : 1	29 days
MultiCare Health System	19,411 / 4,323	4 : 1	27 days
Denver Health	14,149 / 3,169	4 : 1	31 days
Froedtert & The Medical College of Wisconsin	11,797 / 2,338	5 : 1	30 days
Dha Group	4,281 / 1,608	3 : 1	23 days
Main Line Health	1,340 / 778	2 : 1	25 days
United States Department of Health and Human Services	1,576 / 747	2 : 1	21 days
Houston Methodist	2,041 / 564	4 : 1	29 days
United States Department of Defense	602 / 371	2 : 1	15 days
The Good Samaritan Hospital	1,447 / 357	4 : 1	30 days

Top Cities Posting

City	Total/Unique (Jan 2020 - Jun 2025)	Posting Intensity	Median Posting Duration
Denver, CO	13,919 / 2,953	5 : 1	31 days
Royal Oak, MI	8,227 / 1,841	4 : 1	32 days
Tacoma, WA	7,817 / 1,784	4 : 1	28 days
Milwaukee, WI	8,590 / 1,647	5 : 1	31 days
Dearborn, MI	6,135 / 1,136	5 : 1	33 days
Troy, MI	4,296 / 957	4 : 1	30 days
Puyallup, WA	3,970 / 831	5 : 1	26 days
Farmington, MI	2,771 / 772	4 : 1	29 days
Houston, TX	2,383 / 708	3 : 1	27 days
Spokane, WA	2,842 / 701	4 : 1	31 days

Top Posted Occupations

	Total/Unique (Jan 2020 - Jun 2025)	Posting Intensity	Median Posting Duration
Registered Nurses	129,912 / 37,448	3 : 1	27 days

Top Posted Occupations

Occupation (O*NET)	Total/Unique (Jan 2020 - Jun 2025)	Posting Intensity	Median Posting Duration
Registered Nurses	111,542 / 31,905	3 : 1	27 days
Critical Care Nurses	13,730 / 4,156	3 : 1	27 days
Acute Care Nurses	2,502 / 745	3 : 1	28 days
Advanced Practice Psychiatric Nurses	1,811 / 519	3 : 1	28 days
Clinical Nurse Specialists	327 / 123	3 : 1	31 days

Top Posted Occupations

Occupation	Total/Unique (Jan 2020 - Jun 2025)	Posting Intensity	Median Posting Duration
Registered Nurse	116,923 / 33,242	4 : 1	27 days
Nursing Manager / Supervisor	8,027 / 2,816	3 : 1	29 days
Nurse Practitioner	1,811 / 519	3 : 1	28 days
Clinical Case Manager	1,897 / 370	5 : 1	24 days
Clinical Nurse Educator	880 / 359	2 : 1	24 days
Clinical Nurse Specialist	327 / 123	3 : 1	31 days
Director of Nursing	47 / 19	2 : 1	17 days

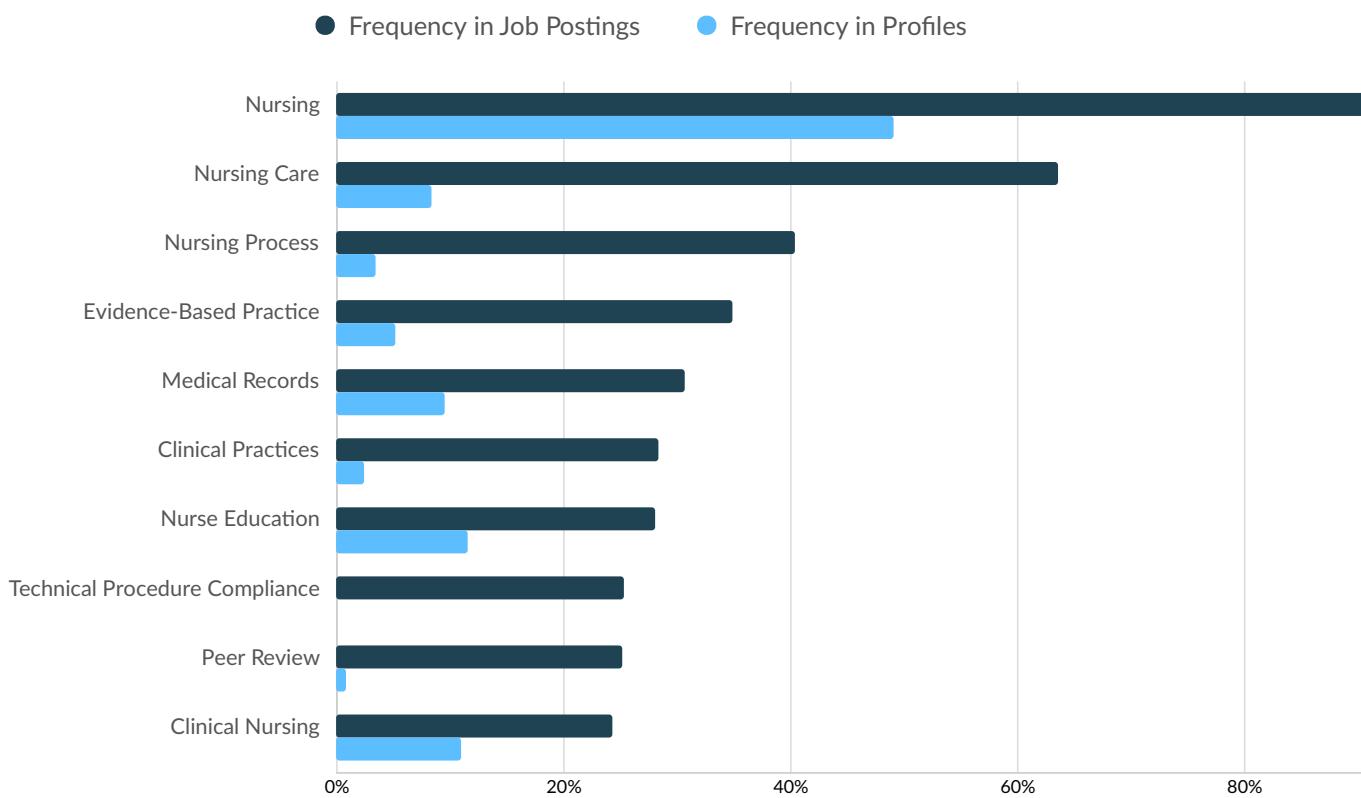
Top Posted Job Titles

	Total/Unique (Jan 2020 - Jun 2025)	Posting Intensity	Median Posting Duration
Medical Surgical Registered Nurses	9,091 / 1,993	5 : 1	30 days
Registered Nurses	7,922 / 1,812	4 : 1	27 days
Emergency Department Registered Nurses	4,979 / 876	6 : 1	28 days
ICU Registered Nurses	3,746 / 788	5 : 1	28 days
Staff Nurses	4,490 / 773	6 : 1	30 days
Progressive Care Registered Nurses	2,044 / 597	3 : 1	29 days
Critical Care Registered Nurses	1,690 / 593	3 : 1	29 days
Clinical Nurses	5,570 / 588	9 : 1	24 days
Floaters	2,277 / 575	4 : 1	28 days
Oncology Registered Nurses	1,683 / 538	3 : 1	23 days

Top Industries

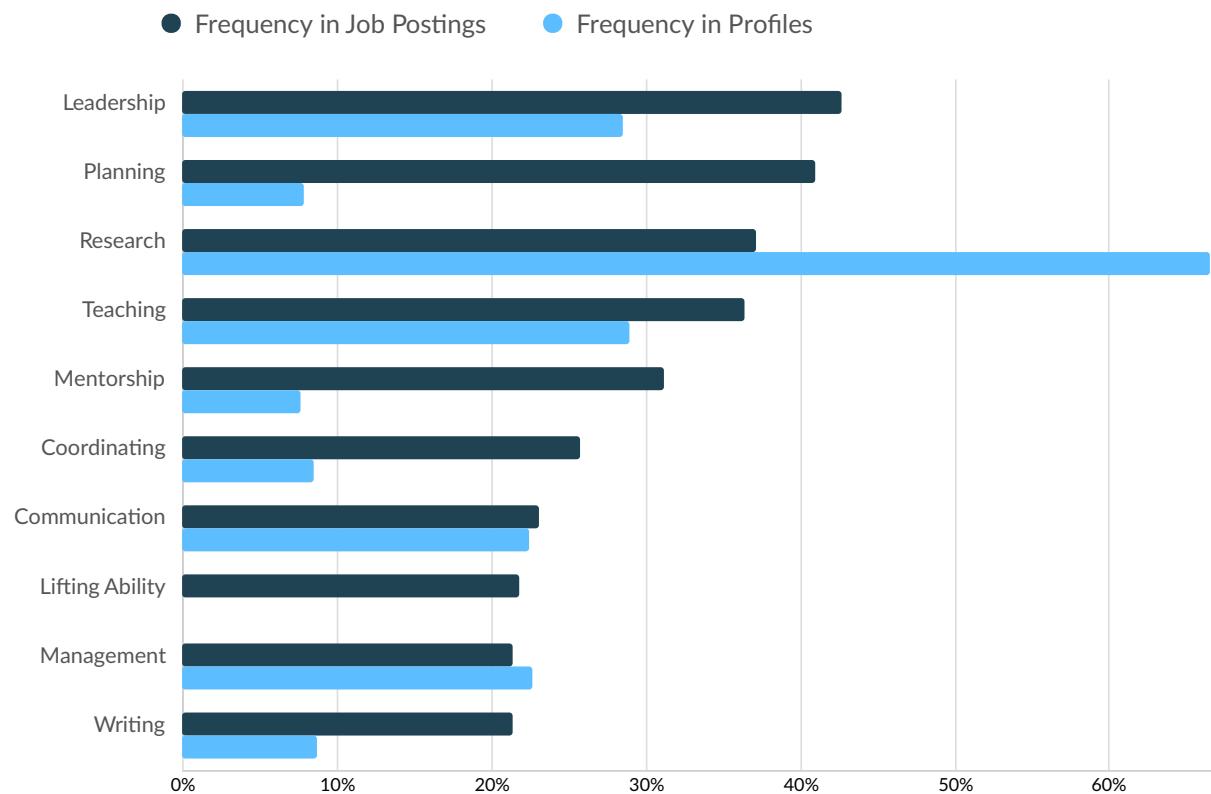
	Total/Unique (Jan 2020 - Jun 2025)	Posting Intensity	Median Posting Duration
General Medical and Surgical Hospitals	82,578 / 21,682	4 : 1 	29 days
Unclassified Industry	6,840 / 2,650	3 : 1 	23 days
Freestanding Ambulatory Surgical and Emergency Centers	11,816 / 2,345	5 : 1 	30 days
Colleges, Universities, and Professional Schools	5,521 / 2,136	3 : 1 	32 days
Engineering Services	4,360 / 1,619	3 : 1 	22 days
Offices of Physicians (except Mental Health Specialists)	1,815 / 763	2 : 1 	26 days
Administration of Public Health Programs	1,599 / 757	2 : 1 	21 days
Nursing Care Facilities (Skilled Nursing Facilities)	2,290 / 667	3 : 1 	27 days
National Security	1,060 / 540	2 : 1 	16 days
All Other Miscellaneous Ambulatory Health Care Services	1,244 / 417	3 : 1 	27 days

Top Specialized Skills



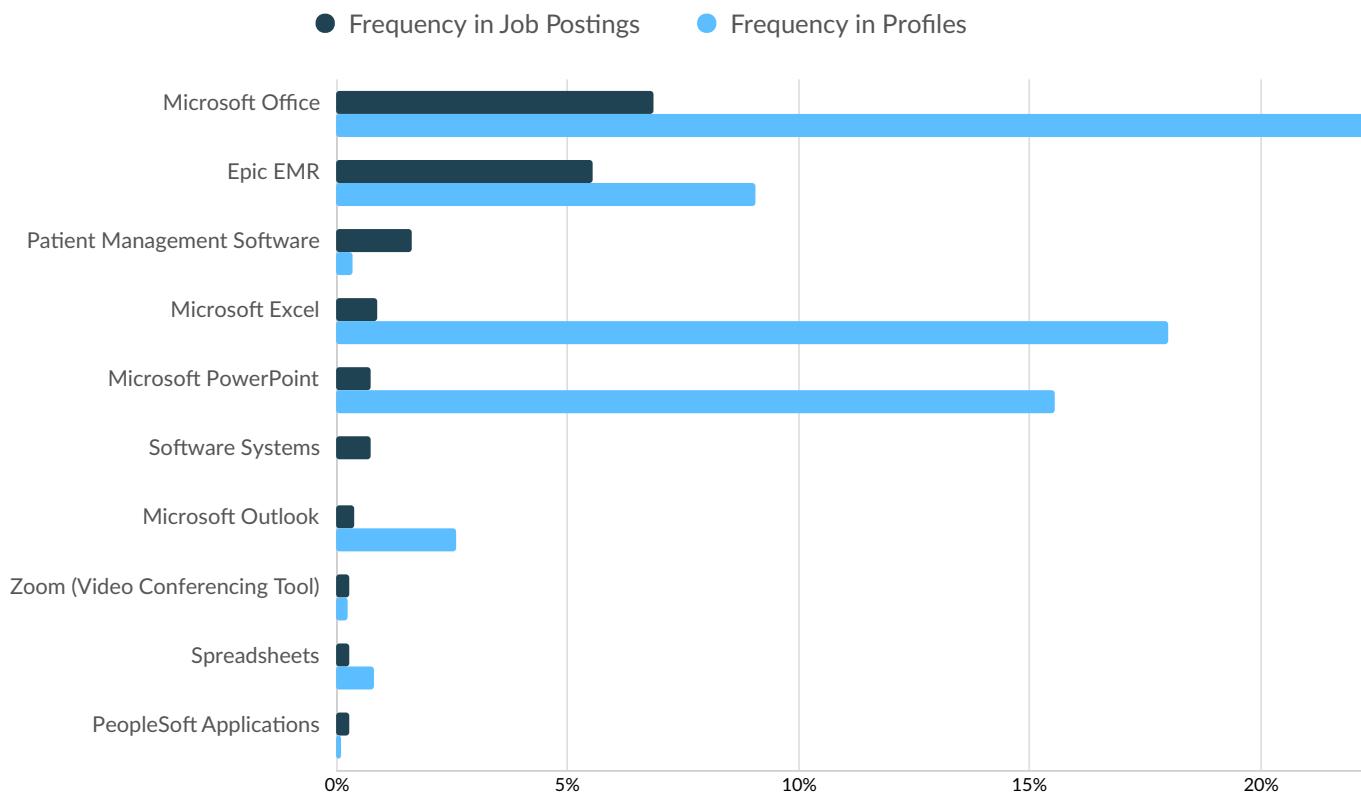
	Postings	% of Total Postings	Profiles	% of Total Profiles	Projected Skill Growth	Skill Growth Relative to Market
Nursing	33,938	91%	417	49%	+20.1%	Rapidly Growing
Nursing Care	23,849	64%	71	8%	+19.1%	Growing
Nursing Process	15,127	40%	30	4%	+24.2%	Rapidly Growing
Evidence-Based Practice	13,088	35%	44	5%	+7.6%	Stable
Medical Records	11,497	31%	81	10%	+12.5%	Growing
Clinical Practices	10,647	28%	21	2%	+13.5%	Growing
Nurse Education	10,533	28%	99	12%	+7.7%	Stable
Technical Procedure Compliance	9,502	25%	0	0%	0.0%	
Peer Review	9,463	25%	8	1%	+18.4%	Growing
Clinical Nursing	9,146	24%	93	11%	+14.3%	Growing

Top Common Skills



	Postings	% of Total Postings	Profiles	% of Total Profiles	Projected Skill Growth	Skill Growth Relative to Market
Leadership	15,979	43%	242	29%	+8.5%	Stable
Planning	15,370	41%	67	8%	+10.9%	Growing
Research	13,922	37%	565	67%	+17.2%	Growing
Teaching	13,627	36%	246	29%	+18.8%	Growing
Mentorship	11,684	31%	65	8%	+16.5%	Growing
Coordinating	9,648	26%	72	8%	+14.7%	Growing
Communication	8,639	23%	191	22%	+3.6%	Lagging
Lifting Ability	8,171	22%	0	0%	+10.6%	Growing
Management	8,016	21%	193	23%	+5.3%	Stable
Writing	7,996	21%	74	9%	+11.8%	Growing

Top Software Skills



	Postings	% of Total Postings	Profiles	% of Total Profiles	Projected Skill Growth	Skill Growth Relative to Market
Microsoft Office	2,576	7%	189	22%	+18.5%	Growing
Epic EMR	2,084	6%	77	9%	+16.4%	Growing
Patient Management Software	608	2%	3	0%	+18.5%	Growing
Microsoft Excel	334	1%	153	18%	+17.7%	Growing
Microsoft PowerPoint	285	1%	132	16%	+26.1%	Rapidly Growing
Software Systems	274	1%	0	0%	+11.9%	Growing
Microsoft Outlook	147	0%	22	3%	+25.0%	Rapidly Growing
Zoom (Video Conferencing Tool)	113	0%	2	0%	+13.1%	Growing
Spreadsheets	112	0%	7	1%	+22.2%	Rapidly Growing
PeopleSoft Applications	108	0%	1	0%	+16.7%	Growing

Top Qualifications

	Postings with Qualification
Registered Nurse (RN)	29,216
Basic Life Support (BLS) Certification	24,105
Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS) Certification	13,228
Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)	8,002
Nurse Practitioner (APRN-CNP)	7,853
Neonatal Resuscitation Program Certification (NRP)	6,595
Diploma In Nursing	6,513
National Council Licensure Examination	5,421
American Red Cross (ARC) Certification	4,543
Trauma Nurse Core Course (TNCC)	4,440

Appendix A

Top Posting Sources

Website	Postings on Website (Jan 2020 - Jun 2025)
indeed.com	8,845
dejobs.org	8,325
simplyhired.com	7,391
arkansasjobboard.com	6,741
mitalent.org	3,297
recruiternetworks.com	2,793
myworkdayjobs.com	2,531
usajobs.gov	2,103
federalgovernmentjobs.us	1,534
careerjet.com	1,101
disabledperson.com	993
denverrecruiter.com	936
glassdoor.com	819
nahnnet.org	792
msnurses.org	769
healthcaresource.com	761
latpro.com	748
peopleclick.com	607
hercjobs.org	543
higheredjobs.com	540
diversityjobs.com	504
detroitrecruiter.com	474
snagajob.com	462
froedtert.com	430
jobshark.com	376

Appendix B

Sample Postings

PhD Researchers – Endicott College in Beverly, MA (Jun 2025 - Active)

Chair, PhD Nursing Program

Link to Live Job Posting: www.higheredjobs.com

Location: Beverly, MA	O*NET: 29-1141.00
Company: Endicott College	Job Title: PhD Researchers

Chair, PhD Nursing Program Endicott College in Beverly, MA

Apply Now Type:

Full-Time

Posted:

06/09/2025

Category:

Nursing Chair, PhD Nursing Program Endicott College We are located approximately 20 miles north of Boston and parking is free. We are also accessible by commuter rail on the Newburyport/Rockport line. Come and explore Endicott's seaside locale where employees are an important part of the bustling campus community! Please apply today if this opportunity looks like the right fit for you. . Job Summary In collaboration with the Dean of Nursing, the Chair of the PhD Program is responsible for the leadership, daily operations, and strategic development of the doctoral program in nursing. This includes oversight of faculty, curriculum development, course scheduling, student advising, program evaluation, and accreditation compliance. The Chair plays a critical role in faculty mentorship, student success, and ensuring academic excellence aligned with the School of Nursing's mission and values. Key Outcomes 50% of

Time:

Teaching and Doctoral Committee Service Teach 6-12 workload credits annually in hybrid-format doctoral courses. Develop and revise doctoral-level nursing course content to meet academic standards. Use diverse assessment strategies to evaluate student performance across all courses. Serve as Chair on a minimum of 2 dissertation committees annually and participate as a member on others as needed. Maintain above-average or exemplary student course evaluations. Advise and guide PhD students through course completion and dissertation phases. 30% of

Time:

Academic Advising and Student Success Advise up to 30 PhD students, supporting their academic planning, progression, and success. Conduct orientation sessions for new advisees and maintain regular advising meetings (minimum twice per semester). Identify and support students at risk in collaboration with the Associate Dean. Provide timely responses to student inquiries (within 48 hours). Sustain at least 80% retention and graduation rates among advisees. Manage all components of the HRSA Nurse Faculty Loan Program (NFLP), including student advising and collaboration with Financial Aid. Participate in recruitment and enrollment activities to promote the PhD program. 10% of

Time:

Faculty Supervision and Program Operations Collaborate with the Associate Dean to recruit, hire, train, supervise, and evaluate part-time faculty and academic advisors. Ensure alignment of Canvas-based course delivery with school standards. Use student course evaluations to drive continuous instructional improvement. Oversee advisor training and best practices in academic advising, including use of Degree Audit

and STELLIC systems.10% of

Time:

Scholarship and Professional Engagement Maintain a consistent record of scholarly contributions in the field of doctoral nursing education. Represent the School of Nursing at local, state, and national conferences and in academic publications. Actively participate in professional organizations and serve on internal committees, including the AGC Committee and at least two additional institutional committees annually. Perform other duties as assigned. Core Competencies Reliability able to get the job done, available, and engaged with the job and the Endicott community Organization Organizes time and resources well so that work is done efficiently and on time Communication Skills has clear, effective, and efficient ways of communicating, both orally and in writing Adaptability shows a willingness to adopt new ideas and to do things differently Follow Through takes ownership of projects and sees them through fruition Customer Service The employee anticipates the needs and responds to queries in a timely, competent, and approachable manner Initiative/Personal Leadership identifies opportunities for improvement and actively contributes to solutions Team Player shows a willingness to collaborate and share information, knowledge, and experience with team members

Qualifications Required:

Current Registered Nurse (RN) license in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Earned **PhD** in Nursing from an accredited institution. Strong record of scholarly work and professional service in nursing. Demonstrated excellence in teaching, including online and hybrid modalities at the doctoral level. Proven ability to mentor graduate and doctoral students. Commitment to inclusive education and advancing social justice in academic settings. High-level organizational and time management skills. Proficiency with MS Office, Google Suite, and Canvas LMS.

Preferred:

Experience in academic program administration or leadership. Experience supporting non-traditional and adult learners in higher education.

Effective Date of Current Version:

May, 2025 To apply, please visit: https://endicott.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/en-US/Endicott/job/Endicott-College-Main-Campus/Chair-PhD-Nursing-Program_

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PhD PROGRAM COORD, SENIOR - DUKE SCHOOL OF NURSING

Link to Live Job Posting: Posting is no longer active

Location: Durham, NC	O*NET: 29-1141.00
Company: Duke University	Job Title: School Program Coordinators

PhD

PROGRAM COORD, SENIOR - DUKE SCHOOL OF NURSING

Requisition Number:

: 86188

Date:

Dec 21, 2020

Location:

Durham, NC, US, 27710

Personnel Area:

MEDICAL CENTER

School of Nursing:

Established in 1931, Duke University School of Nursing is among the top ranked of the nations nursing schools. The School is proud of its overarching commitment to transform the future of nursing to advance health in individuals, families and communities. Members of the School of Nursing are part of an inclusive community that supports the professional goals of its people as they pursue excellence. Comprised of 1,600 faculty, staff,instructors and students, the Duke University School of Nursing along with the Duke University School of Medicine and Duke University Health System create Duke Health. Duke Health is a world-class health care network. Founded in 1998 to provide efficient, responsive care, the health system offers a full network of health services and encompasses Duke University Hospital, Duke Regional Hospital, Duke Raleigh Hospital, Duke Primary Care, Private Diagnostic Clinic, Duke Home and Hospice, Duke Health and Wellness, and multiple affiliations. Overview of the

Position:

Using independent judgment and discretion, the incumbent provides a high level of administrative, financial and academic support to the Assistant Dean of the **PhD** Program, Admissions Committee and Program Committee. They are responsible for overseeing **PhD** student admissions, monitoring financial aid, fellowships, loans and grants. The incumbent will oversee preliminary and dissertation examination program work. Schedules calendar events to ensure timely completion of Program activities in accordance with expectations and deadlines of the Duke Graduate School, university offices of the Bursar, Registrars, Admissions, Student Loans, Financial Aid and Student Affairs, as well as the School of Nursing Deans Office and the offices of Finance, Academic Affairs, Research and Students Services.

supervisor:

This position reports to the Assistant Dean for the **PhD** Program. **PhD** Administrative Support

- Based on a broad knowledge of DUSON, the Duke Graduate School and other University departmental rules and procedures, determine the content and nature of requests; answer, resolve, refer questions and issues as appropriate.
- Serve as liaison for the Assistant Dean of the **PhD** Program with other University offices, faculty, students, staff and external contacts as needed. Disseminate and relay information, concerns, and procedural decisions as needed. Provide the Office of Academic Affairs with accurate information on **PhD** course schedules.
- Provide counsel to the Assistant Dean of the **PhD** Program on all administrative issues associated with the Graduate School policies. Independently resolve minor issues and when necessary bring major issues to the Assistant Dean for resolution.
- Ensure smooth functioning of the office and achievement of **PhD** Program goals and priorities in concert with those of DUSON and the Graduate School.
- Manage the Assistant Dean of the **PhD** Programs calendar and coordinate with other complex schedules within and beyond the School.
- Manage routine daily operations of the **PhD** Program. Collaborate with the Assistant Dean and other School officials and staff in developing, implementing, coordinating and monitoring systems and procedures for administrative support functions in compliance with University and Graduate School policies and procedures.
- Organize and coordinate support functions to ensure smooth flow of high quality Program output in an efficient and productive manner.
- Anticipate and assess meeting and agenda needs and plan accordingly. Maintain commitment/follow-up files and initiate actions as appropriate in a timely manner. Compile, organize background and research materials necessary in preparation for meetings and events.
- Monitor status of projects and open issues and facilitate coordination of all activities.
- Ensure electronic and hard copy recruitment materials, and program information and application procedure are up-to-date and available for applicants, faculty and other interested individuals.
- Maintain Graduate Studies Handbook and as policies and text changes, review proposed changes with Assistant Dean and initiate revisions as needed.
- Support the Assistant Dean of the **PhD** Program by coordinating administrative management of course changes (additions, revisions, deletions), ensuring that courses are scheduled on day and time that does not interfere with graduate students and other course commitments and responsibilities.
- Maintain database management systems to track inquiries, applicants, student progression, etc.
- Coordinate graduate student registration, ensuring students have accurate information on course offerings, pre- and co-requisite requirements for courses, course access numbers, and are in compliance with Program / Graduate School regulations.
- Establish and maintain individual student database and monitor program progression for each student.
- Collect Graduate Faculty appointment materials and submit Chair recommendations for Regular and Ad Hoc Status to Office of the Graduate School Dean for Review Approval.
- Provide supervision and assistance to the **PhD** Program Staff Assistant. **PhD** Student Recruitment, Admission and Progression
- Assist in planning, developing and implementing recruitment documents and strategies for **PhD** applicants.
- Work with the Assistant Dean of the **PhD** Program and DUSON Student Services to participate in School Open House sessions to meet with prospective students for question and answer session.
- Organize and distribute information packets to prospective students by email and mail. Describe admission procedures/programs/faculty research interests, etc. to prospective students (via phone, correspondence, or when student is visiting campus).
- Serve as point person for prospective students, applicants, and others seeking information on admission standards, funding, application processes, etc.

Monitor and screen all correspondence for the **PhD** Program inquiries and respond to all based on complexity, sensitivity and significance of the questions. Where appropriate, refer correspondence to the Assistant Dean or other **PhD** Faculty based on the areas of study interest in regards to the inquiry.

- Maintain database management systems to track inquiries, applicants, student progression, etc. Maintain applicants folders, keeping them updated, ensuring that each has been reviewed, proper action taken once Committee decision is made (reject, invite for prospective students invitation day, phone interviews for international students, admission, waitlist, etc.).
- Orient new Admissions Committee members and

PhD student representative to admissions procedures and deadlines (e.g., applicant status, Graduate School Admissions folders, visitation schedules, final decision meetings). Coordinate Committee meetings with Graduate School deadlines to ensure that Committee and Graduate

School can meet each others expectations.

- Coordinate all aspects of applicant visits, lodging, interviews, meals and travel related to prospective students Campus Visitation each spring semester.
- Prepare applicant review packets for each committee member including applicants, transcripts, scores, letters of reference and Personal Statement. Coordinate all aspects of prospective student visits and interviews with Graduate School representatives.
- Collaborate with the Assistant Dean to develop letters to prospective students, award letters for funding notice, procedural manuals, directives and related records.
- Articulate New **PhD** Student Orientation with mandatory Graduate School orientation sessions.
- Orient faculty to Graduate School policies and procedures governing **PhD** Student Progression. Schedule **PhD** student Preliminary Examination and Dissertation Defense examinations. Submit required paperwork for documenting achievement to the Graduate School. Financial Management
- Collaborate with the Assistant Dean of the **PhD** Program in development of the **PhD** Program annual budget and attend DUSON and Graduate School budget meetings with Assistant Dean as needed.
- Prepare reimbursement forms to submit to our business office and submit detailed reporting to the Graduate School for expenses.
- Provide DUSON Center for Nursing Research with current information on Graduate School tuition fees and stipends and collaboration in preparation of extramural training grant applications from federal sources (e.

g., NRSA Individual Pre-doctoral Fellowships [F31] and the National Institute of Nursing Research Institutional Research Training Grants [T32]) as well as private agencies who support graduate nursing education e.g., Hartford Foundation.

- Track, verify, monitor and reconcile Graduate Awards budget and manage funded training grants (tuition, fees, stipends, education / research-related travel), providing data to DUSON business office on object codes. Prepare monthly, quarterly and annual expense and disbursement request reports for DUSON and the Graduate School.
- Orient DUSON **PhD** students and Faculty to available Graduate School financial support for student conference attendance and assist with submission of requests.
- Establish payroll and employment for graduate students when necessary, coordinating with other University departments administration.
- Prepare regular, special reports and annual budget reports that must be submitted to the Graduate School, our business office, etc.

Analyze Program budgets and bring budget variance / expenditures to the Assistant Deans attention as needed.

Education/Training requirements:

Work requires analytical, communication and organizational skills. A minimum of three years of graduate admissions/marketing experience and program management experience preferably in a college or university setting.

Experience:

Work requires three years of experience in an administration/management capacity preferably involving academia and including, grant administration and skills and knowledge to provide program operational support. Must have excellent understanding of the complexities of operating across various departments within Duke University. The position requires excellent program management/coordination, organizational, logistics, and planning skills. Strong people management and development skills are crucial. Additionally, the position requires strong interpersonal, cross-cultural, and communication skills in order to interact effectively with faculty, students, administrators, Duke University offices, outside vendors, and office personnel. The ability to make independent judgments in situations with a high level of ambiguity is critical. Duke is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer committed to providing employment opportunity without regard to an individual's age, color, disability, gender, gender expression, gender identity, genetic information, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status. Duke aspires to create a community built on collaboration, innovation, creativity, and belonging. Our collective success depends on the robust exchange of ideas an exchange that is best when the rich diversity of our perspectives, backgrounds, and experiences flourishes. To achieve this exchange, it is essential that all members of the community feel secure and welcome, that the contributions of all individuals are respected, and that all voices are heard. All members of our community have a responsibility to uphold these values.

Essential Physical Job Functions:

Certain jobs at Duke University and Duke University Health System may include essential job functions that require specific physical and/or mental abilities. Additional information and provision for requests for reasonable accommodation will be provided by each hiring department.

Nearest Major Market:

Durham

Nearest Secondary Market:

Raleigh

Home Health Registered Nurse

Link to Live Job Posting: Posting is no longer active

Location: Hayden, ID	O*NET: 29-1141.00
Company: Panhandle Health District	Job Title: Home Health Registered Nurses

Home Health Registered Nurse Panhandle Health District Hayden, ID 83835 Job details Salary \$28 - \$31 an hour Job Type Part-time Number of hires for this role 1 Qualifications

- RN License (Required) Full Job Description Home Health Registered Nurse Hayden, Idaho Panhandle Health District (PHD) Home Health is searching for an experienced registered nurse to serve the needs of home bound patients. PHD's Home Health team of nurses and therapists serve the needs of home bound patients throughout the five northern counties of Idaho. PHD Home Health supports health equity by serving patients and population groups regardless of their social, economic, demographic, and geographic status and backgrounds.

Responsibilities include:

- Ensure patients are equitably provided the very best medical care.
- Develop an understanding of Home Health standards of care associated with the Idaho Bureau of Facility Standards
- Participate in quality-of-care projects associated with patient care.
- Interface with Home Health revenue cycle management team
- Become familiar with

PHD's Home Health electronic health record system.

Desired qualifications:

- Registered Nurse with 1-3 years of experience
- Ability to work in a team environment
- Strong desire to serve the Public Health needs of North Idaho residents This is a full-time, permanent position offering a competitive hourly wage and is fully benefited.

PHD team members enjoy state of Idaho employee benefits including excellent health, dental, disability and life insurance benefits, and generous holiday, sick and vacation leave. In addition, PHD offers excellent matching retirement benefits that nearly doubles employee contributions. PHD provides a vehicle for travel and covers all travel expenses. Interested applicants may apply on-line at www.dhr.idaho.gov, from the Job Seekers tab, search for Registered Nurse. Interested applicants must apply by June 29, 2021. EEO/AA/Veterans Preference.

Job Type:

Part-time Pay:

\$28.00 - \$31.00 per hour

Benefits:

- 401(k)
- Dental insurance
- Disability insurance
- Flexible schedule

- Flexible spending account
- Free parking
- Health insurance
- Life insurance
- Paid time off
- Prescription drug insurance
- Tuition reimbursement
- Vision insurance

Medical Specialty:

Home Health Schedule:

- 8 hour shift

Supplemental Pay:

- Overtime pay

Experience:

Home Health:

1 year (Preferred)

License/Certification:

- RN License (Required)

Work Location:

- Multiple locations

Work Remotely:

- No

Chair, PhD Nursing Program

Link to Live Job Posting: Posting is no longer active

Location: Beverly, MA	O*NET: 29-1141.00
Company: Endicott College	Job Title: PhD Researchers

Chair, PhD Nursing Program Endicott College Beverly, MA 01915 Job details Job Type Full-time Part-time Full Job Description The School of Nursing at Endicott College is a close-knit community of nurse educators who care deeply about the preparation of nurses at all levels. Endicott is located in the beautiful seaside town of Beverly, MA - a wonderful place to work and enjoy all that the Northshore of Boston has to offer. Endicott Colleges School of Nursing is seeking a collaborative and insightful Chair of PhD Nursing Program to serve as an interface between faculty and the administration. With direction from the Associate Dean of Nursing, the Chair of PhD Nursing Program is responsible for managing the daily operations of the PhD Nursing Program. This includes supervising and mentoring full and part-time faculty, developing curriculum, programming, course offerings, program evaluation, and accreditation. Student enrollment, academic progress, and retention is the responsibility of the FNP Chair. In this position, the Chair will teach 6-12 workload credit of hybrid courses a year at the doctoral level and advises PhD nursing students

Qualifications:

- Current license as a Registered Nurse in Massachusetts;
- An earned PhD in Nursing;
- Experience in the administration or leadership of a program within a college or university is preferred;
- Commitment to inclusive education and developing cultural competencies among graduate students with a lens toward social justice education;
- Documented record of academic scholarship in nursing;
- Demonstrated ability to mentor students, particularly at the doctoral levels;
- Evidence of outstanding teaching competencies, including online at the doctoral level;
- Evidence of a commitment to service;
- Active participation in professional organizations;
- Excellent interpersonal and collaborative skills with high interest in working with non-traditional and adult students;
- Self-directed with excellent organizational skills;
- Being detailed-oriented and student centered, are essential to the position;
- Strong computer experience, which must include abilities to work effectively with MS Office suite products, i.e. Word, Excel, Power-Point and Google Suite and Canvas Learning Management System. Endicott celebrates diversity and strives to bring a mix of talented people?representing a variety of backgrounds, perspectives, and skills?together to do their best work. The more inclusive we are, the better our work will be. We look forward to hearing from you. PbfgjUtiSz

Home Health Registered Nurse

Link to Live Job Posting: Posting is no longer active

Location: Hayden, ID	O*NET: 29-1141.00
Company: State of Idaho	Job Title: Home Health Registered Nurses

Home Health Registered Nurse State of Idaho Hayden, ID Job details Job Type Full-time Full Job Description Description Panhandle Health District **PHD** Home Health is searching for an experienced registered nurse to serve the needs of home bound-patients living in Benewah and Shoshone counties of northern Idaho. **PHD** Home Health's team of nurses and therapists serve the needs of home bound patients throughout the five northern counties of Idaho. **PHD** Home Health supports health equity by serving patients and population groups regardless of their social, economic, demographic, and geographic status and backgrounds. The ideal candidate will have 1-3 years of experience, the ability to work in a team environment, and a strong desire to serve the Public Health needs of North Idaho residents. There is a full time, permanent position offering a competitive hourly wage and is fully benefited. **PHD** team members enjoy state of Idaho employee benefits including excellent health, dental, disability and life insurance benefits, and generous holiday, sick and vacation leave. In addition, **PHD** offers excellent matching retirement benefits that nearly doubles employee contributions. **PHD** provides a vehicle for travel and covers all travel expenses.

Example of Duties Responsibilities include:

- Ensure patients are equitably provided the very best medical care.
- Develop an understanding of Home Health standards of care associated with the Idaho Bureau of Facility Standards.
- Participate in quality-of-care projects associated with patient care.
- Interface with Home Health revenue cycle management team.
- Become familiar with electronic health record system.

Minimum Qualifications Licensed as a Professional or Registered Nurse in Idaho as defined by Idaho Code 54-1408 or state licensure as a Registered Nurse pursuant to the Nurse Licensure Compact, Idaho Code 54-1418, in one of the following compact states: Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Carolina, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, or Wisconsin. Supplemental Information District vehicles are provided for making home visits. The selected candidate must pass a background check as a condition of employment. Public health employees must be willing to participate in public health emergency preparedness activities and training and may be asked to perform activities within their skill levels that are not part of their normal jobs. During emergency situations, employees may be asked to work hours outside of the normal work day to assist with emergency response activities. To read more about Panhandle Health District, visit: <https://panhandlehealthdistrict.org/> Hiring is done without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age or disability. In addition, preference may be given to veterans who qualify under state and federal laws and regulations. If you need special accommodations to satisfy testing requirements, please contact the Division of Human Resources.

Appendix C - Data Sources and Calculations

Lightcast Job Postings

Job postings are collected from various sources and processed/enriched to provide information such as standardized company name, occupation, skills, and geography.

Occupation Data

Emsi occupation employment data are based on final Emsi industry data and final Emsi staffing patterns. Wage estimates are based on Occupational Employment Statistics (QCEW and Non-QCEW Employees classes of worker) and the American Community Survey (Self-Employed and Extended Proprietors). Occupational wage estimates are also affected by county-level Emsi earnings by industry.

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

<i>Institution</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Degree/Field of Study</i>	<i>Year</i>
Northeastern University	Boston, MA	Ph.D. in Nursing	2019
Northeastern University	Boston, MA	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	2013
University of Phoenix	Boston, MA	Master of Healthcare Administration & Education	2010
University of New Hampshire	Durham, NH	Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry	2007

Dissertation: Decision-Making among Individuals at-risk for Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer Syndrome (HBOC)

LICENSURES

	<i>Status</i>
State of Maine RN License (Multistate): RN77962	Active
State of Massachusetts RN License: RN2338964	Active

Certifications/Additional Training

2025	Professional NIH Grant Development Workshop, National Institutes of Health (16.0 contact hours)
2017	Summer Genetics Institute Training, National Institute of Nursing Research, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD (8.0 hours of graduate-level college credit)
2016	ONS/ONCC Chemotherapy Biotherapy Certificate Course (15.0 contact hours)

EMPLOYMENT

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS:

2022 -	Associate Director , School of Nursing, University of Maine, Orono, ME 04469
2019 -	Affiliated Faculty , University of Maine Institute of Medicine, Orono, ME 04469
2019 -	Affiliated Faculty , University of Maine Graduate School, Orono, ME 04469
2024	Interim Director (May-August) , School of Nursing, University of Maine, Orono, ME 04469

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:

2024 -	Associate Professor , School of Nursing, University of Maine, Orono, ME 04469
2018 - 2024	Assistant Professor , School of Nursing, University of Maine, Orono, ME 04469
2019 - 2023	Part-time Faculty , NRSG2150: <i>Healthcare Ethics integrating Genomics</i> , Bouvé College of Health Sciences, School of Nursing, Northeastern University, Boston MA 02115
2019 - 2020	Part-time Faculty , HLTH2000: <i>Foundations of Coordinated Patient Care</i> , Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Boston MA 02115
2018 - 2019	Part-time Faculty , <i>Healthcare Ethics HLTH 1510 - RN to BSN Program</i> , Bouvé College of Health Sciences, School of Nursing, Northeastern University, Boston MA 02115
2017 - 2019	Part-time Faculty , <i>Statistics for Health Sciences NRSG 5120-Nursing</i> , Bouvé College of Health Sciences, School of Nursing, Northeastern University, Boston MA 02115

Curriculum Vitae

2017- 2018 **Part-time Faculty**, *Healthcare Informatics NRSG 6306- RN to BSN Program*, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, School of Nursing, Northeastern University, Boston MA 02115

Fall, 2014 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, *Pathophysiology for Nurses (NRSG2313)*, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Boston MA

2013 – 2014 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, *Innovations in Interprofessional Oral Health*, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Boston MA

2008 – 2012 **Science Teacher**, grades 9-12, Pinkerton Academy, Derry NH

2008 – 2010 **Science Teacher** 9-12 (summer), Salem State College, Salem Massachusetts

2007 – 2008 **Biology Teacher**, Wilmington High School, Wilmington Massachusetts

2005 – 2007 **Teaching Assistant**, Biology & Chemistry, University of New Hampshire, Durham NH

RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS:

2024 - **Associate Professor** (50% admin /25% teaching/25% research contract), School of Nursing, University of Maine, Orono, ME 04469

2019 - **Consultant & Medical Writer**, Maine Genomics Cancer Initiative, Jackson Laboratories, Bar Harbor, ME 04609

2022 - 2024 **Assistant Professor** (50% admin /25% teaching /25% research contract), School of Nursing, University of Maine, Orono, ME 04469

2018 - 2022 **Assistant Professor** (75% teaching/25% research contract), School of Nursing, University of Maine, Orono, ME 04469

2015 - 2019 **Sponsored Employee & Affiliate**, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Phyllis F. Cantor Center for Research in Nursing and Patient Care Services, Boston MA 02215

2017 - 2019 **Senior Graduate Research Assistant**, *Self-Management of Hypertension LifestyleBehaviors Using a Smartphone EMA/I App with Older Adult Black Women*, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Boston MA 02115 (PI: B. Douglas)

2016 – 2019 **Senior Graduate Research Assistant**, *Electronic and Tobacco Cigarettes Use Among Individuals At-High Risk for Lung Cancer: A NUCare Pilot Study*, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Boston MA 02115 (PI: H. Poghosyan)

2015 – 2016 **Graduate Research Assistant**, *PhD in Nursing Program*, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Boston MA 02115

2014 – 2015 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, *Innovations in Interprofessional Oral Health Program*, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Boston MA 02115 (PI: T. Fulmer, M. Dolce)

2013 – 2014 **Graduate Research Assistant**, *Interprofessional Research, Education & Practice (iPREP)*, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Boston MA (PI: S. Mohammed)

2005 – 2007 **Research Assistant**, Laudano Laboratory, University of New Hampshire, Durham NH

2006 (summer) **Research Assistant**, Laudano – Stern Laboratory, Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven CT

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

2024 - **Principal Investigator**, University of Maine School of Nursing, Invited Earmark supported by Congress: *Expanding Maine's Nursing Workforce Pipeline: Launching Maine's First Ph.D. in Nursing*, Orono Maine, 04469

2019 - **Consultant & Medical Writer**, Maine Genomics Cancer Initiative, Jackson Laboratories, Bar Harbor Maine 04609

2021 - 2024 **Principal Investigator**, University of Maine - Roux Institute Northeastern University Seed Grant – United States Nursing Workforce, Portland, Maine 04101

2018 – 2020 **Principal Investigator**, American Cancer Society Grant, Northeastern University, Boston MA 02115

2015 – 2019 **Senior Graduate Research Assistant**, P20- NR015320-01, Northeastern Center for Technology in Support of Self-Management & Health, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Boston MA

2016 - 2017 **Oncology Research Nurse**, Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center- Norris Cotton Cancer Center, Lebanon NH

2015 - 2016 **PhD in Nursing Research Practicums** under advisement of Donna Berry, PhD, RN, AOCN, FAAN and Meghan Underhill-Blazey, PhD, RN, AOCNS, Dana Farber Cancer Institute,

Curriculum Vitae

	Boston MA
2014 – 2016	Jonas Nurse Leader PhD Scholar , <i>Interprofessional Collaborative Practice & Education among Undergraduates in Healthcare majors</i> , under advisement of Elizabeth Howard, PhD, MSN, School of Nursing, Northeastern University, Boston MA
Fall 2014	PhD in Nursing Research Practicum , Breast Cancer Lymphedema Study under advisement of AnneMarie Flores, PhD, PT, CLT, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Boston MA
2005 – 2007	Undergraduate Research Assistant , UNH/Yale Co-Lab, University of New Hampshire, Durham NH and Yale University, New Haven, CT

NON-ACADEMIC AND CLINICAL APPOINTMENTS:

2019 -	Consultant & Medical Writer , Maine Genomics Cancer Initiative, Jackson Laboratories, Bar Harbor Maine 04609
2015 – 2019	Sponsored Employee , Dana Farber Cancer Institute, Phyllis F. Cantor Center for Research in Nursing and Patient Care Services, Boston MA
2016 - 2017	Oncology Research Nurse , Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center- Norris Cotton Cancer Center, Lebanon NH
2012 – 2014	Nursing student , Boston MA
2004- 2009	Licensed Nursing Assistant , Merrimack Hospice House, Merrimack, NH
2003 – 2010	Licensed Nursing Assistant , Home Health & Hospice Care, Nashua NH; Granite State Anesthesia, Nashua NH

RESEARCH and GRANTS

Awarded to date (2/2025) as Principal Investigator: \$3,740,000.00

Date	Role	Title	Agency	Type	Amount
2024	PI	Expanding Maine's Nursing Workforce Pipeline: Launching Maine's First Ph.D. in Nursing	Earmark (invited)	Extramural	\$3,100,000.00 (funded)
2023	PI	Establishment of Interdisciplinary Student Support for Chemistry, Microbiology, and Nursing at the University of Maine	University of Maine System (UMS)	Intramural	\$24,012.00 (unfunded)
2023	PI	Adult Learners Grant – Masters in Nursing Program	University of Maine System (UMS)	Intramural	\$10,000.00 (funded)
2022	PI	Helene Fuld Health Trust	HSBC Private Bank	Extramural	\$550,000.00 (funded)
2022	Co-PI	<i>Letter of Intent: Structural Ruralism: Exploring Innovative Strategies to Improve Rural Food Security and Access to Health Services</i>	Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	Extramural	\$350,000.00 (not chosen)
2022	PI	Climate & Culture: Understanding Social Determinants of Health in Rural Maine Coastal Communities	AACN Faculty Scholars Program	Extramural	\$25,000.00 (unfunded)
2022	Co-PI	Improving educational practices surrounding current genetic and genomic techniques in healthcare for a cohort of undergraduate learners	International Society of Nurses in Genetics (ISONG)	Extramural (Education grant)	\$2,000.00 (unfunded)
2022	PI	3rd Annual UMS Nursing Research Symposium: Fostering Inter-campus Collaborations in Nursing Research Across the State of Maine	Davis Education Foundation (UMS Mini-Grants)	Intramural	\$10,000.00 (unfunded)
2021-2022	Co-PI	The Nursing Workforce Shortage in Maine & Massachusetts and the Development of a Multi-state Collaborative Health Sciences Research Pathway: A Mixed Methods	Northeastern University / UMaine Seed Grant	Intramural	\$50,000.00 (funded)

Curriculum Vitae

		Approach			
2021	PI	The Intersection of Genomics Nursing Science and Technology with Personalized Medicine: An Opportunity to Diversify the Nursing Workforce to Advance Health Equity among Underrepresented Populations	National Institutes of Health - Division of Loan Repayment Program	Extramural	\$100,000 (unfunded)
2021	Co-PI	Social Determinants of Health Facing the Maine Population – A Crisis Pending	Institute of Medicine / UMaine Seed Grant	Intramural	\$25,000.00 (unfunded)
2021	PI	Advancing Genomics in Healthcare to an Entire Community of Undergraduate Learners Through an Interprofessional Collaborative Practice Framework	International Society of Nurses in Genetics (ISONG)	Genomic Education Project Grant	\$750.00 (unfunded)
2018 -2020	PI	Exploring the Decision-Making Process in HBOC Genetic Testing (DSCN- 18- 070-1- SCN)	American Cancer Society	Extramural	\$30,000.00 (funded)
2020	Contributer	Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Nursing Program at the University of Maine School of Nursing	Define Tomorrow Initiative (UMaine)	Intramural-University Challenge	----- Unawarded
2019	PI	Understanding exposure to pollutants and its effects on epigenetic variation among a rural population at risk for hereditary cancers	PEW Scholars Program in Biomedical Sciences	Not Funded	----- Unawarded
2017	PI	Decision-making in individuals offered genetic testing for Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer risk	Oncology Nursing Society	Extramural	\$5,000.00 (unfunded)
2016	Contributor (*SGA)	Northeastern Center for Technology in Support of Self-Management & Health (1-P20 NR015320-01) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-Management of Hypertension Lifestyle Behaviors Using a Smartphone EMA/I App in Older Adult Black Women • Electronic and Tobacco Cigarette Use Among Individuals at High Risk for Lung Cancer 	National Institutes of Nursing Research	Extramural	\$1,469,950.00 (funded)
2014	Contributor (*SGA)	Innovations in Interprofessional Oral Health Program	DentaQuest Foundation	Extramural	\$2,000,000.00 (funded)

*SGA: Stipend graduate assistantships in research

TRAINING GRANTS

Date	Role	Title	Agency	Type	Amount
2017	Awardee	Summer Genetics Institute Trainee	National Institute of Nursing Research	Extramural	\$25,000.00 (funded)
2014	Awardee	The Jonas Nurse Leaders PhD Scholars Program	Jonas Center for Nursing & Veterans Healthcare	Extramural	\$36,466.00 (funded)

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MEDIA, NEWS, AND PUBLISHED ONLINE-CONTENT:

Bangor Daily News. (2023). [UMaine School of Nursing receives \\$500k for graduate scholarships.](#)

Role: Principal Investigator

University of Maine News. (2023). [UMaine School of Nursing receives \\$550K for graduate scholarships](#)

Role: Principal Investigator

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Role: Principal Investigator

Maine Cancer Genomics Initiative, Education & Learning, Jackson Laboratories. (2019). [Somatic versus germline testing.](#)

Role: Medical Writer & Consultant

Maine Cancer Genomics Initiative, Education & Learning, Jackson Laboratories. (2019). [Overview of PARP inhibition therapy and treatment options.](#)

Role: Medical Writer & Consultant

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

BOOK CHAPTER(S):

Robinson, K. (2022). Population-based genetics. In K. Subasic (Ed). *Fast facts on genetics and genomics for nurses: practical applications*. Springer Publishing. <https://www.springerpub.com/fast-facts-on-genetics-and-genomics-for-nurses-9780826175724.html#authors>

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Robinson, K., Rodday, AM., Dias, R., Strout, K., Peary, A., Johnson, R., Rao, V., Board, R., Olivieri-Mui, B. (2025). Motivations and Barriers regarding Higher Nursing Education among the Northeast Nursing Workforce. *Journal of Professional Nursing*. Under Review.

Peary, A., **Robinson, K.**, Strout, K., McNulty, J., & Bonnet, J. (2025). Insights into School-Based Physical Activity Implementation Strategies During the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Thematic Analysis. *Journal of Child: Health, Care, and Development. In-press.*

Sibley, S., **Robinson, K.**, Fairman, J., Nye, C., Poirier, P., Strout, K. (2024). Preparing for Clinical Placements and Transition to Practice with Objective Structured Clinical Examinations: A Qualitative Study of Family Nurse Practitioner Students. *Clinical Simulation in Nursing*, 97(1), p. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ecns.2024.101636>.

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Robinson, K., Cavanaugh, R., Peary, A., Johnson, R., Dias, R., Baker, B., Rao, V., Strout, K., Board, R., Olivieri-Mui, B. (2023). An Analysis of Orientation and Preceptorship Influence on Nurse Job Satisfaction Across Two States. *Journal for Nurses in Professional Development*, 40(3): 149-155.

Olivieri-Mui, B., Rodday, A.M., Rao, V., Baker, B., Peary, A., Johnson, R., Dias, R., Board, R., Strout, K., **Robinson, K.** (2023). Who among nurses seeks advanced nursing degrees? A study of the US National Sample Survey of Registered Nurses. *Journal of Professional Nursing*, 50: 53-60.

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Dias, R., & **Robinson, K.**, Poirier, P. (2023). The Effect of Simulation on Nursing Student Perceptions of Readiness to Provide End-of-Life Care. *Journal of Palliative Care*, 25(6), E116-123.

Strout, K. Schwartz-Mette, R., McNamara, J., Parsons, K., Walsh, D., Bonnet, J., M. O'Brien, L., **Robinson, K.**, Sibley, S., Smith, A., Sapp, M., Sprague, L., Robinson, K.B., Henderson, A. (2023). WellNurse in Nursing Education to Promote Resilience and Reduce Burnout: Protocol for A Holistic Multidimensional Wellness Intervention and Longitudinal Research Study Design in Nurse Education in Practice. *JMIR Publications*, 12:e49020.

Robinson, K., & Saber, D. (2022). Obesity: Policy and practice recommendations for high risk populations influenced by COVID-19 pandemic. *mSystems*. American Society of Microbiology - Microbes and Social Equity Special Collection for *Plos One*. <https://doi.org/10.1128/msystems.00089-22>

Flores, A. M., Nelson, J., Andrews, L., Stephenson, R. G., **Robinson, K.**, Cheville, A., Sanders, A., Blot, W. J. (2020). Lymphedema signs, symptoms, and diagnosis in women who are in minority and low-income groups and have survived breast cancer. *Physical Therapy*, 100(3), 1-13. <https://doi.org/10.1093/ptj/pzaa002>

Poghosyan, H., Mello, S., **Robinson, K.**, Tan, A. (2020). Worry about the future health issues of smoking and intention to screen for lung cancer with low-dose computed tomography. *Cancer Nursing*. Advanced online publication. <https://doi.org/10.1097/NCC.0000000000000897>

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Under Review for Publication: Peer- Reviewed

- **Robinson, K.**, Guthrie, B., Underhill-Blazey, M., Kim, T., Todorova, I. (2023). Exploring the cancer genetic testing decision-making process among rural-residing individuals: A grounded theory approach. *Journal of Genetic Counseling*. Manuscript Under Review.

Non peer-reviewed Publications

- **Robinson, K.**, Guthrie, B. J., Underhill-Blazey, M., Kim, T. & Todorova, I. (2019). *Decision-making among Individuals at risk for Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer Syndrome* (Doctoral dissertation). Northeastern University, Boston MA, USA, ProQuest Dissertations Publishing. 13861107.

Manuscripts In-Preparation

1. **Robinson, K.**, Namujji, E., Rodday, AM., Dias, R., Olivieri-Mui, B. (2023). *A Secondary Analysis in Barriers to Obtaining Higher Nursing Education among nurses working in hospital care settings Across Two States*. Manuscript in preparation.

PRESENTATIONS—REGIONAL / NATIONAL / INTERNATIONAL

Date	Type	Title/author list	Conference Title, City/State	Refereed/ Invited
09/15/2024	Podium, International	The effect of simulation on nursing student perceptions of readiness to provide end of life care. Dias, R., Robinson, K. (2023).	Aging & Social Change: 14 th Interdisciplinary	Refereed

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			Conference, University of Galway, Ireland	
10/24/2023	Poster, Regional	Climate Survey among Northeast Nurses: Strategies to implement Higher Education into the Nursing Workforce. Robinson, K. , Rodday, AM., Dias, R., Strout, K., Peary, A., Johnson, R., Rao, V., Board, R., Olivieri-Mui, B. (2023).	Maine Research Symposium on Biomedical Science and Engineering	Refereed
11/6/2022	Poster, National	Characterizing nurses with higher degrees in Maine and Massachusetts using the National Sample Survey of Registered Nurses. Olivieri-Mui, B., Rodday, A.M., Rao, V., Baker, B., Peary, A., Johnson, R., Dias, R., Board, R., Strout, K., Robinson, K. (2022)	American Public Health Association Conference, Boston MA	Refereed
11/6/2022	Poster, National	Orientation and preceptors may not translate into job satisfaction among nurses in Maine and Massachusetts: A secondary analysis of the National Sample Survey of RNs. Robinson, K. , Cavanaugh, R., Peary, A., Johnson, R., Dias, R., Baker, B., Rao, V., Strout, K., Board, R., Olivieri-Mui, B. (2023).	American Public Health Association Conference, Boston MA	Refereed
11/4/2022	Poster, Regional	Characterizing nurses with higher degrees in Maine and Massachusetts using the National Sample Survey of Registered Nurses. Olivieri-Mui, B., Rodday, A.M., Rao, V., Baker, B., Peary, A., Johnson, R., Dias, R., Board, R., Strout, K., Robinson, K. (2022)	UMS Nursing Research Symposium	Refereed
11/4/2022	Poster, Regional	Orientation and preceptors may not translate into job satisfaction among nurses in Maine and Massachusetts: A secondary analysis of the National Sample Survey of RNs. Robinson, K. , Cavanaugh, R., Peary, A., Johnson, R., Dias, R., Baker, B., Rao, V., Strout, K., Board, R., Olivieri-Mui, B. (2023).	UMS Nursing Research Symposium	Refereed
10/28/2022	Poster, National	Reforming the School of Nursing Admissions Process through the Implementation of Holistic Review in a Public BSN Program. Robinson, K. , Walsh, D., Porter, J., Eremita, D., Ray, N., Etsy-Kendall, G., Strout, K.	AACN Diversity Symposium	Refereed
10/13/2022	Poster, Regional	Characterizing nurses with higher degrees in Maine and Massachusetts using the National Sample Survey of Registered Nurses. Olivieri-Mui, B., Rodday, A.M., Rao, V., Baker, B., Peary, A., Johnson, R., Dias, R., Board, R., Strout, K., Robinson, K. (2022)	UMaine Institute of Medicine 2022 Research Symposium, Portland Maine	Refereed
10/13/2022	Poster, Regional	Orientation and preceptors may not translate into job satisfaction among nurses in Maine and Massachusetts: A secondary analysis of the National Sample Survey of RNs. Robinson, K. , Cavanaugh, R., Peary, A., Johnson, R., Dias, R., Baker, B., Rao, V., Strout, K., Board, R.,	UMaine Institute of Medicine 2022 Research Symposium, Portland Maine	Refereed

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Olivieri-Mui, B. (2023).

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3/4/2021	Podium, International	Robinson, K. , Guthrie, B. J., Underhill-Blazey, M., Kim, T. & Todorova, I. (2021). Decision-making among Individuals at risk for Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer Syndrome (HBOC).	International Conference of Cancer Nursing, London, England.	Refereed
05/07/2019	Podium, Demonstration National	Douglas, B., Gordan, C., Robinson, K. , Khaghani, I., Eaton, M. & Tibbit, C., Li, Xuan, Jimison, H., Pavel, M., Guthrie, B. (2019). The NUCoach Platform: A Health Coaching System Approach to Nursing Research.	National Institutes of Nursing Research-Directors Meeting, Bethesda, Maryland.	Invited
04/04/2019	Podium, National	Douglas, B.M., Robinson, K. , Douglas, B. R., Eaton, M., Okoeka, G., Vath, V., Gordan, C., Guthrie, B. (2019). Self-Management of Hypertension Lifestyle Behaviors Using a Wearable device and a Smartphone App in Older Adult Black Women.	Eastern Nursing Research Society, Providence, Rhode Island	Refereed
11/15/2018	Symposium, National	Sceppa, C., Gordan, C., Howard, E., Robinson, K. , Poghosyan, H., Guthrie, B., (2018). The NUCare Center: Using Technology to Support Health Aging and Address Chronic Illness	The Gerontological Society of America, Boston, Massachusetts	Refereed
05/01/2018	Symposium, National	Guthrie, B., Jimison, H., Pavel, M., Sceppa, C., Fulmer, T., Douglas, B., Dykes, P., Howard, E., Poghosyan, H., Gordan, C., Khaghani, I., Li, Xuan, Robinson, K. , Eaton, M. & Tibbit, C. (2018). Northeastern Center on Technology in Support of Self-Management and Health, aka "NUCare."	National Institutes of Nursing Research-Directors Meeting, Bethesda, Maryland	Invited
05/17/2018	Poster, National	Robinson, K. & Underhill-Blazey, M. (2018). Factors Associated with Genetic Testing for Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer Syndrome (HBOC): An Integrative Review.	Oncology Nursing Society 43 rd Annual Congress, Washington D.C	Refereed
04/12/2018	Symposium, National	Guthrie, B., Jimison, H., Pavel, M., Sceppa, C., Fulmer, T., Douglas, B., Dykes, P., Howard, E., Poghosyan, H., Gordan, C., Khaghani, I., Li, Xuan, Robinson, K. , Eaton, M. & Tibbit, C. (2018). Precision Health – Preparing the Next Generation of Nurse Scientists.	Eastern Nursing Research Conference, Newark New Jersey	Refereed
05/4/2017	Poster, National	Underhill-Blazey, M., Habin, K., Lundquist, D., Robinson, K. , Boucher, J., Shannon, K. (2017). Result of the Implementation of a Nurse-led Program to Promote Genetic Testing in an Underserved Population.	Oncology Nursing Society 42 nd Annual Congress, Denver, Colorado	Refereed

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04/7/2017	Poster, National	Robinson, K. , Underhill-Blazey, M. (2017). Factors Associated with Genetic Testing for Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer Syndrome (HBOC): An Integrative Review	Eastern Nursing Research Society, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	Refereed
03/05/2016	Podium, Regional 1	Robinson, K. (2016). The Effects of Uncertainty, Self-Efficacy, and Psychological Distress with Genetic Testing Decisions Among First-Degree Relatives of Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer Syndrome: A Comparative Approach.	New England Doctoral Student Conference, Nashua New Hampshire	Refereed
04/08/2016	Poster, Regional	Robinson, K. , Ramirez, V., Kim, Y., Hlaing, A., Huey, K., Musler, J., O'Neil-Pirozzi, J., Carney, M., Day, L., Hamel, P., Young, A (2016). Model Interprofessional Experiential Education Program for Bouvé Freshman in Health Professional Students	RISE-EXPO, Northeastern University, Boston Massachusetts	Refereed
04/14/2016	Poster, Regional	Robinson, K. (2016). R.I.S.E: An Interprofessional Student-driven Model Transforming Healthcare Education by Fostering Collaborative Practice.	Eastern Nursing Research Society, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	Refereed
10/15/2015	Poster, Regional	Robinson, K. (2016). An Interprofessional Student-driven Committee, iRISE: Grassroots to Practice of the R.I.S.E. Model	Jonas Scholars Leadership Conference, Washington, D. C.	Refereed
09/25/2015	Podium, International	Flores, A. M., Nelson, J., Andrews, L., Tucker, K. T., Stephenson, R. G., Robinson, K. , Blot, W.J. (2015). Lymphedema signs, symptoms, self-reported diagnosis and referral to physical therapy among African American and low-income breast cancer survivors.	European Cancer Congress, Vienna, Austria	Refereed
04/09/2015	Poster, Regional	Robinson, K. , Mandal, S., & Jarmusz, L.(2015). An Interprofessional Student-driven Committee, iRISE: Grassroots to Practice of the R.I.S.E. Model at Bouvé College of Health Sciences at Northeastern University.	RISE-EXPO, Northeastern University, Boston Massachusetts	Refereed
02/01/2014	Podium, National 1	Dolce, M., Ring, P., Robinson, K. & Ranade, A. (2014). Integrating Interprofessional Oral Health Education in a Student-Faculty Collaborative Practice Clinic: An Interprofessional Faculty Toolkit.	Society for Student-Run Free Clinics, Nashville Tennessee	Refereed
04/28/2014	Poster, National	Dolce, M., Ranade, A. & Robinson, K. (2014). Teaming in Primary Care: An Interprofessional Education Faculty Toolkit	National Oral Health Conference, Dallas, Texas	Refereed
06/08/2014	Podium, National 1	Dolce, M., Mohammed, S. & Robinson, K. (2014). Interprofessional Research, Education & Practice (iPREP) by Design	All Together Better Health Conference, Pittsburgh, PA	Refereed

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06/08/2014	Poster, National	Robinson, K. , Jarmusz, L., Mandal, S. (2014). iRISE: Interprofessional Research, Innovate, Serve & Educate.	All Together Better Health Conference, Pittsburgh, PA	Refereed
06/08/2014	Podium, National 1	Dolce, M., Ring, P., Ranade, A., Robinson, K. & Lyde, C. (2014). Understanding Oral-Systemic Health and Culture: Bringing It All Together.	All Together Better Health Conference, Pittsburgh, PA	Refereed
11/12/2014	Podium, National 1	Dolce, M. & Robinson, K. (2014). Addressing Oral-Systemic Health Inequities in Native Americans: A Call to Action.	American Public Health Association, New Orleans, LA	Refereed

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

Date	Title	City/State	Refereed/ Invited
10/2019 – 2023	Robinson, K. Genomics in Nursing Healthcare: Past, Present & Future Trends. <i>(standing guest lecture each semester)</i>	ABSN Program, Northeastern University Burlington campus, Burlington MA	Invited
11/2019	Robinson, K. Hereditary Cancers: Healthcare Ethics, Genetic Testing, and Roles within Nursing	BSN Program-NUR413, University of Orono, Maine	Invited
02/2014	Robinson, K. Simulation Didactic: Teaming in Primary Care	Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Boston, MA.	Invited
09/2013	Dolce, M. & Robinson, K. Innovations in Interprofessional Oral Health: Technology, Instruction, Practice, and Service (TIPS)	Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Boston, MA	Invited

HONORS/AWARDS

Date	Award	Organization/Group
2025	Nominated, ELH Outstanding Service Award	University of Maine, College of Earth, Life & Health Science, Orono Maine
2022	Nursing Education in Maine Award (\$40,000.00)	FAME Education Division, Maine
2022	2022 University of Maine Faculty Mentor Impact Award	University of Maine, Orono Maine
2021	Nominated for University of Maine Faculty Mentorship Award	University of Maine, Orono Maine
2020	Bangor Saving Bank/LoRusso Proposal Award (\$2,500.00)	University of Maine, Orono Maine
2019	Selected as a participant in the University Grants Academy	University of Maine Office of Research Development

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2017	Intramural Research Training Award (\$25,000.00)	National Institute of Nursing Research, National Institutes of Health
2017	Kenerson Graduate Student Award (\$2,000.00)	Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Boston MA
2016	Outstanding Graduate Student Award in Experiential Learning	Northeastern University Boston MA
2015	The 2015 Barbara Goodfellow Award	Sigma Theta Tau International – Gamma Epsilon Chapter, Northeastern University, Boston MA
2014	Jonas Nurse Leaders PhD Scholar	Jonas Center for Nursing and Veterans Healthcare
2012	Vivian Allen Scholarship (\$5,000.00)	Northeastern University, Boston MA
2012	MediTech Info Scholarship (\$5,000.00)	Northeastern University, Boston MA

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & COMMUNITY SERVICE

Date	Organization	Role
<i>University of Maine</i>		
2025 – Present	University of Maine Graduate Board & College of Earth, Life, and Health Science Graduate Curriculum committees	Member
2020 – Present	Doctor of Physical Therapy Search Committee, University of Maine, Orono ME 04469	Member
2021 – Present	University of Maine System Research Symposium Planning Committee	Founding Member
2022 – Present	Project Advisory Committee, R25 to NIH/NIA, Division of Center on Aging	Member
2022 – Present	University of Maine System Research Council	Member
2021 – Present	University of Maine Institute of Medicine, Faculty Researcher	Member
2020 – 2022	The Associated Facilities of the University of Maine (AFUM) Scholarship & Recognition Committee, University of Maine, Orono Maine 04469	Member
2021 – 2022	University of Maine Diversity & Leadership Institute (UMLDI), Orono Maine 04469	Elected Member
2019 – 2020	Grants Academy, University of Maine, Orono ME 04469	Elected Member
<i>UMaine School of Nursing, Orono ME</i>		
2025 – Present	Graduate Faculty Committee and Curriculum Sub-committee	Chair
2022 – 2025	Undergraduate (BSN) Curriculum Committee, University of Maine School of Nursing, Orono ME 04469	Chair
2022 – Present	Graduate Curriculum Committee	Member
2022 – Present	Graduate Faculty	Member
2021 – Present	Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee, University of Maine School of Nursing, Orono ME 04469	Chair

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2021 – Present	University of Maine Diversity & Leadership Institute (UMDLI), Orono Maine 04469	Elected Member
2021 – Present	University of Maine System Nursing Research Symposium Planning	Founding Member

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	Committee	
2022-2023	Strategic Planning Committee	Chair
2019 – 2022	School of Nursing Search Committee, University of Maine, Orono ME 04469	Elected Chair
<i>Northeastern University, Boston MA</i>		
2013 – 2017	Interprofessional Research, Innovate, Serve & Educate (iRISE) Student Committee, Bouvé College of Health Sciences Northeastern University, Boston MA	Founding Member & Advisor
2014 – 2017	PhD in Nursing Committee, Bouvé College of Sciences, Northeastern University, Boston MA	Student Representative
2013 – 2016	Interprofessional Research, Education & Practice (iPREP) Committee, Bouvé College of Sciences, Northeastern University, Boston MA	Student Representative
<i>Community</i>		
2023 - Present	Advisory Committee on Racial Equity, Inclusion, and Human Rights, City of Bangor, Maine	Pending interview (10/6)
2022 – Present	Maine Area Health Education Network (AHEC) Advisory Committee	Member
2021	COVID-19 Vaccination Initiative, COVID-19 Vaccinator and Clinical Observer, The Cross Insurance Center, Northern Light Health	Volunteer
2018 – 2020	Caring Connections, Breast Cancer Support Group, Bangor Maine	Volunteer, as needed
2014 – 2018	Making Strides Against Breast Cancer, American Cancer Society, Manchester NH branch	Chair – weekly
2014 – 2017	American Red Cross	Volunteer
2005- 2007	Relay for Life, American Cancer Society, NH branch	Team leader, monthly

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PUBLICATION EDITORIAL BOARDS AND REVIEW:

Date	Journal or Publisher	Role
2023	Microbiology Systems - “ <i>Risk factors for SARS-CoV-2 pneumonia among renal transplant recipients in Beijing Omicron wave.</i> ”	Invited Journal Reviewer
2022 - Present	American Public Health Association (APHA)	Abstract Reviewer
2021 - Present	International Conference on Cancer Nursing	Abstract Reviewer
2022	International Society of Nurses in Genetics World Congress	Abstract Reviewer
2021	University of Maine System Nursing Research Symposium	Abstract Reviewer

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Date	Organization	Role	Offices Held
2018 – Present	International Conference on Cancer Care in Nursing (ICCN)	Member	Invited abstract reviewer, 2021
2018 – Present	International Society of Nurses in Genetics – Research and Ethics Committees	Member	N
2015 – 2020	Eastern Nursing Research Society	Member	N
2015 – 2020	Oncology Nursing Society	Member	N
2015 – Present	Sigma Theta Tau International Society of Nursing, Gamma Epsilon Chapter	Member	N
2014 – Present	Jonas Scholar, Jonas Center for Nursing and Veterans Healthcare	Member	N
2004 – Present	Alpha Chi Sigma (AXE) National Chemistry Organization – Mu Chapter	Member	Treasurer (2006-2007)
2014 – 2017	Making Strides Against Breast Cancer, American Cancer Society – Manchester, NH Branch	Member	Chair (2015-2017)
2014 – 2015	Hospice and Palliative Care Nurses Association	Member	N
2014 – 2015	International Society of Nurses in Cancer Care	Member	N

<u>Continuing Education</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u># of CEUs/hours</u>
UMS Nursing Research Symposium, Augusta ME	11/4/2023	5.0 contact hours
International Society of Nurses in Genetics, 2021 World Congress, Promoting DEI in Health Equity in Genomic Nursing; pharmacotherapeutics + Pre-Congress	11/4-11/7/2021	24 contact hours
16 th Annual Geriatrics Colloquium, University of Maine	10/25/2021	3.0 contact hours
UMS Nursing Research Symposium, Portland ME	10/3/2021	5.75 contact hours
American Association of Colleges in Nursing, Holistic Admissions Review in Health Professions Workshop	9/24/2021	5.1 contact hours
American Association of Colleges in Nursing, Diversity Symposium	11/9-11/10/2021	9.0 contact hours

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Choosing the Best Genomic Test, Jackson Laboratories	06/12/2021	16.5 CE credit
International Conference on Cancer Nursing	2/2/2021-2/5/2021	15.25 contact hours
Northeast Multistate Division – ANA- New Work 2018	10/26-10/30/2018	3.5 pharmacology
International Society of Nursing in Genetics World Congress, Orlando FL		
National Institute of Nursing Research – Summer Genetics Institute Training Program	6/4 – 6/30/2017	8.0hrs college credit
ONS/ONCC Chemotherapy Biotherapy Certificate Course	8/15/16	15.0 contact hrs
Oncology Nursing Society – Clinical Trials Nursing 101	7/1/2016	14.9 contact hrs
Oncology Nursing Society – Cancer Basics	7/1/2016	6.4 contact hrs
Jonas Nurse Leader Conference, Washington D.C.	10/25-10/27/2015	8.25 contact hrs
Dana Farber Cancer Institute – Highly Penetrant Inherited Cancer Genetic Syndromes Seminar	3/25/15	1 CEU
Dana Farber Cancer Institute- Social/Behavioral Investigators and Key Personnel	01/2015	6 CEUs
Dana Farber Cancer Institute – Social and Behavioral Conduct of Research	01/2015	6 CEUs
All Together Better Health Conference	06/2014	16.0 contact hrs
The Bouvé Dean's Seminar Series: Parallel Practice by Kerri McQuiere DDS	05/2014	2.0 contact hrs
American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Conference	03/2014	8 contact hrs
Society for Student-Run Free Clinics Conference	02/2014	8 contact hrs
The Bouvé Dean's Seminar Series: Following Your Passion and Making a difference by Brian Swann, DDS, MPH	01/2014	2 contact hrs

Proposal for a New Blended Graduate Degree

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) with a concentration in Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)

Submitting University:

- University of Maine

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Program Proposal Submission Date: 10/2025

Proposed Program Launch Date: 09/2027

Intent to Plan approved by VCAA date: April 16, 2025

Part One: Program Overview

- Rationale for program
 - For continued program accreditation, the University of Maine's well established Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) track needs to transition from a Master of Science in Nursing Leadership (MSNL) degree to a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree program. This transition is motivated by the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) 2021 *Essentials: Core Competencies for Professional Nursing Education*. Additionally, the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF) has advocated for the DNP as the entry-level degree for nurse practitioners. Since 1992, the University of Maine rural FNP program has upheld the land-grant mission of supporting the primary care workforce for Maine. The healthcare environment is becoming increasingly complex due to technological advancements, an aging population with chronic conditions, and intricate healthcare systems. A DNP program provides more in-depth education in areas such as evidence-based practice, quality improvement, systems leadership, health policy, and informatics. These competencies equip FNPs to navigate the system complexities more effectively and improve patient outcomes. Additionally, the transition to a DNP program can help address the shortage of doctorally prepared nursing faculty needed to educate future generations of registered and advanced practice nurses.
- Program goals/objectives
 - To respond to Maine's critical shortage of primary care providers and healthcare leaders, our FNP program needs to transition to the DNP. While

retaining the current essential FNP learning outcomes, the DNP curriculum will expand to emphasize macro-level healthcare perspectives and the science of implementing effective healthcare changes. As a practice-focused doctorate, the DNP complements the research-oriented Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing. The culminating DNP projects will showcase graduates' advanced nursing expertise and their ability to translate research to improve patient outcomes. Equipped with these enhanced competencies, our DNP-prepared FNPs will be ready to drive improvements in healthcare quality, safety, and workflow across Maine. Recognizing the significant effort of our current 50-credit MSNL-FNP curriculum, the addition of 25 credits will enable graduates to earn a terminal degree, aligning their credentials with other advanced healthcare professions like physical therapy, pharmacy, and medicine. The proposed DNP program represents a logical and essential progression in UMaine's commitment to addressing Maine's healthcare demands.

Part Two: Evidence of Need

- National Data/State Data market analysis (Burning Glass or similar)*
 - The pressing need for a DNP program at UMaine is underscored by a confluence of national trends and the unique healthcare challenges facing Maine. Nationally, the Bureau of Labor Statistics projected in 2025 that nurse practitioners would experience the most rapid job growth within the healthcare sector, with an anticipated expansion exceeding the average at 40%. This national surge highlights the pivotal role advanced practice nurses (i.e., FNP) play in the evolving healthcare landscape. Maine presents a distinctive set of circumstances that amplify this need. The state's predominantly rural population faces inherent barriers to accessing healthcare services, a challenge compounded by having the oldest population in the nation, which correlates with an increased demand for comprehensive healthcare. Furthermore, Maine's limited infrastructure for health professions education further exacerbates existing workforce shortages. The Cicero Institute's 2024 projection of a 120 primary care provider deficit in Maine by 2030 highlights the impending challenges in ensuring access to essential primary care services for Maine residents. UMaine's existing FNP program has a demonstrated history of effectively contributing to the healthcare needs of Maine communities. UMaine's FNP students are established in their communities and are retained after graduation to provide advanced nursing care. Out of the 33 practicing graduates since 2021, 70% started their FNP career within 1 hour of their hometown. While the majority of these graduates dedicate their expertise to primary care settings, their impact extends to enhancing access in specialty care areas such as urgent care facilities, cardiology practices, and school-based health clinics, showcasing the broad applicability and value of their advanced education. Also, this proposal directly confronts the critical shortage of doctorally prepared nurses, a significant impediment to expanding the

overall nursing workforce. The American Association of Colleges of Nursing reported in 2023 1,977 faculty vacancies across the nation, with 80% of these positions requiring or preferring a doctoral degree. By establishing a DNP program, UMaine will cultivate a vital resource for growing the pool of qualified faculty available to support both didactic and clinical education within the state. This will not only strengthen our own nursing programs but also contribute to the overall capacity of nursing education institutions across Maine. Moreover, DNP-prepared nurses are equipped with advanced leadership capabilities, research proficiencies, and the skills to translate evidence-based practices into tangible improvements in patient outcomes and the efficiency of healthcare systems within Maine. By offering this terminal practice doctorate, UMaine will play a crucial role in elevating the educational attainment of the state's nursing workforce, fostering a culture of continuous professional growth and attracting highly motivated nurses seeking advanced educational and career opportunities within Maine. Maine's clinical agencies (e.g., Northern Light Health, FQHCs) have expressed interest in partnering with UMaine graduate nursing students to engage in quality improvement projects.

- Differentiation from similar UMS programs or how the programs will complement each other
 - There are no baccalaureate (BSN) to DNP programs in UMS. The University of Southern Maine (USM) and University of Fort Kent (UMFK) do have post-masters DNP programs with a concentration in nursing administration. This proposed DNP-FNP program differs by being "seamless" and integrating doctoral level competency development from the beginning of the curriculum. There are opportunities and preliminary plans for collaboration with our system's graduate nursing programs and the newly proposed UMaine PhD in Nursing program through course and faculty sharing. Specifically, UMFK has agreed to allow UMaine's proposed DNP program to cross-link three of the core DNP courses (noted in Program Content section). This exemplifies the UMS goal of multi-university collaboration.
- Similar/competing non-UMS programs in the region
 - The University of Maine has an opportunity to showcase its leadership in launching this degree that advances nurse practitioner education. There are currently no online or brick and mortar seamless BSN to DNP programs based in Maine. There are DNP-FNP programs offered online from other institutions based outside of Maine. Comparable examples are at University of Massachusetts, University of New Hampshire, Northeastern University, Walden University, and Regis University. However, these programs do not offer affordable in-state tuition options for students and lack established, consistent relationships with Maine's clinical agencies.

Part Three: Financial Sustainability

- Funding Source/availability of resources

- UMaine School of Nursing has received monies from donors interested in advancing doctoral education of nurses. Specific to the FNP program, a \$1.9 million dollar 4-year traineeship federal grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) was awarded in 2023 to bolster Maine's primary care workforce. This grant had also been previously awarded to UMaine's FNP program. If federal funding continues to be designated for this objective, UMaine has a strong chance for funding opportunities. These monies lower the barrier for students to continue their education and choose UMaine. Enrollment is capped due to the complex clinical competencies developed in the program under small facility to student ratios, and qualified applicants have been waitlisted at a current rate of 100%. This demonstrates the demand of the program and promise of billable credits. The DNP degree is an additional 24 credit hours above the current MSN for the FNP track. After accounting for cross-linking courses which may not directly impact UMaine income, the DNP degree will incur 19 additional credits of tuition per graduate.
- Expected new budgetary needs
 - The DNP curriculum incorporates four project-based seminar courses that necessitate dedicated faculty time for development and instruction. The current capacity of the School of Nursing faculty is insufficient to accommodate the workload associated with these new courses, requiring an additional 0.25 FTE faculty appointment to ensure their successful implementation and delivery. The PhD in Nursing program has been allocated 1.0 FTE Assistant Professor line that will help to bolster the graduate faculty capacity in the School of Nursing.
- Pro Forma summary, elements and budget narrative included as an appendix.

Part Four: Program Content

- Catalog Description
 - Doctor of Nursing Practice - Family Nurse Practitioner: The Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) is the highest clinical degree in nursing, designed to equip practicing nurses with advanced practice and leadership skills. The UMaine DNP program prepares graduates to provide direct patient care, lead healthcare teams, expertly apply evidence-based practices, drive improvements in healthcare outcomes, and shape healthcare policy. The family nurse practitioner is prepared to provide healthcare to individuals and families across the lifespan (newborns, infants, children, adolescents, adults, pregnant and postpartum women and older adults). Primary care includes health promotion, disease and injury prevention, and the evaluation and management of common acute and chronic health problems. The focus of care includes individuals within families and the family unit; however the family chooses to define itself. Family nurse practitioners demonstrate a commitment to family-centered care in the context of communities. Clinical experiences are arranged to meet program outcomes and to accommodate the

needs of the student. The DNP program culminates in a scholarly project focused on addressing a real-world clinical or healthcare system issue, allowing students to apply their advanced knowledge to improve practice and patient outcomes. This project demonstrates the student's mastery of evidence-based practice and their ability to translate research into practical solutions. This program offers a BSN to DNP-FNP track, and will be completed as a hybrid program with over 50% of the courses being offered online while other courses will have a hybrid design to facilitate learning of technical skills as a family nurse practitioner. The credit requirement is 76 credits. The DNP-FNP curriculum meets the 2022 Criteria for Evaluation of Nurse Practitioner Programs published by the National Task Force on Quality Nurse Practitioner Education. DNP-FNP graduates are eligible to take national certification examinations for Family Nurse Practitioners which are offered by the American Nurses Credentialing Center and by the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners.

- Program Requirements*

- Applicants must have a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from an accredited program with a 3.0 cumulative grade point average; earned a B or better in an undergraduate statistics course, nursing research course, and health appraisal and physical assessment course. Students may apply and start the program as direct entry applicants following graduation from UMaine's BSN program and will have to complete 1000 hours of RN work experience prior to diagnosis and management courses.
- Graduates must successfully complete 76 credits, the DNP scholarly practice project, and 1000 clinical hours inclusive of the scholarly project. Program progression requires a 3.0 cumulative GPA, course assessment averages above 80%, and individual course grades greater than B-.
- The standard residence (time spent in doctoral study) requirements, course credit transfer limits, and minimum limit of University of Maine credits in sections 4.1 and 4.5 of the University of Maine Graduate Catalog must be satisfied. Only credits earned at the post-baccalaureate level may be applied.
- The FNP Track Coordinator will develop a program of study with students and file this with the Graduate School before the completion of the student's second semester.
- The DNP Practice Project will be advised by a minimum of two advisors chaired by a graduate faculty member in the School of Nursing. Additional member(s) who bring complementary expertise are invited to join the committee. This can include other nursing faculty, faculty from other disciplines (e.g., public health, business), or clinical experts from practice settings relevant to the project. One member often has expertise in the project's content area. The project will follow the general rules specified in the Graduate School's Guidelines for Thesis/Dissertation/Projects Preparation.

- Course Descriptions*
 - The DNP core curriculum provides 37 credits focused on the theoretical and practical application of advanced nursing competencies, encompassing areas such as advanced scholarship, evidence-based practice, quality and safety, population health, leadership, informatics, finance, epidemiology, biostatistics, research ethics, scholarly writing, and advanced clinical sciences. This culminates in a comprehensive DNP Practice Project, developed, implemented, and disseminated across 12 seminar credits. The FNP track builds upon this foundation with an additional 27 credits specifically addressing the competencies required for direct patient care, including health promotion and the chronic management of common conditions across the lifespan.
- Course Sequence
 - DNP Core Courses
 - TBD: Introduction to Scholarly Writing (1 credit – online)
 - INT 601: Responsible Conduct of Research (1 credit – variable)
 - NUR 507: Advanced Pathophysiology (3 credits – online)
 - NUR 508: Advanced Pharmacology (3 credits – online)
 - NUR 503: Advanced Health Assessment (3 credits – online)
 - NUR 531: Advanced Health Assessment – Lab (1 credit – hybrid)
 - NUR 532: Advanced Health Assessment – Clinical (1 credit)
 - NUR 560: Advanced Nursing Scholarship (2 credits - online)
 - NUR 561: Population Health for a Global Society (3 credits – online)
 - NUR 562: Quality and Safety in Healthcare (2 credits - online)
 - NUR 563: Evidence-based Practice for Advanced Nursing Practice (2 credits - online)
 - NUR 565: Leadership in Resilience and Wellness for Advanced Nursing Practice (1 credit – online)
 - NUR 636: Applied Epidemiology for Advanced Nursing Practice (3 credits – online) (UMFK)
 - NUR 644: Interprofessional Leadership in Healthcare (3 credits – online)
 - NUR 703: Information Systems and Technology Improvement (3 credits – online) (UMFK)
 - NUR 751: Biostatistics (3 credits – online) (UMFK)
 - NUR 760: Financial and Value Based Health Services and Systems (3 credits – online) (UMFK)
 - TBD: DNP Seminar I (3 credits – online)
 - TBD: DNP Seminar II (3 credits – online)
 - TBD: DNP Seminar III (3 credits – online)
 - TBD: DNP Seminar IV (3 credits – online)
 - FNP Track Specific Courses
 - NUR 506: Issues in Professional Practice (APRN Role) (2 credits – online)

- NUR 521: NP Management of Reproductive, Gender, and Women's Health (3 credits – hybrid)
- NUR 525: NP Management of Reproductive, Gender, and Women's Health – Clinical (2 credits)
- NUR 520: NP Management of Neonate to Adolescent (3 credits – hybrid)
- NUR 524: NP Management of Neonate to Adolescent – Clinical (3 credits)
- NUR 522: NP Management of Adults I (3 credits – on-campus)
- NUR 526: NP Management of Adults I – Clinical (3 credits)
- NUR 523: NP Management of Adults II (3 credits – on-campus)
- NUR 527: NP Management of Adults II - Clinical (4 credits)
- Accommodations for diverse accessibility needs under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)*
 - UMaine's existing Student Accessibility Office provides a foundation for supporting students with disabilities. The proposed hybrid DNP-FNP program would leverage this infrastructure and ensure that its specific online and on-campus components are designed and delivered with accessibility in mind, adhering to ADA requirements and best practices for inclusive education. Students would follow UMaine's established procedures for requesting and receiving accommodations through the SAS office. For the significant online learning environment inherent in hybrid programs, adherence to the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) will be followed. This involves providing text alternatives for visual content, offering captions and transcripts for multimedia, ensuring full keyboard navigation, maintaining sufficient color contrast, using clear formatting, making digital documents accessible, and selecting ADA-compliant learning technologies. Accommodations for the on-campus components, which typically include intensives, simulation labs, or clinical experiences, require ensuring the physical accessibility of facilities, providing alternative formats for materials, offering assistive technologies, allowing flexibility in scheduling when reasonable, and securing accessible clinical placement sites. Effective communication and collaboration among students, faculty, and the accessibility services office are vital. This includes clearly outlining the accommodation request process, encouraging students to communicate their needs proactively, providing faculty training on ADA requirements and inclusive teaching practices for both modalities, and facilitating communication between SAS and faculty to ensure the effective implementation of accommodations.

Part Five: Program Resources

- Faculty
 - Sean Sibley, Ph.D., MSN, APRN, FNP-BC, NP-C, CNE, Clinical Assistant Faculty, Family Nurse Practitioner Track Coordinator
 - Kelley Strout, Ph.D. RN, Associate Professor of Nursing
 - Kathryn Robinson, Ph.D., MHA, RN

- Katherine Darling, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Health Sciences
- Eva Quirion, Ph.D., APRN, FNP-BC, Lecturer of Nursing
- Jordan Porter, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC, Lecturer of Nursing
- Colleen Marzilli, PhD, DNP, MBA, APRN, Med/Surg-BC, CCM, PHNA-BC, CNE, NEA-BC, FNP-BC, FNAP, Professor of Nursing
- Christina Theriault, MSN, WHNP, Adjunct Lecturer of Nursing
- *There are 2 expected retirements of tenured faculty prior to the launch of the DNP. These positions would need to be filled by doctorally prepared candidates, and one hire will need to have an advanced nursing practice credential (e.g., PNP, FNP).*
- Staff
 - Amy Barnes, BSN, RN, Learning Resource and Simulation Education Center Manager
 - Amanda Henderson, MSN, RN, Director Learning Resource and Simulation Education Center
 - Kaitlin Robinson, MSN, RN, Clinical Coordinator
- Library
 - A subject librarian for nursing is already established. Expanding to a doctoral level of education would allow for more in depth integration of information literacy resources offered through Fogler Library.
- Equipment
 - The additional courses and competencies do not require the acquisition of new equipment. All graduate nursing labs have been recently updated for skills and simulation-based education.
- Facilities
 - The additional courses and competencies do not require additional physical space beyond that currently occupied by the FNP track.

Part Six: Accreditation/ Program Evaluation

- Outline of the future program evaluation process*
 - UMaine nursing programs are currently accredited by the *Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)* through 2030. The current graduate courses, cross-linked courses, and courses in development are, or will be, mapped to the criteria needed for CCNE accreditation. The program mission, governance, institutional support, curriculum, teaching and learning practices, and evaluation plan/outcomes will be consistent with the expectations for CCNE accreditation. This is assured given our current compliance and sound internal processes. A substantive change memo outlining the degree proposal will be sent to CCNE with the submission of this proposal. After the first year of program implementation, CCNE will conduct an on-site evaluation for accreditation consideration.

Submitted by: (Developing faculty partners' signature and date)



10.01.2025

Sean Sibley, Clinical Assistant Faculty, FNP Track Coordinator

Date

Approved by: (Provost signature and date)
(President signature and date)

Appendices

- Budget Narrative and Pro Forma
- Lightcast Occupation Overview: Nurse Practitioners in Maine
- Lightcast Occupation Overview: Nurse Practitioners in New England
- Lightcast Occupation Overview: Nurse Practitioners in the United States
- *Letters of Support included in PhD in Nursing proposal*

APPENDIX

University of Maine School of Nursing
Doctor of Nursing Practice - Family Nurse Practitioner

Program Proposal Budget Narrative

The DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE – FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER DEGREE at the University of Maine predicts enrollment of approximately 10 new FTE students per year with an estimated \$124,830 in predicted tuition and fee revenue per year. This program will add \$26,974 in additional cost through faculty expenses per year. These additional E & G costs will be offset through projected tuition revenue. The DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE – FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER DEGREE is expected to break even in YEAR 1.

Projected Full Time Equivalent Enrollment (3 year projection with 85% retention)

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Cohort A	5	4	4
Cohort B	-	10	9
Cohort C	-	-	10
TOTAL FTE	5	14	22
ENROLLMENT			

The current Master of Science in Nursing Leadership (MSNL) enrolls 10 students per year and maintains an admissions waitlist in recent history. Program capacity is limited due to lack of direct patient care clinical learning placements. After a one (1) year overlap teaching out the MSNL degree option, there would be an anticipated 10 students per annual cohort in the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree.

Projected Gross Revenue (3 year projection)

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Projected Tuition	\$54,435	\$155,140	\$240,739
Projected Fees	\$1,520	\$4,332	\$6,722
Projected Differential Tuition	\$6,460	\$18,411	\$28,569
Other Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL REVENUE	\$62,415	\$177,883	\$276,030

All DNP-FNP students will be enrolled in a full-time program of study with an approximate 19 credits per academic year, including summer terms. The total credit hours for the doctoral program are 76 to be completed in four (4) years. The graduate nursing program assesses a differential tuition to support simulation-based learning, skills workshops, certification exam preparation materials, and clinical placement software. The total estimated revenue for the program is \$657 per credit hour based on in-state tuition. Using these revenue amounts, the DNP will account for an additional \$17,082 per graduate beyond a current MSNL graduate.

Projected New Expenses (3 year projection)

	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3
New Faculty personnel expenses (salary + benefits)	\$26,974	\$28,053	\$29,175
Adjunct Faculty personnel expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0
Course Development Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0
Travel Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0
Staff personnel expenses (salary + benefits)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other non-personnel expenses (marketing, operations, etc.)	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$26,974	\$28,053	\$29,175

Only 0.25 FTE additional faculty workload is needed to elevate the FNP track from the MSNL to the DNP degree level due to cross-linking 12 credits from the University of Maine - Fort Kent. The cost of this annual faculty workload is estimated at \$26,974 (with 4% annual increase), including fringe (49.8%). Considering the additional revenue by the additional 26 credits per graduate, this expense is easily recuperated.

Projected Net Revenue

It can be challenging to precisely calculate the new program's total revenue because the curriculum leverages courses and faculty already serving the existing MSNL and undergraduate programs. However, this integrated approach is the core of the program's strong financial viability. Funding through private and federal grants have bolstered enrollment and retention in recent years. Efforts to secure external funding, including indirect costs, will continue and be helped by elevating the FNP preparation to the DNP degree.

The minimal investment of a **0.25 FTE faculty increase**, at an additional annual cost of approximately **\$27,000**, is offset by the substantial increase in revenue. This is because the new DNP curriculum will generate an additional **\$17,082 per graduate** beyond what the MSNL program earns, ensuring a rapid return on investment.

Nurse Practitioners in Maine

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What is Lightcast Data?

Lightcast data is a hybrid dataset derived from official government sources such as the US Census Bureau, Bureau of Economic Analysis, and Bureau of Labor Statistics. Leveraging the unique strengths of each source, our data modeling team creates an authoritative dataset that captures more than 99% of all workers in the United States. This core offering is then enriched with data from online social profiles, resumés, and job postings to give you a complete view of the workforce.

Lightcast data is frequently cited in major publications such as *The Atlantic*, *Forbes*, *Harvard Business Review*, *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and *USA Today*.



Report Parameters

1 Occupation

29-1171 Nurse Practitioners

1 State

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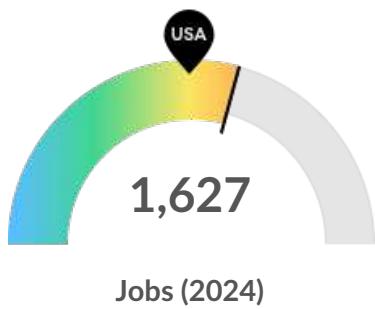
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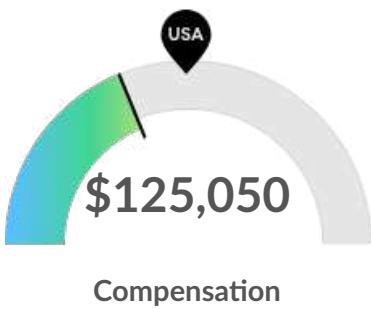
The information in this report pertains to the chosen occupation and geographical area.

Executive Summary

Aggressive Job Posting Demand Over a Deep Supply of Regional Jobs



Maine is a hotspot for this kind of job. The national average for an area this size is 1,284* employees, while there are 1,627 here.



Earnings are low in Maine. The national median salary for Nurse Practitioners is \$129,210, compared to \$125,050 here.



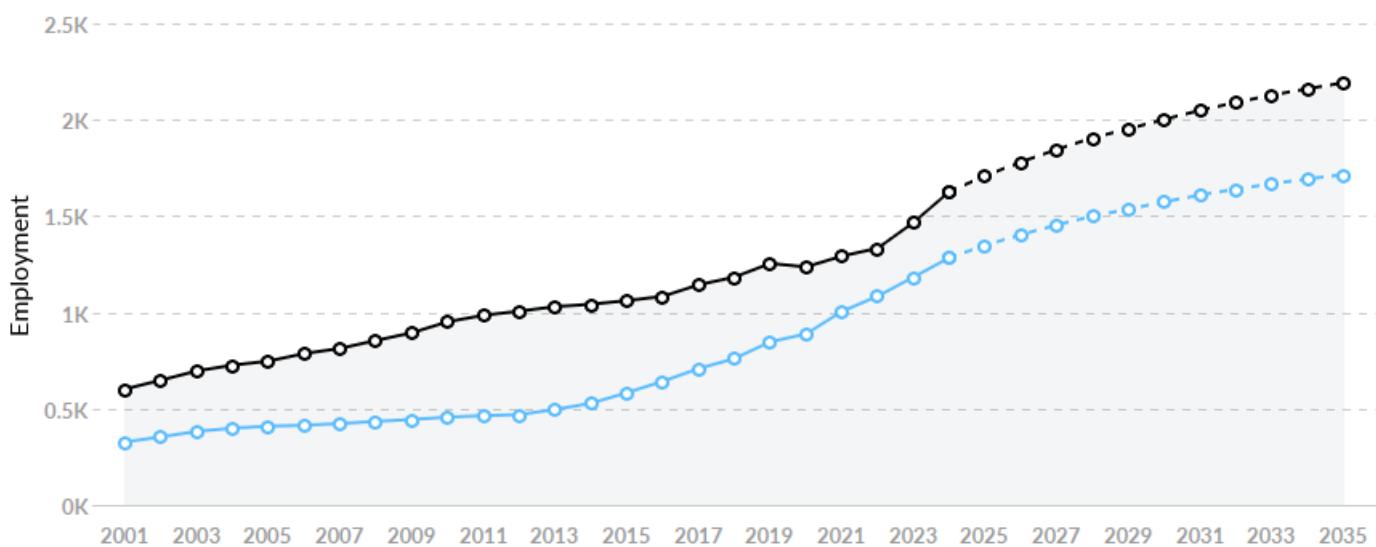
Job posting activity is high in Maine. The national average for an area this size is 71* job postings/mo, while there are 152 here.

*National average values are derived by taking the national value for Nurse Practitioners and scaling it down to account for the difference in overall workforce size between the nation and Maine. In other words, the values represent the national average adjusted for region size.

Jobs

Regional Employment Is Higher Than the National Average

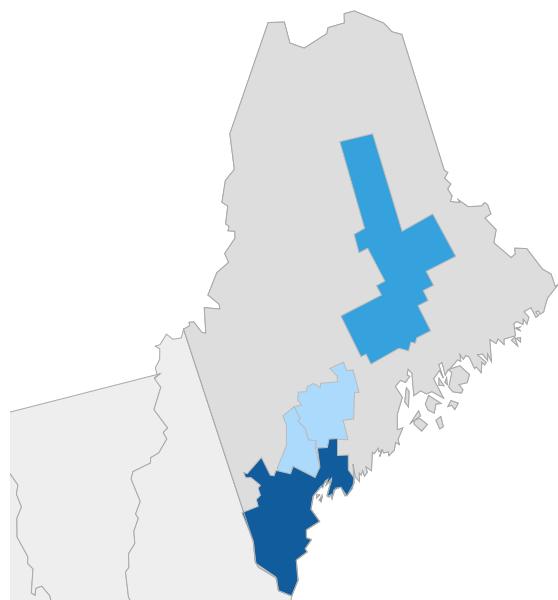
An average area of this size typically has 1,284* jobs, while there are 1,627 here. This higher than average supply of jobs may make it easier for workers in this field to find employment in your area.



Region	2024 Jobs	2034 Jobs	Change	% Change
● Maine	1,627	2,161	535	32.9%
● National Average	1,284	1,693	409	31.9%

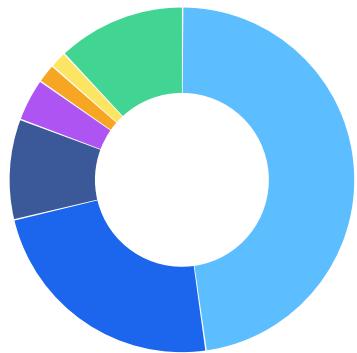
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Regional Breakdown



MSA	2024 Jobs
Portland-South Portland, ME	795
Bangor, ME	208
Augusta-Waterville, ME	170
Lewiston-Auburn, ME	99

Most Jobs are Found in the Offices of Physicians Industry Sector

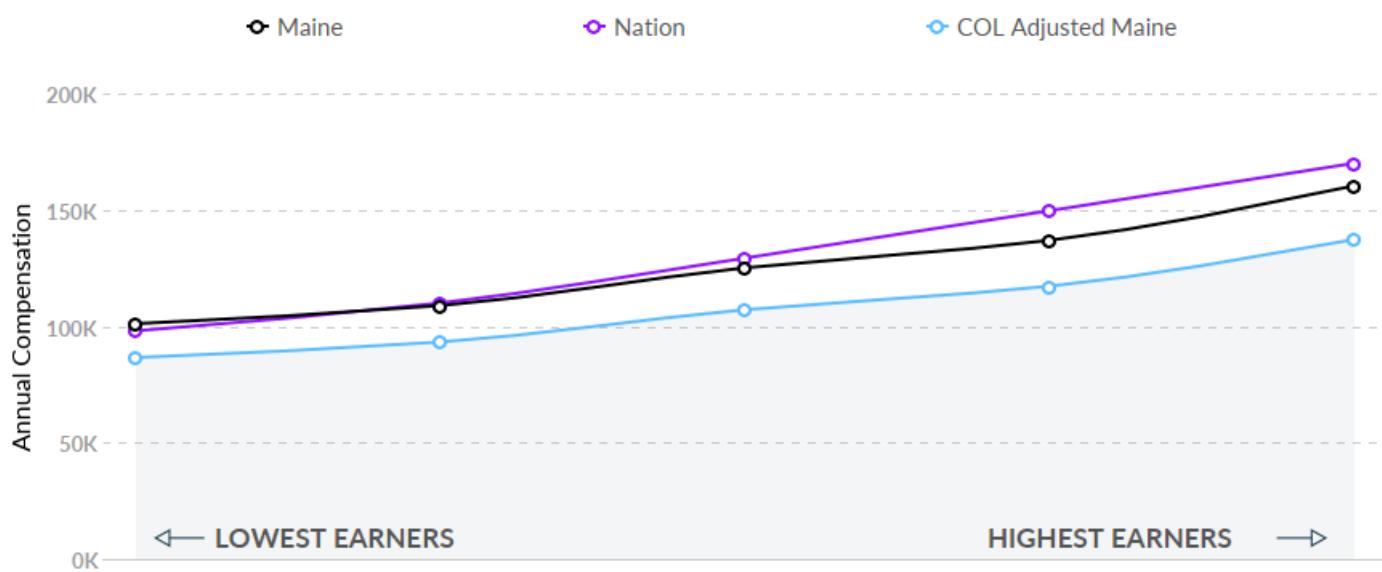


Industry	% of Occupation in Industry (2024)
Offices of Physicians	47.7%
General Medical and Surgical Hospitals	23.5%
Outpatient Care Centers	9.4%
Offices of Other Health Practitioners	4.0%
Home Health Care Services	1.8%
Education and Hospitals (State Government)	1.6%
Other	12.0%

Compensation

Regional Compensation Is 3% Lower Than National Compensation

For Nurse Practitioners, the 2024 median wage in Maine is \$125,050, while the national median wage is \$129,210.



Job Posting Activity



2,730 Unique Job Postings

The number of unique postings for this job from Jan 2024 to Jun 2025.



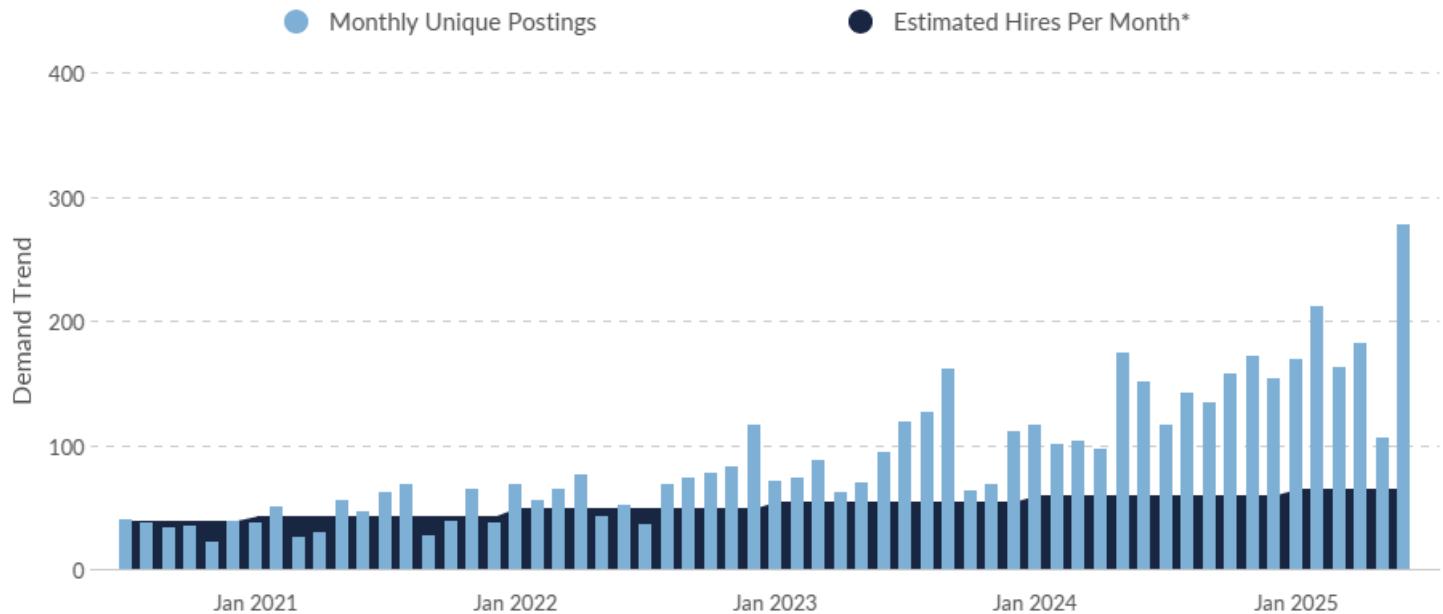
254 Employers Competing

All employers in the region who posted for this job from Jan 2024 to Jun 2025.



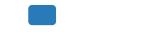
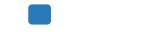
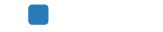
21 Day Median Duration

Posting duration is 3 days shorter than what's typical in the region.



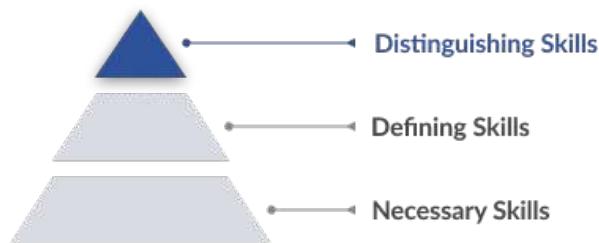
Occupation	Avg Monthly Postings (Jan 2024 - Jun 2025)	Avg Monthly Hires (Jan 2024 - Jun 2025)
Nurse Practitioners	151	61

*A hire is reported by the Quarterly Workforce Indicators when an individual's Social Security Number appears on a company's payroll and was not there the quarter before. Lightcast hires are calculated using a combination of Lightcast jobs data, information on separation rates from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), and industry-based hires data from the Census Bureau.

Top Companies	Unique Postings	Top Job Titles	Unique Postings
Maine Medical Center	569 	Nurse Practitioners/Physician A...	707 
Matrix Medical Network	295 	Nurse Practitioners	354 
Optum	116 	Psychiatric Nurse Practitioners	162 
CompHealth	97 	Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse...	81 
Convenientmd	94 	Family Medicine Nurse Practitio...	80 
Northern Light Health	86 	Advanced Practice Providers	73 
UnitedHealth Group	82 	Urgent Care Nurse Practitioners...	65 
MaineGeneral Health	63 	Nurse Practitioners/Advanced P...	61 
GO Staffing	61 	Primary Care Nurse Practitioner...	58 
Hartford HealthCare	55 	Family Nurse Practitioners	50 

Top Distinguishing Skills by Demand

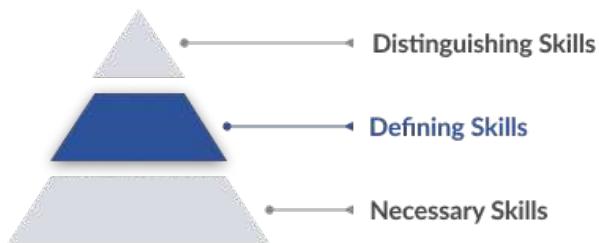
An occupation's Distinguishing Skills are the advanced skills that are called for occasionally. An employee with these skills is likely more specialized and able to differentiate themselves from others in the same role.



Skill	Salary Boosting	Job Postings Requesting	Projected Growth	Growth Relative to Market
Gerontology	✖	216	+8.9%	Growing
Psychiatric And Mental Health Nursing	✖	210	+7.3%	Stable
Preventive Care	✖	189	+2.1%	Lagging
Follow-Up Care	✖	188	+21.8%	Rapidly Growing
Clinical Assessments	✖	164	+11.3%	Growing
Endocrinology	✖	160	+1.9%	Lagging
Medical Management	✖	158	+13.2%	Growing
Surgical Suturing	✖	137	+17.5%	Growing
Diagnostic Tests	✖	110	+9.6%	Growing
Therapeutic Procedures	✖	106	+8.4%	Stable

Top Defining Skills by Demand

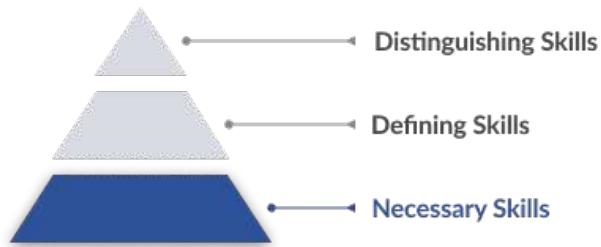
An occupation's Defining Skills represent the day-to-day tasks and responsibilities of the job. An employee needs these skills to qualify for and perform successfully in this occupation.



Skill	Salary Boosting	Job Postings Requesting	Projected Growth	Growth Relative to Market
Nurse Practitioner (APRN-CNP)	✖	2,282	+10.4%	Growing
Primary Care	✖	844	+11.3%	Growing
Basic Life Support (BLS) Certification	✖	812	+13.9%	Growing
Medical History Documentation	✖	660	+9.9%	Growing
Board Certified/Board Eligible	✖	573	+18.7%	Growing
ANCC Certified	✖	535	+11.3%	Growing
Nursing	✖	518	+20.1%	Rapidly Growing
American Association Of Nurse Practitioners (AANP) Certified	✖	491	+3.5%	Lagging
Physician Assistant - Certified (PA-C)	✖	380	+11.8%	Growing
Family Medicine	✖	301	+16.2%	Growing

Top Necessary Skills by Demand

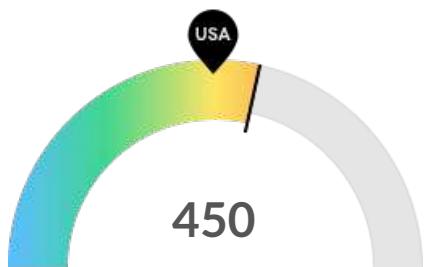
An occupation's Necessary Skills are the specialized skills required for that job and relevant across other similar jobs. An employee needs these skills as building blocks to perform the more complex Defining Skills.



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Geriatrics	✖	412	+10.5%	Growing
Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS) Certification	✖	379	+12.3%	Growing
Patient Education And Counseling	✖	312	+11.6%	Growing
Medical Records	✖	285	+12.5%	Growing
Clinical Experience	✖	280	+9.4%	Growing
Psychiatry	✖	276	+18.8%	Growing
Patient Treatment	✖	263	+9.1%	Growing
Medication Administration	✖	214	+14.3%	Growing
Mental Health	✖	210	+13.2%	Growing

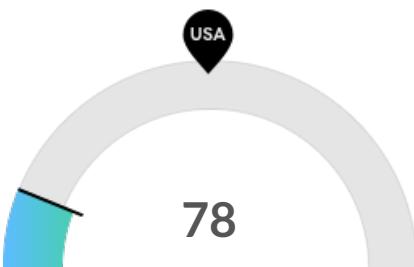
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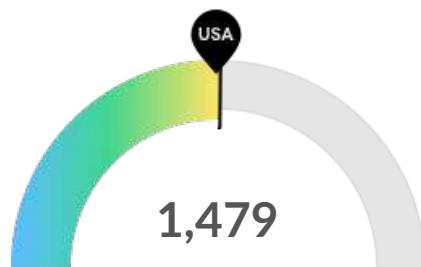
Retiring Soon

Retirement risk is high in Maine. The national average for an area this size is 370* employees 55 or older, while there are 450 here.



Racial Diversity

Racial diversity is low in Maine. The national average for an area this size is 415* racially diverse employees, while there are 78 here.

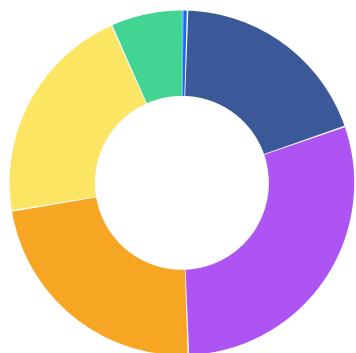


Gender Diversity

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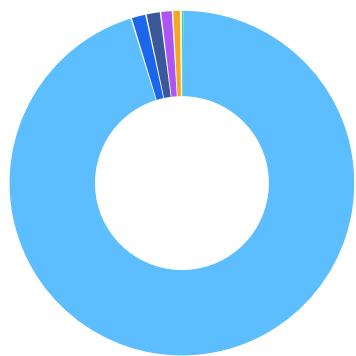
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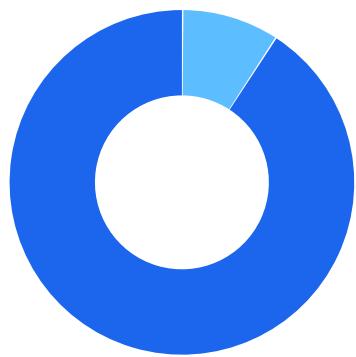
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14-18	0.0%	0
19-24	0.5%	7
25-34	19.2%	312
35-44	29.7%	483
45-54	23.0%	374
55-64	20.9%	341
65+	6.7%	110

Occupation Race/Ethnicity Breakdown



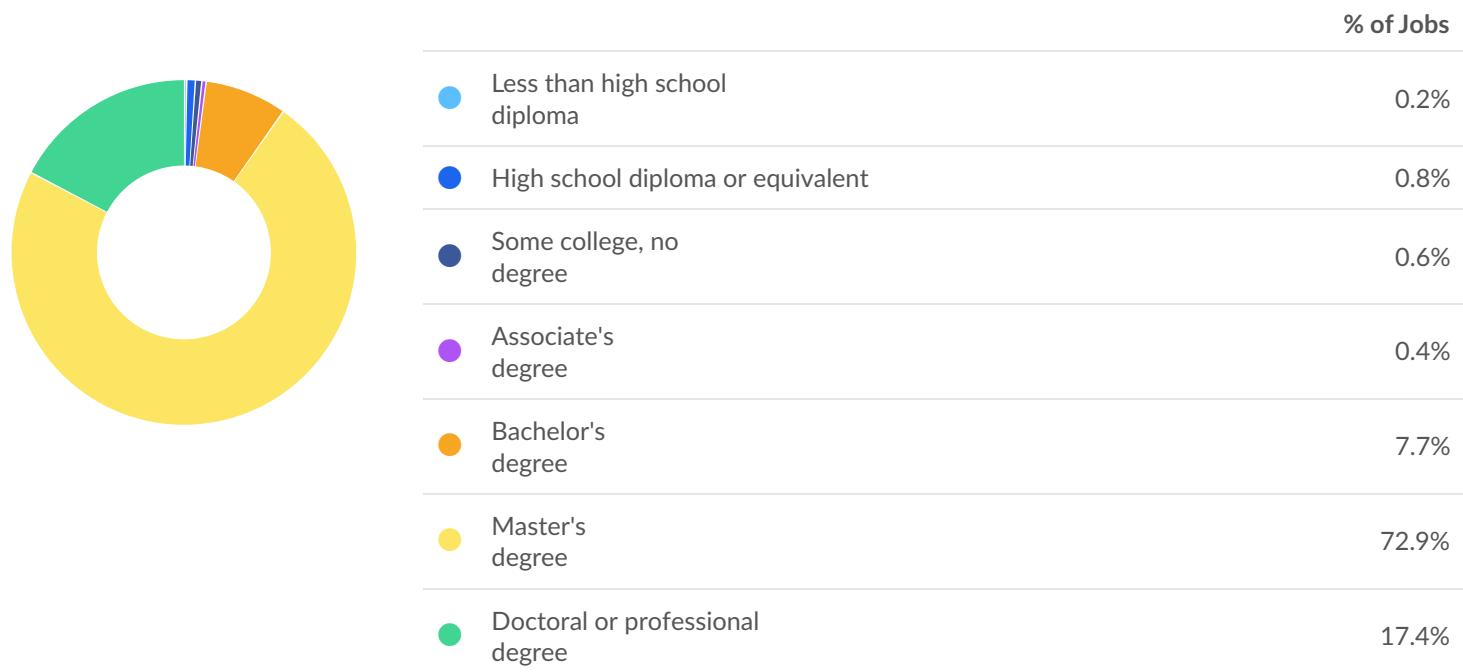
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White	95.2%	1,548
Asian	1.4%	23
Black or African American	1.4%	22
Two or More Races	1.1%	18
Hispanic or Latino	0.8%	12
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.2%	3
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0

Occupation Gender Breakdown



	% of Jobs	Jobs
Males	9.1%	148
Females	90.9%	1,479

National Educational Attainment



Occupational Programs



7 Programs

Of the programs that can train for this job, 7 have produced completions in the last 5 years.



1,173 Completions (2023)

The completions from all regional institutions for all degree types.



224 Openings (2023)

The average number of openings for an occupation in the region is 123.

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University of Maine at Fort Kent	158 
Husson University	132 
University of New England	121 
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Nurse Practitioners (SOC 29-1171):

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29-1171 Nurse Practitioners

6 States

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23	Maine
25	Massachusetts

33	New Hampshire
44	Rhode Island
50	Vermont

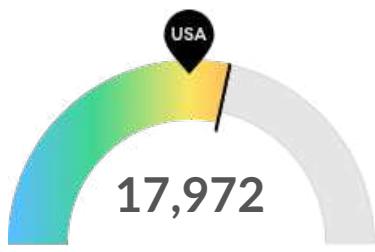
Class of Worker

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Executive Summary

Aggressive Job Posting Demand Over a Deep Supply of Regional Jobs



17,972

Jobs (2024)

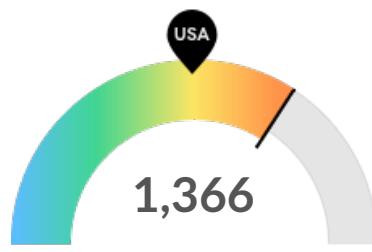
Your area is a hotspot for this kind of job. The national average for an area this size is 14,829* employees, while there are 17,972 here.



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Compensation

Earnings are high in your area. The national median salary for Nurse Practitioners is \$129,210, compared to \$135,682 here.



1,366

Job Posting Demand

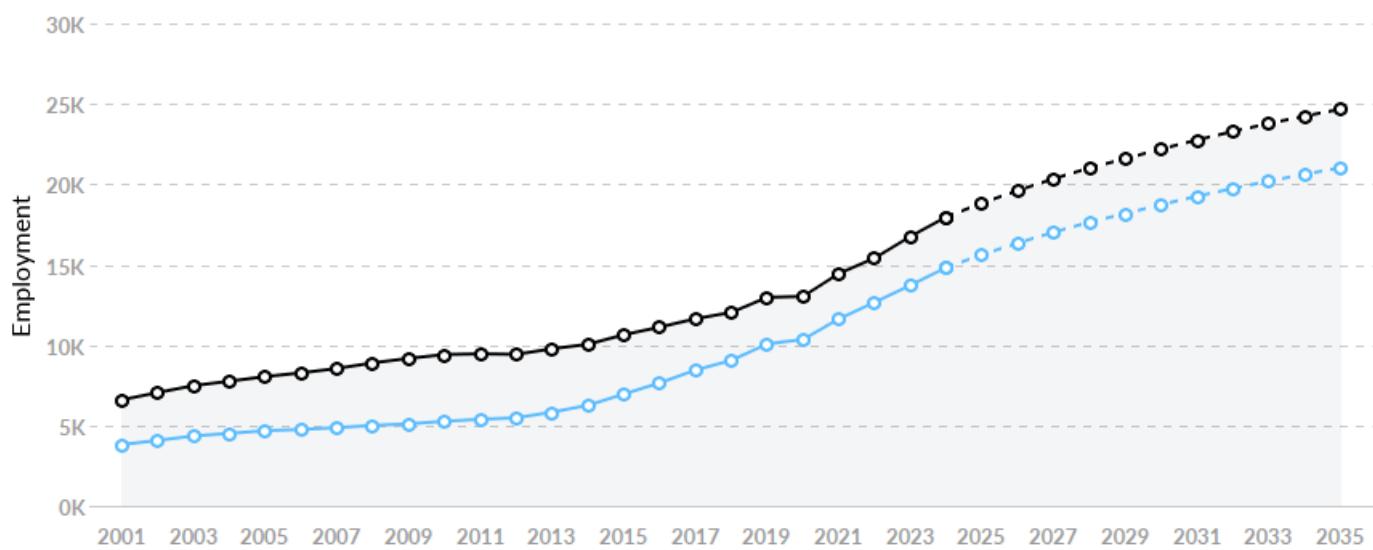
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Jobs

Regional Employment Is Higher Than the National Average

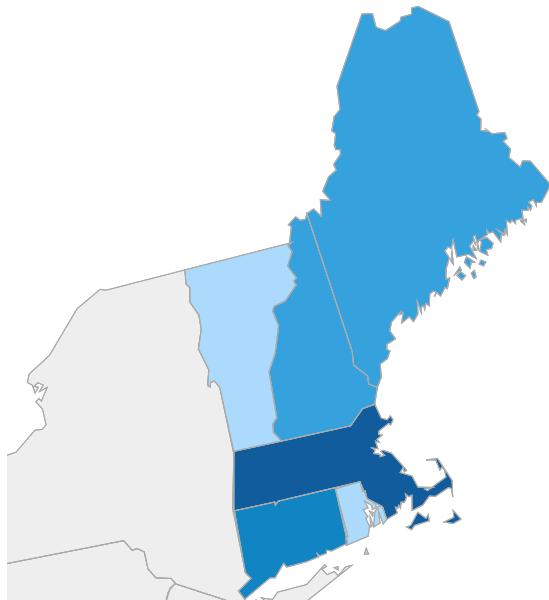
An average area of this size typically has 14,829* jobs, while there are 17,972 here. This higher than average supply of jobs may make it easier for workers in this field to find employment in your area.



Region	2024 Jobs	2034 Jobs	Change	% Change
● New England Division	17,972	24,238	6,266	34.9%
● National Average	14,829	20,625	5,796	39.1%

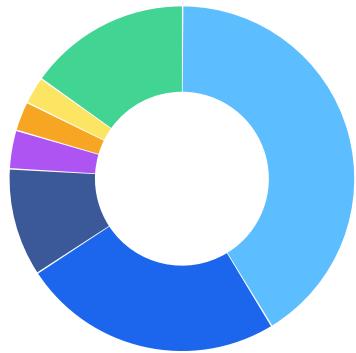
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Regional Breakdown



State	2024 Jobs
Massachusetts	8,973
Connecticut	3,703
New Hampshire	1,791
Maine	1,627
Rhode Island	1,196

Most Jobs are Found in the Offices of Physicians Industry Sector

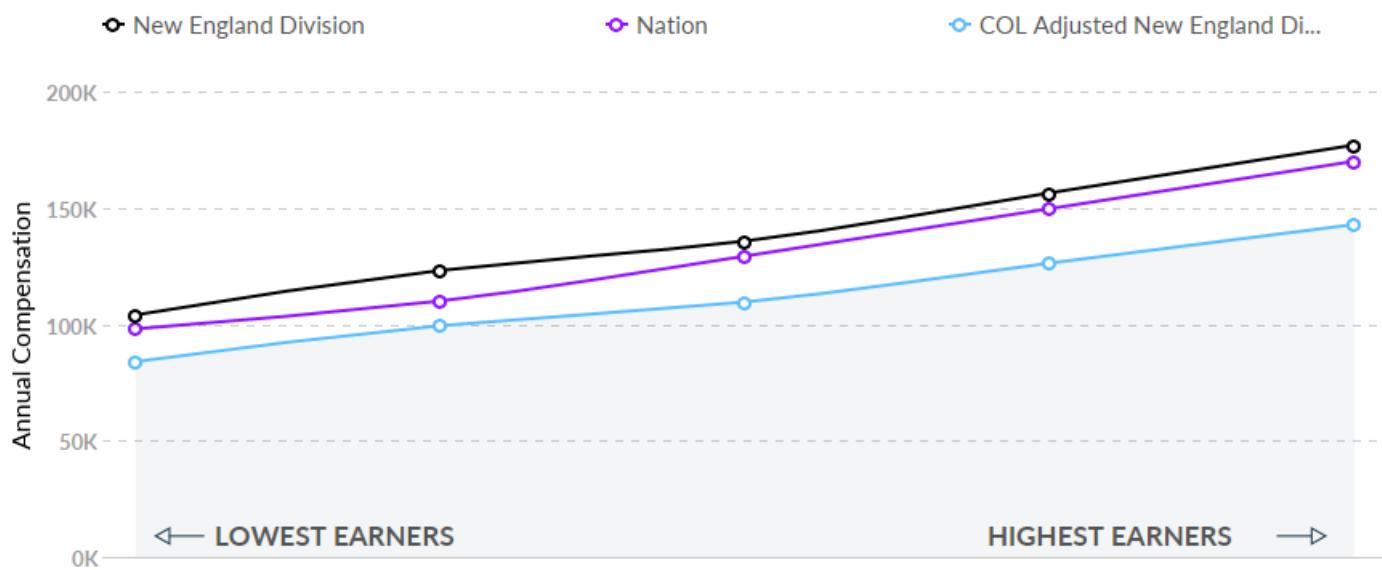


Industry	% of Occupation in Industry (2024)
Offices of Physicians	41.2%
General Medical and Surgical Hospitals	24.5%
Outpatient Care Centers	10.1%
Offices of Other Health Practitioners	3.6%
Colleges, Universities, and Professional Schools	2.8%
Home Health Care Services	2.6%
Other	15.2%

Compensation

Regional Compensation Is 5% Higher Than National Compensation

For Nurse Practitioners, the 2024 median wage in your area is \$135,682, while the national median wage is \$129,210.



Job Posting Activity



24,580 Unique Job Postings

The number of unique postings for this job from Jan 2024 to Jun 2025.



1,483 Employers Competing

All employers in the region who posted for this job from Jan 2024 to Jun 2025.



23 Day Median Duration

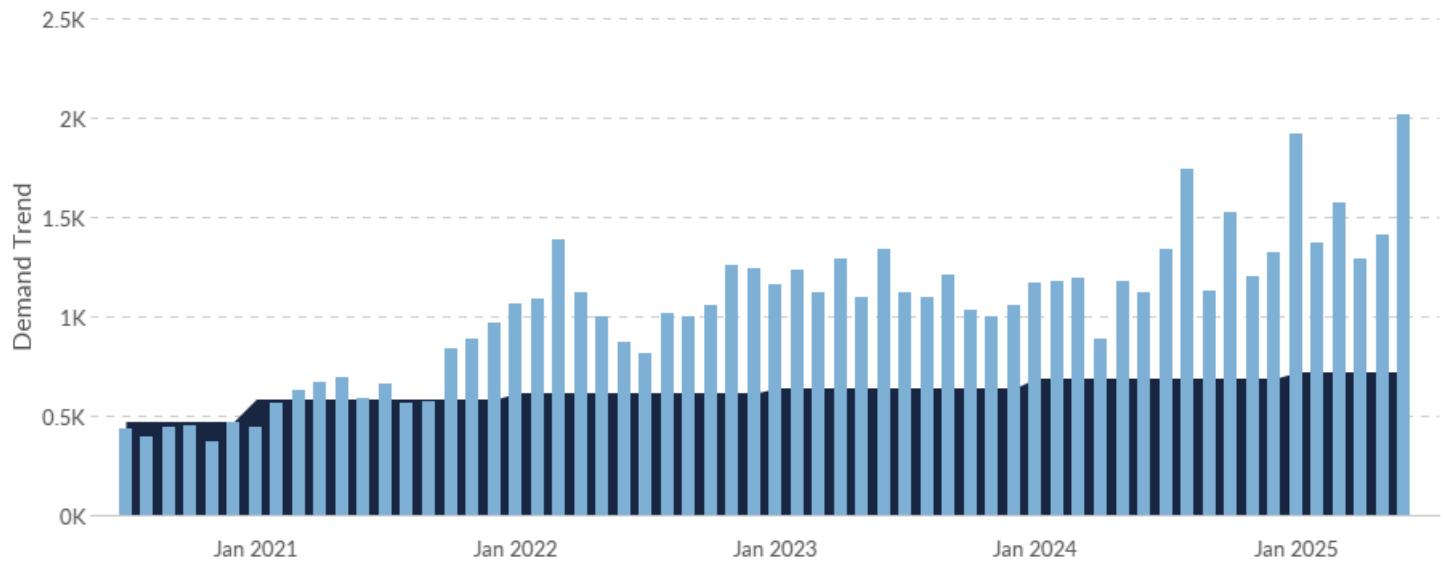
Posting duration is 2 days shorter than what's typical in the region.



Monthly Unique Postings



Estimated Hires Per Month*



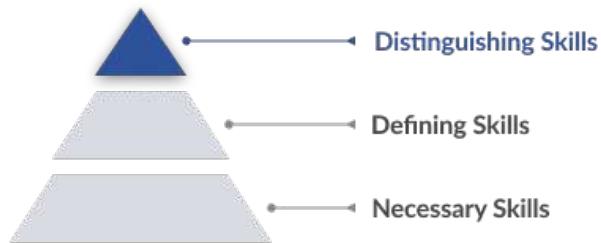
Occupation	Avg Monthly Postings (Jan 2024 - Jun 2025)	Avg Monthly Hires (Jan 2024 - Jun 2025)
Nurse Practitioners	1,366	693

*A hire is reported by the Quarterly Workforce Indicators when an individual's Social Security Number appears on a company's payroll and was not there the quarter before. Lightcast hires are calculated using a combination of Lightcast jobs data, information on separation rates from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), and industry-based hires data from the Census Bureau.

Top Companies	Unique Postings	Top Job Titles	Unique Postings
Hartford HealthCare	2,786 	Nurse Practitioners	3,871 
Optum	1,025 	Nurse Practitioners/Physician A...	3,369 
Matrix Medical Network	594 	Psychiatric Nurse Practitioners	1,929 
Maine Medical Center	589 	Nurse Practitioners/Advanced P...	1,373 
LifeStance Health	566 	Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse...	987 
UnitedHealth Group	562 	Family Nurse Practitioners	661 
CompHealth	559 	Primary Care Nurse Practitioner...	592 
Northeast Healthcare Recruitme...	372 	Urgent Care Nurse Practitioners...	543 
Yale New Haven Health	371 	Primary Care Nurse Practitioners	459 
Beth Israel Lahey Health	363 	Urgent Care Nurse Practitioners	443 

Top Distinguishing Skills by Demand

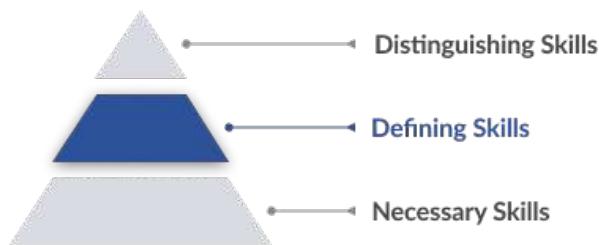
An occupation's Distinguishing Skills are the advanced skills that are called for occasionally. An employee with these skills is likely more specialized and able to differentiate themselves from others in the same role.



Skill	Salary Boosting	Job Postings Requesting	Projected Growth	Growth Relative to Market
Psychiatric And Mental Health Nursing	✖	2,294	+7.3%	Stable
Gerontology	✖	1,699	+8.9%	Growing
Follow-Up Care	✖	1,396	+21.8%	Rapidly Growing
Diagnostic Tests	✖	1,281	+9.6%	Growing
Preventive Care	✖	1,201	+2.1%	Lagging
Surgical Suturing	✖	1,153	+17.5%	Growing
Endocrinology	✖	1,075	+1.9%	Lagging
Telehealth	✖	1,061	+12.1%	Growing
Hospital Medicine	✖	802	+18.3%	Growing
Medical Management	✖	764	+13.2%	Growing

Top Defining Skills by Demand

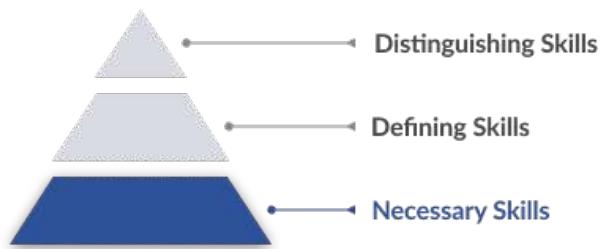
An occupation's Defining Skills represent the day-to-day tasks and responsibilities of the job. An employee needs these skills to qualify for and perform successfully in this occupation.



Skill	Salary Boosting	Job Postings Requesting	Projected Growth	Growth Relative to Market
Nurse Practitioner (APRN-CNP)	✖	20,535	+10.4%	Growing
Nursing	✖	7,579	+20.1%	Rapidly Growing
Primary Care	✖	7,209	+11.3%	Growing
Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	✖	6,253	+6.2%	Stable
Board Certified/Board Eligible	✖	5,464	+18.7%	Growing
Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)	✖	4,316	+16.5%	Growing
Basic Life Support (BLS) Certification	✖	3,938	+13.9%	Growing
Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) License	✖	3,563	+11.7%	Growing
Urgent Care	✖	3,299	+15.1%	Growing
Medical History Documentation	✖	3,137	+9.9%	Growing

Top Necessary Skills by Demand

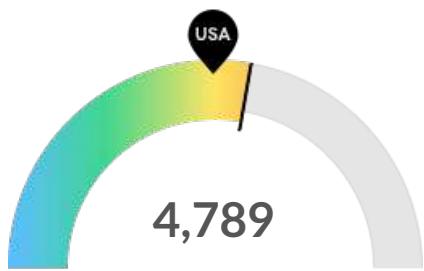
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Skill	Salary Boosting	Job Postings Requesting	Projected Growth	Growth Relative to Market
Medical Records	✖	3,407	+12.5%	Growing
Treatment Planning	✖	3,400	+6.7%	Stable
Electronic Medical Record	✖	3,384	+12.1%	Growing
Geriatrics	✖	3,306	+10.5%	Growing
Patient Education And Counseling	✖	3,214	+11.6%	Growing
Psychiatry	✖	2,987	+18.8%	Growing
Registered Nurse (RN)	✖	2,841	+18.1%	Growing
Patient Treatment	✖	2,351	+9.1%	Growing
Mental Health	✖	2,305	+13.2%	Growing
Medication Administration	✖	2,151	+14.3%	Growing

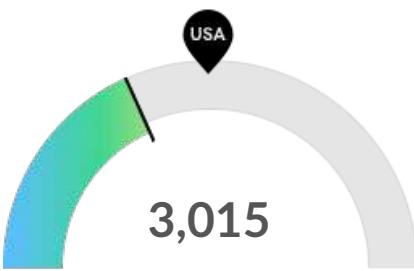
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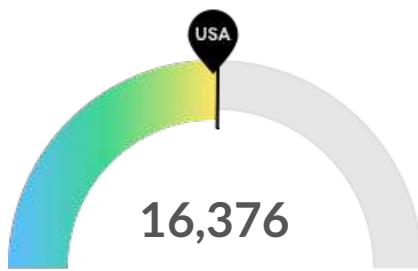
Retiring Soon

Retirement risk is high in your area. The national average for an area this size is 4,091* employees 55 or older, while there are 4,789 here.



Racial Diversity

Racial diversity is low in your area. The national average for an area this size is 4,583* racially diverse employees, while there are 3,015 here.

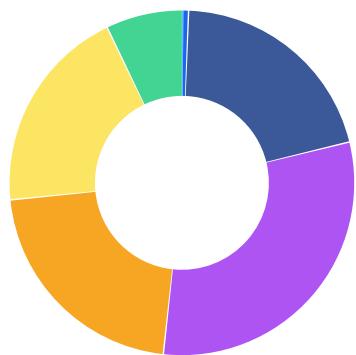


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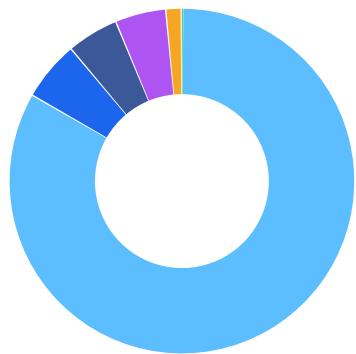
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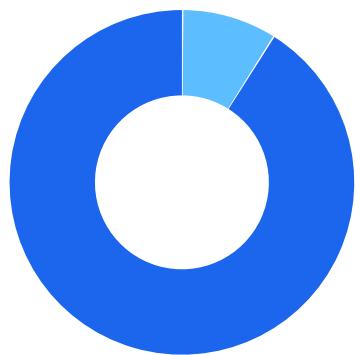
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35-44	30.5%	5,487
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65+	7.2%	1,295

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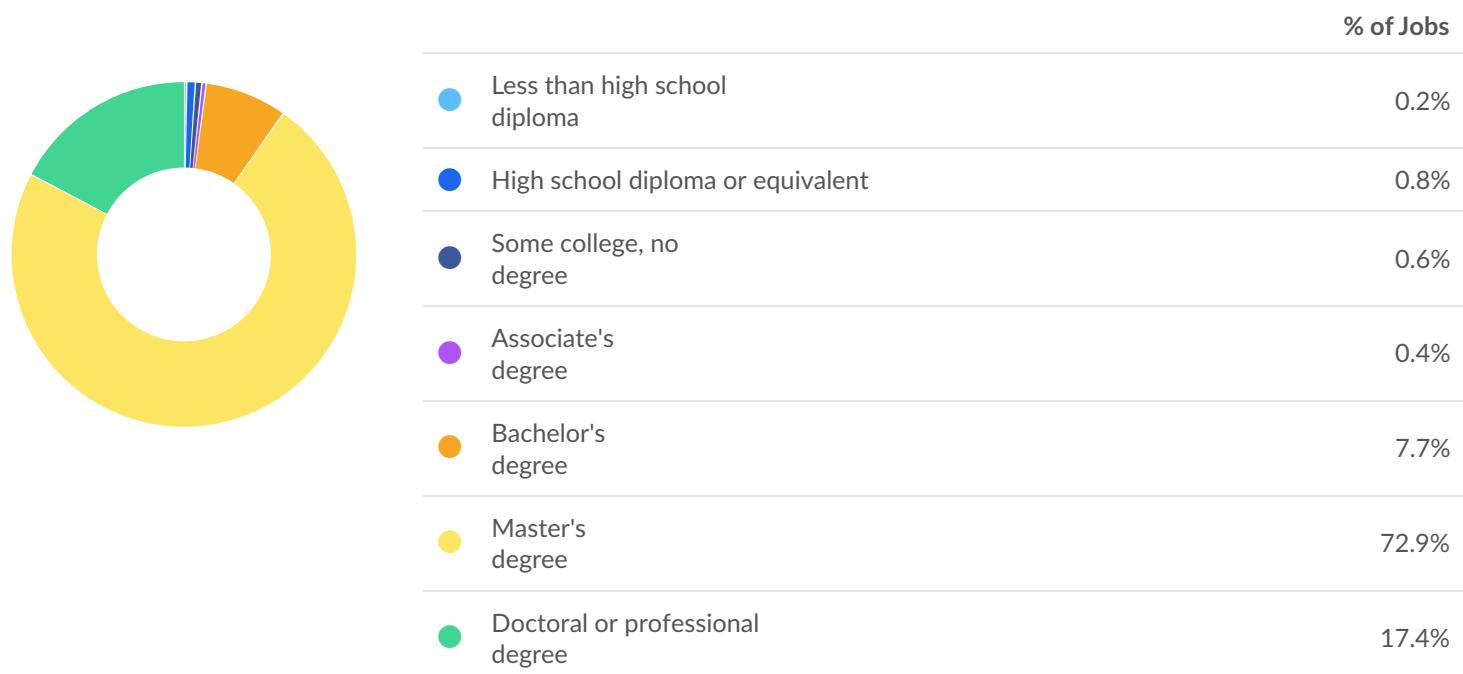
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American Indian or Alaska Native	0.1%	18
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Males	8.9%	1,596
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51.3809	Pediatric Nurse/Nursing	15 <div style="width: 5%; background-color: #0070C0; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"></div>

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Regis College	879	
Southern New Hampshire University	632	
Simmons University	552	
Connecticut State Community College	476	
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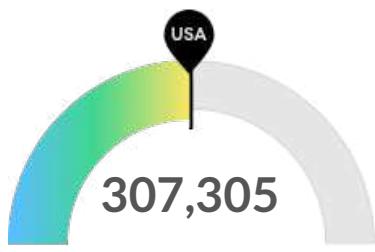
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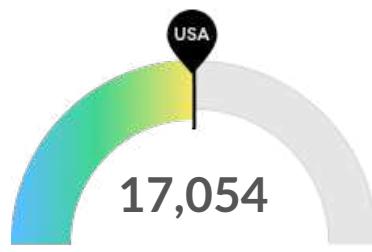
Jobs (2024)

United States is about average for this kind of job. The national average for an area this size is 307,305* employees, while there are 307,305 here.



Compensation

Earnings are about average in United States. The national median salary for Nurse Practitioners is \$129,210, compared to \$129,210 here.



Job Posting Demand

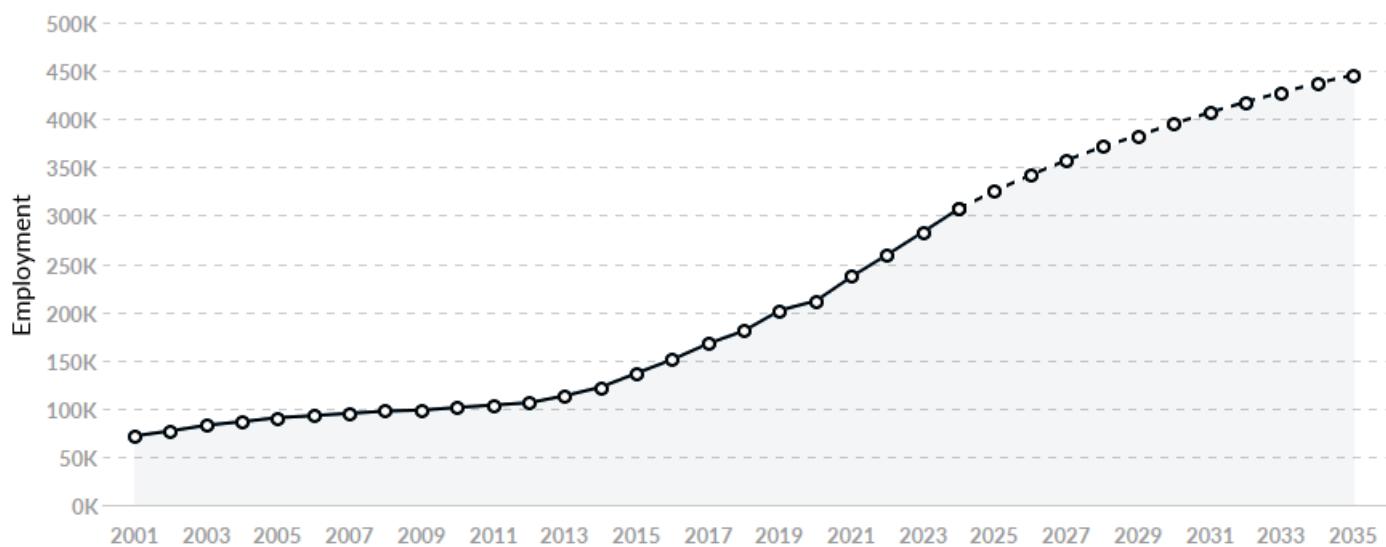
Job posting activity is about average in United States. The national average for an area this size is 17,054* job postings/mo, while there are 17,054 here.

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Jobs

Regional Employment Is About Equal to the National Average

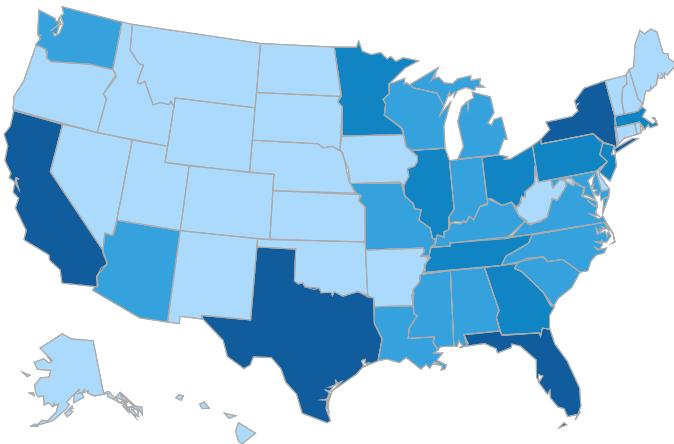
An average area of this size typically has 307,305* jobs, while there are 307,305 here.



Region	2024 Jobs	2034 Jobs	Change	% Change
● United States	307,305	437,057	129,752	42.2%
● National Average	307,305	437,057	129,752	42.2%

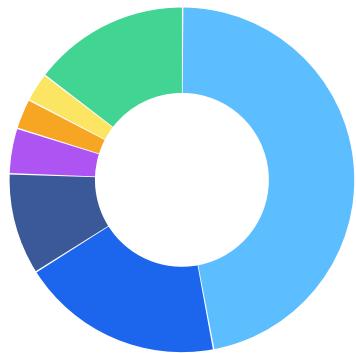
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Regional Breakdown



State	2024 Jobs
Florida	24,713
Texas	21,752
California	21,112
New York	20,622
Ohio	14,555

Most Jobs are Found in the Offices of Physicians Industry Sector

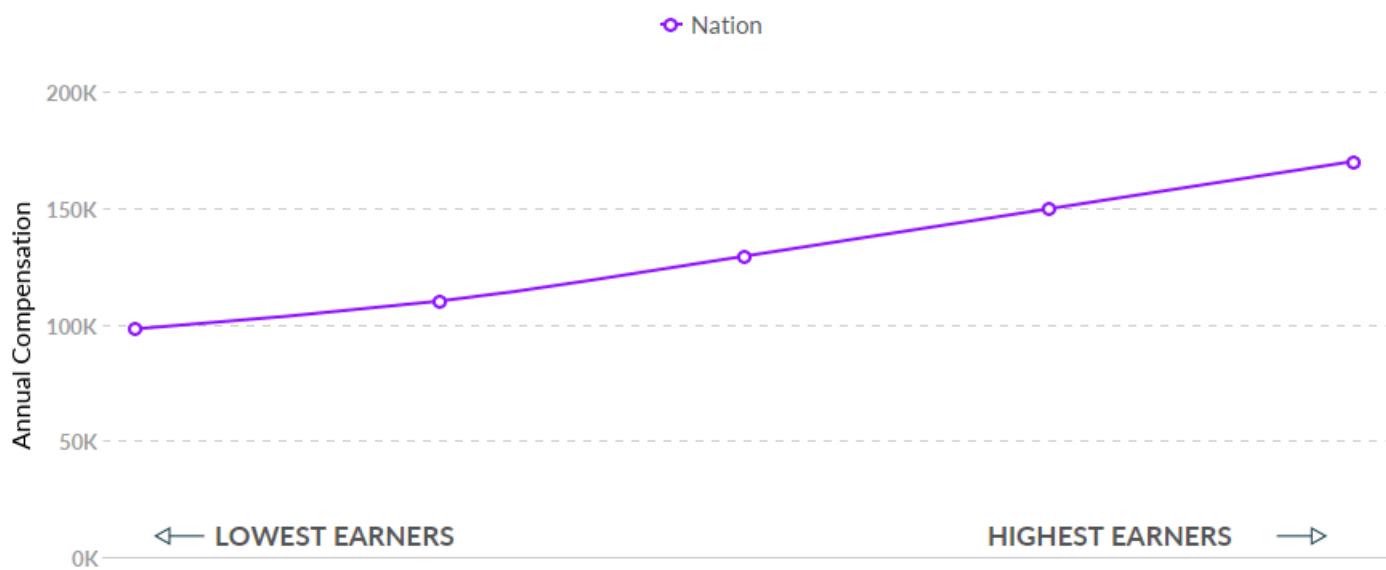


Industry	% of Occupation in Industry (2024)
Offices of Physicians	47.0%
General Medical and Surgical Hospitals	19.0%
Outpatient Care Centers	9.5%
Offices of Other Health Practitioners	4.3%
Education and Hospitals (Local Government)	2.8%
Education and Hospitals (State Government)	2.7%
Other	14.7%

Compensation

Regional Compensation Is the Same Cost as the Nation

In 2024, the median compensation for Nurse Practitioners in the United States is \$129,210.



Job Posting Activity



306,977 Unique Job Postings

The number of unique postings for this job from Jan 2024 to Jun 2025.



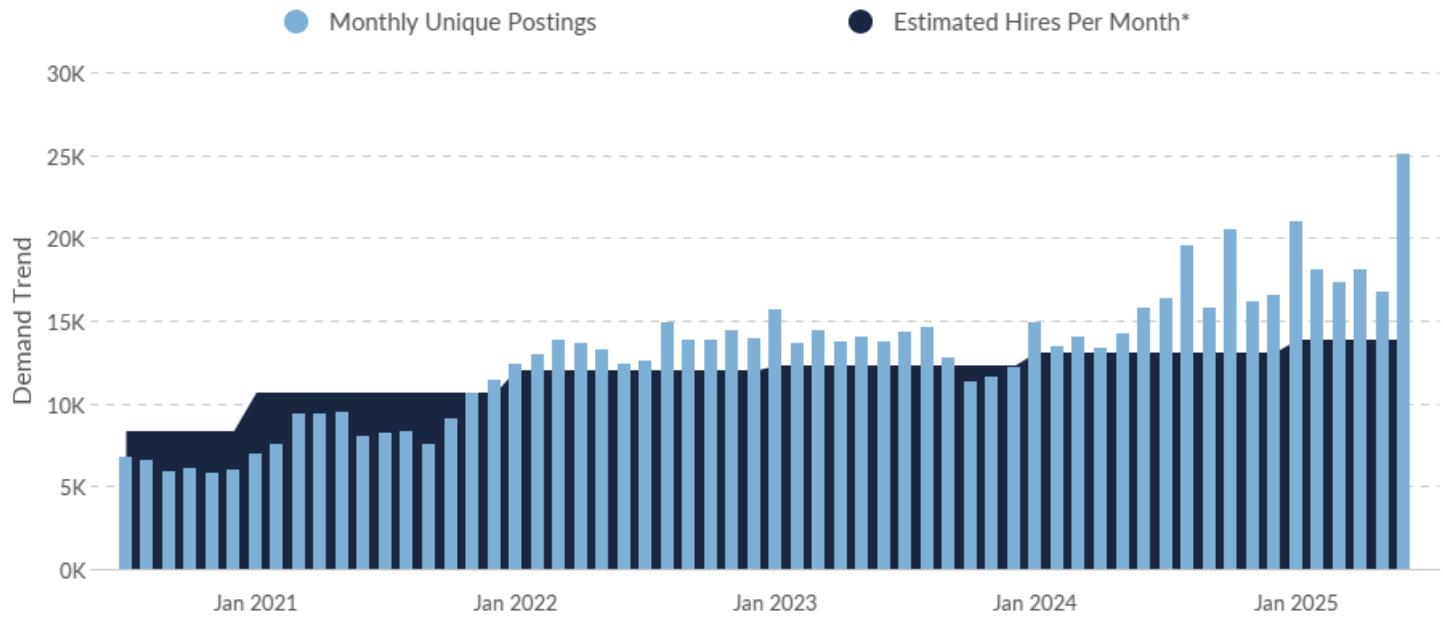
16,194 Employers Competing

All employers in the region who posted for this job from Jan 2024 to Jun 2025.



24 Day Median Duration

Posting duration is 1 day shorter than what's typical in the region.



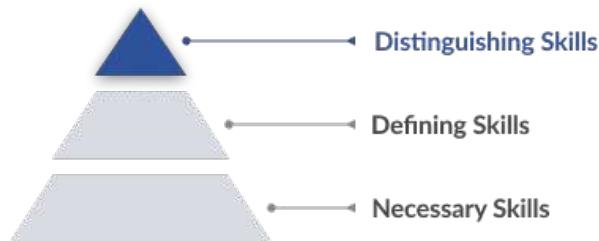
Occupation	Avg Monthly Postings (Jan 2024 - Jun 2025)	Avg Monthly Hires (Jan 2024 - Jun 2025)
Nurse Practitioners	17,054	13,303

*A hire is reported by the Quarterly Workforce Indicators when an individual's Social Security Number appears on a company's payroll and was not there the quarter before. Lightcast hires are calculated using a combination of Lightcast jobs data, information on separation rates from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), and industry-based hires data from the Census Bureau.

Top Companies	Unique Postings	Top Job Titles	Unique Postings
Optum	8,683 	Nurse Practitioners	69,487 
UnitedHealth Group	6,463 	Nurse Practitioners/Physician A...	29,752 
Matrix Medical Network	5,869 	Psychiatric Nurse Practitioners	15,931 
CompHealth	5,260 	Family Nurse Practitioners	14,170 
Geisinger Health System	4,556 	Nurse Practitioners/Advanced P...	13,514 
Headway	3,809 	Advanced Practice Providers	9,642 
Hartford HealthCare	3,555 	Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse...	8,673 
BrightSpring Health Services	3,534 	Primary Care Nurse Practitioners	5,493 
Fast Pace Health	3,418 	Urgent Care Nurse Practitioners...	4,600 
LifeStance Health	2,863 	Urgent Care Nurse Practitioners	4,431 

Top Distinguishing Skills by Demand

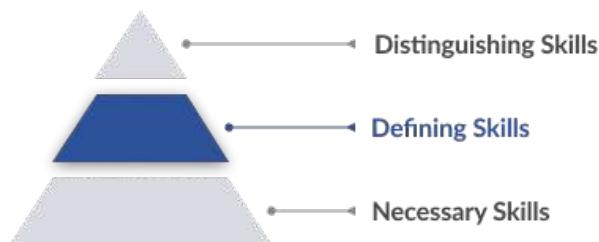
An occupation's Distinguishing Skills are the advanced skills that are called for occasionally. An employee with these skills is likely more specialized and able to differentiate themselves from others in the same role.



Skill	Salary Boosting	Job Postings Requesting	Projected Growth	Growth Relative to Market
Psychiatric And Mental Health Nursing	✖	19,756	+7.3%	Stable
Preventive Care	✖	19,525	+2.1%	Lagging
Telehealth	✖	19,440	+12.1%	Growing
Follow-Up Care	✖	18,193	+21.8%	Rapidly Growing
Gerontology	✖	17,033	+8.9%	Growing
Diagnostic Tests	✖	16,722	+9.6%	Growing
Surgical Suturing	✖	16,407	+17.5%	Growing
Medical Management	✖	13,588	+13.2%	Growing
Clinical Assessments	✖	12,963	+11.3%	Growing
Health Promotion	✖	12,552	+12.2%	Growing

Top Defining Skills by Demand

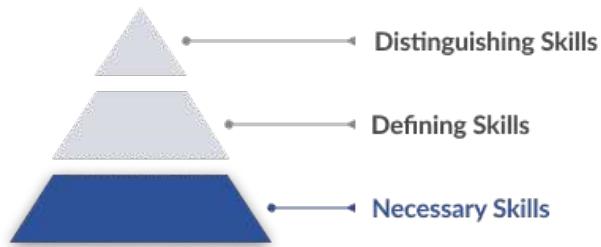
An occupation's Defining Skills represent the day-to-day tasks and responsibilities of the job. An employee needs these skills to qualify for and perform successfully in this occupation.



Skill	Salary Boosting	Job Postings Requesting	Projected Growth	Growth Relative to Market
Nurse Practitioner (APRN-CNP)	✖	257,708	+10.4%	Growing
Nursing	✖	103,686	+20.1%	Rapidly Growing
Primary Care	✖	87,392	+11.3%	Growing
Basic Life Support (BLS) Certification	✖	66,556	+13.9%	Growing
Board Certified/Board Eligible	✖	60,105	+18.7%	Growing
Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)	✖	49,427	+16.5%	Growing
Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	✖	47,917	+6.2%	Stable
Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) License	✖	46,805	+11.7%	Growing
ANCC Certified	✖	40,344	+11.3%	Growing
Medical History Documentation	✖	37,308	+9.9%	Growing

Top Necessary Skills by Demand

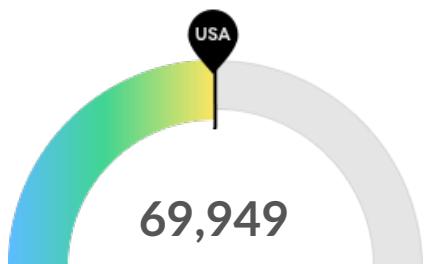
An occupation's Necessary Skills are the specialized skills required for that job and relevant across other similar jobs. An employee needs these skills as building blocks to perform the more complex Defining Skills.



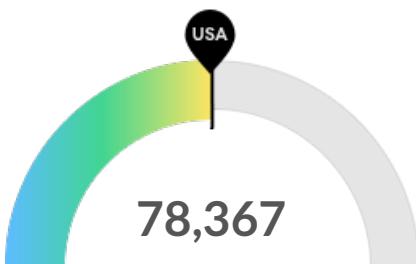
Skill	Salary Boosting	Job Postings Requesting	Projected Growth	Growth Relative to Market
Medical Records	✖	60,846	+12.5%	Growing
Treatment Planning	✖	52,136	+6.7%	Stable
Patient Education And Counseling	✖	51,218	+11.6%	Growing
Electronic Medical Record	✖	46,541	+12.1%	Growing
Registered Nurse (RN)	✖	40,683	+18.1%	Growing
Geriatrics	✖	38,276	+10.5%	Growing
Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS) Certification	✖	32,820	+12.3%	Growing
Clinical Experience	✖	27,832	+9.4%	Growing
Psychiatry	✖	26,511	+18.8%	Growing
Mental Health	✖	25,143	+13.2%	Growing

Demographics

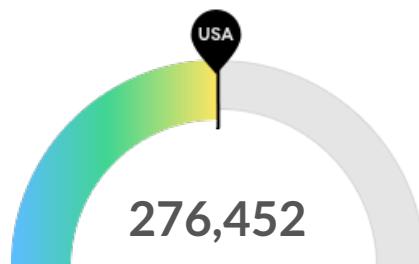
Retirement Risk Is About Average, While Overall Diversity Is About Average



Retirement risk is about average in the United States. The national average for an area this size is 69,949* employees 55 or older, while there are 69,949 here.



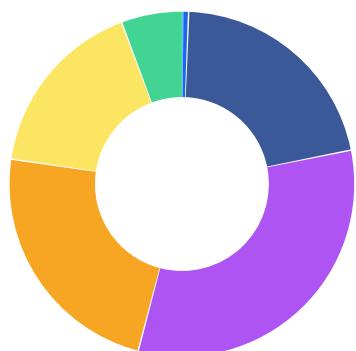
Racial diversity is about average in the United States. The national average for an area this size is 78,367* racially diverse employees, while there are 78,367 here.



Gender diversity is about average in the United States. The national average for an area this size is 276,452* female employees, while there are 276,452 here.

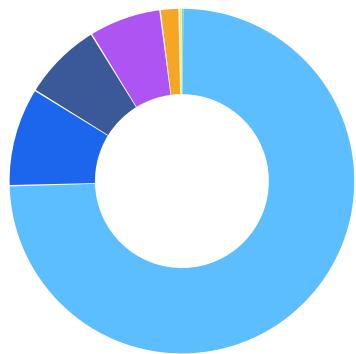
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Occupation Age Breakdown



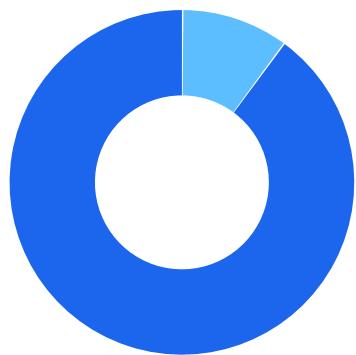
	% of Jobs	Jobs
14-18	0.0%	8
19-24	0.6%	1,699
25-34	21.2%	65,218
35-44	32.2%	99,060
45-54	23.2%	71,371
55-64	17.0%	52,284
65+	5.7%	17,665

Occupation Race/Ethnicity Breakdown



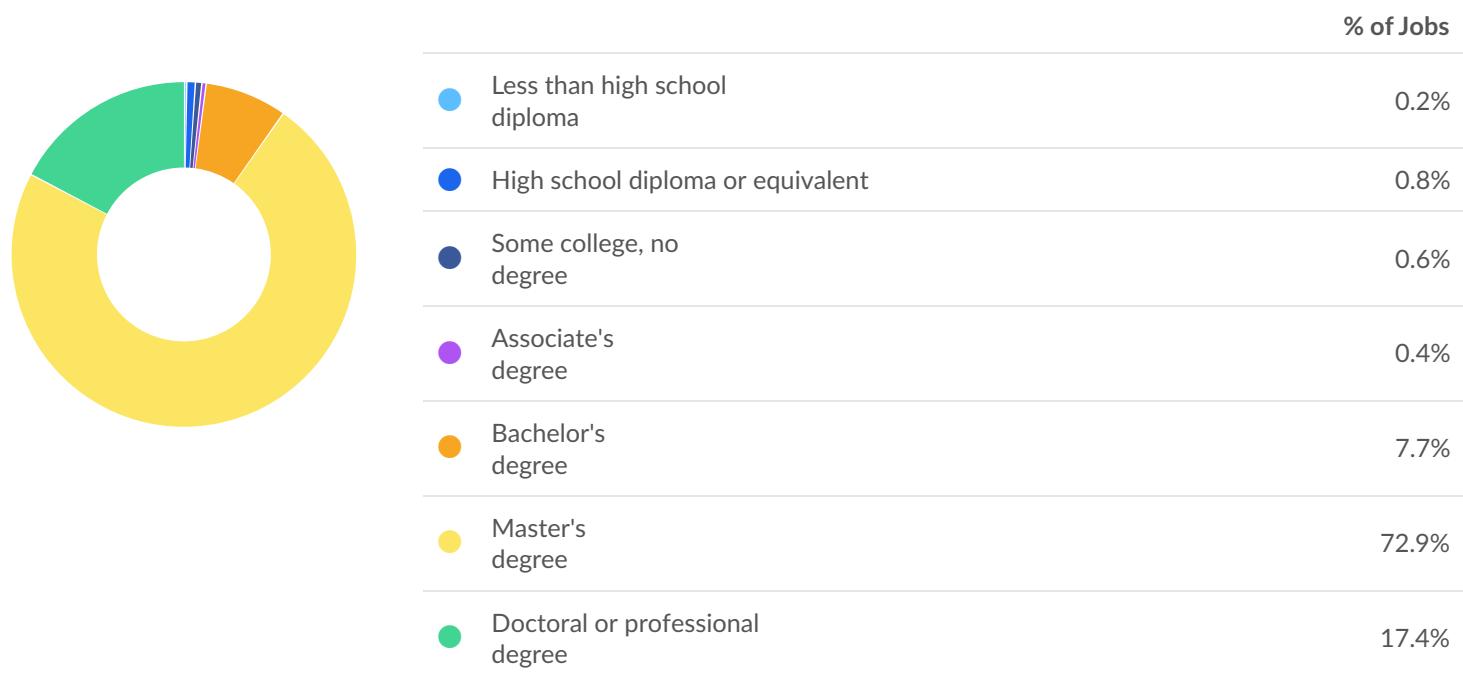
	% of Jobs	Jobs
White	74.5%	228,938
Black or African American	9.2%	28,403
Hispanic or Latino	7.4%	22,743
Asian	6.8%	20,779
Two or More Races	1.8%	5,442
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.3%	827
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.1%	174

Occupation Gender Breakdown



	% of Jobs	Jobs
Males	10.0%	30,854
Females	90.0%	276,452

National Educational Attainment



Occupational Programs



15 Programs

Of the programs that can train for this job, 15 have produced completions in the last 5 years.



293,125 Completions (2023)

The completions from all regional institutions for all degree types.



39,155 Openings (2023)

The average number of openings for an occupation in the region is 29,085.

CIP Code	Top Programs	Completions (2023)
51.3801	Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	250,462 <div style="width: 80%; background-color: #0070C0; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"></div>
51.3805	Family Practice Nurse/Nursing	14,970 <div style="width: 5%; background-color: #0070C0; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"></div>
51.3818	Nursing Practice	9,195 <div style="width: 2%; background-color: #0070C0; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"></div>
51.3899	Registered Nursing, Nursing Administration, Nursing Resear...	4,347 <div style="width: 1%; background-color: #0070C0; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"></div>
51.3808	Nursing Science	3,542 <div style="width: 1%; background-color: #0070C0; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"></div>
51.3810	Psychiatric/Mental Health Nurse/Nursing	3,245 <div style="width: 1%; background-color: #0070C0; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"></div>
51.1105	Pre-Nursing Studies	3,044 <div style="width: 1%; background-color: #0070C0; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"></div>
51.3803	Adult Health Nurse/Nursing	2,159 <div style="width: 1%; background-color: #0070C0; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"></div>
51.3814	Critical Care Nursing	591 <div style="width: 1%; background-color: #0070C0; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"></div>
51.3821	Geriatric Nurse/Nursing	558 <div style="width: 1%; background-color: #0070C0; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"></div>

Top Schools**Completions (2023)**

Chamberlain University-Illinois	9,250	
Western Governors University	8,244	
Capella University	5,739	
Walden University	4,972	
Grand Canyon University	4,744	
The University of Texas at Arlington	3,789	
Ohio University-Main Campus	1,599	
Rasmussen University-Florida	1,496	
University of South Alabama	1,419	
Galen College of Nursing-Louisville	1,395	

Appendix A

Nurse Practitioners (SOC 29-1171):

Diagnose and treat acute, episodic, or chronic illness, independently or as part of a healthcare team. May focus on health promotion and disease prevention. May order, perform, or interpret diagnostic tests such as lab work and x rays. May prescribe medication. Must be registered nurses who have specialized graduate education.

Sample of Reported Job Titles:

Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (PNP)
Nurse Practitioner (NP)
Gastroenterology Nurse Practitioner
Cardiology Nurse Practitioner
Adult Nurse Practitioner
Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)
CPNP (Certified Pediatric Nurse Practitioner)
Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN)
Advanced Practice Nurse (APN)
ACNP (Acute Care Nurse Practitioner)

Related O*NET Occupation:

Nurse Practitioners (29-1171.00)

Appendix B - Data Sources and Calculations

Location Quotient

Location quotient (LQ) is a way of quantifying how concentrated a particular industry, cluster, occupation, or demographic group is in a region as compared to the nation. It can reveal what makes a particular region unique in comparison to the national average.

Occupation Data

Lightcast occupation employment data are based on final Lightcast industry data and final Lightcast staffing patterns. Wage estimates are based on Occupational Employment Statistics (QCEW and Non-QCEW Employees classes of worker) and the American Community Survey (Self-Employed and Extended Proprietors). Occupational wage estimates are also affected by county-level Lightcast earnings by industry.

Staffing Patterns Data

The staffing pattern data in this report are compiled from several sources using a specialized process. For QCEW and Non-QCEW Employees classes of worker, sources include Occupational Employment Statistics, the National Industry-Occupation Employment Matrix, and the American Community Survey. For the Self-Employed and Extended Proprietors classes of worker, the primary source is the American Community Survey, with a small amount of information from Occupational Employment Statistics.

Cost of Living Data

Lightcast's cost of living data is based on the Cost of Living Index published by the Council for Community and Economic Research (C2ER).

Lightcast Job Postings

Job postings are collected from various sources and processed/enriched to provide information such as standardized company name, occupation, skills, and geography.

Institution Data

The institution data in this report is taken directly from the national IPEDS database published by the U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics.

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EDUCATION –DEGREE

Year	Degree	Institution	Major/Minor	Role Preparation
2024	PhD	University of Maine	Nursing Education	Researcher
2018	MSN	University of Maine	Nursing	Family Nurse Practitioner
2014	BSN	University of Maine	Nursing/theatre	Professional Nurse

EDUCATION – CERTIFICATE

2019	Grad. Cert.	University of Maine	Nursing Education	Nurse Educator
2015	Grad. Cert.	University of Maine	Gerontology	Interdisciplinary Aging Care

LICENSURE & CERTIFICATION

Initial Date	License/Certification	Organization	Expiration
07/2021	Certified Nurse Educator	National League of Nursing	12/31/2026
07/2018	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	State of Maine Board of Nursing	01/19/2026
06/2018	Family Nurse Practitioner	American Association of Nurse Practitioners	06/28/2028
06/2018	Family Nurse Practitioner	American Nurses Credentialing Center	06/17/2028
06/2014	Registered Professional Nurse	State of Maine Board of Nursing	01/19/2026
06/2014	Advanced Cardiac Life Support Provider	American Heart Association	12/01/2026

EMPLOYMENT

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

07/2023 – Present **Program Director**, Advanced Nursing Education Workforce Program, University of Maine School of Nursing, Orono, ME

07/2023 – Present **Associate**, University of Maine Center on Aging, Orono, ME

09/2021 – Present	FNP Track Coordinator , University of Maine School of Nursing, Orono, ME
09/2021 – Present	Clinical Assistant Faculty , University of Maine School of Nursing, Orono, ME
08/2019 – 08/2021	Part Time Lecturer , University of Maine School of Nursing, Orono, ME
08/2018 – 08/2019	Adjunct Lecturer , University of Maine School of Nursing, Orono, ME
08/2018 – Present	Graduate Faculty , University of Maine Graduate School, Orono, ME

NON-ACADEMIC AND CLINICAL APPOINTMENTS

09/2025 – Present	Nurse Practitioner (Per diem), Medicine Professional Services, Northern Light Acadia Hospital, Bangor, ME
07/2018 – Present	Nurse Practitioner (0.75 FTE), Family Medicine, Northern Light Primary Care University of Maine, Orono, ME
06/2014 – 07/2018	Registered Nurse , Per diem, Intensive Care Unit, Northern Light Eastern Maine Medical Center, Bangor, ME
05/2014 – 05/2017	Graduate Assistant , NCDA Certified Career Consultant, Career Center, University of Maine Division of Student Life, Orono, ME

PUBLICATIONS

PEER REVIEWED

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Manuscripts under review

COURSES TAUGHT

University of Maine

Semester	Course	Course Name	Enrollment	Role
Fall 2025	NUR 200-0001	Care of Adults 1	26	Instructor
Summer 2025	NUR 503-0008	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Lecture	15	Instructor
Summer 2025	NUR 531-0001	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Lab	15	Instructor
Summer 2025	NUR 532-0001	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Clinical	10	Instructor
Spring 2025	NUR 200-0001	Care of Adults 1	56	Instructor
Fall 2024	NUR 200-0001	Care of Adults 1	25	Instructor
Summer 2024	NUR 503-0008	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Lecture	6	Instructor
Summer 2024	NUR 531-0001	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Lab	6	Instructor
Summer 2024	NUR 532-0001	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Clinical	6	Instructor
Spring 2024	NUR 524-001	NP Mgmt. of Neonate to Adolescent Clinical	6	Coordinator
Fall 2023	NUR 200-0001	Care of Adults 1	34	Instructor
Summer 2023	NUR 503-0008	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Lecture	7	Instructor

Summer 2023	NUR 531-0001	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Lab	7	Instructor
Summer 2023	NUR 532-0001	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Clinical	6	Instructor
Spring 2023	NUR 200-0001	Care of Adults 1	69	Instructor
Fall 2022	NUR 200-0001	Care of Adults 1	42	Instructor
Summer 2022	NUR 503-0008	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Lecture	7	Instructor
Summer 2022	NUR 531-0001	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Lab	7	Instructor
Summer 2022	NUR 532-0001	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Clinical	7	Instructor
Summer 2022	NUR 521	Women's Health Clinical Supervision	1	Coordinator
Spring 2022	NUR 200-0001	Care of Adults 1	64	Instructor
Fall 2021	NUR 200-0001	Care of Adults 1	32	Instructor
Summer 2021	NUR 503-0001	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Lecture	10	Instructor
Summer 2021	NUR 531-0001	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Lab	10	Instructor
Summer 2021	NUR 532-0001	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Clinical	4	Instructor
Spring 2021	NUR 200-0001	Care of Adults I Lecture	63	Instructor
Spring 2021	NUR 202-0001	Application of Theory to Nursing Practice I Lab	29	Course Coordinator
Spring 2021	NUR 202-0002	Application of Theory to Nursing Practice I Lab	32	Course Coordinator
Fall 2020	NUR 503-0001	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Lecture	10	Instructor
Fall 2020	NUR 531-0001	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Lab	11	Instructor
Fall 2020	NUR 532-0001	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Clinical	10	Instructor
Fall 2020	NUR 200-0001	Care of Adults I Lecture	39	Instructor
Fall 2020	NUR 202-0001	Application of Theory to Nursing Practice I Lab	19	Course Coordinator
Fall 2020	NUR 202-0002	Application of Theory to Nursing Practice I Lab	20	Course Coordinator
Spring 2020	NUR 200-0001	Care of Adults I Lecture	74	Instructor

Fall 2019	NUR 503-0001	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Lecture	13	Instructor
Fall 2019	NUR 503-1001	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Lab	13	Instructor
Fall 2019	NUR 503-0002	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Clinical	11	Instructor
Fall 2019	NUR 200-0001	Care of Adults I Lecture	33	Instructor
Spring 2019	NUR 102-0001	Foundations of Nursing Practice I Lab	17	Instructor
Spring 2019	NUR 102-0003	Foundations of Nursing Practice I Lab	15	Instructor
Spring 2019	NUR 102-0006	Foundations of Nursing Practice I Lab	11	Instructor
Fall 2018	NUR 503-0001	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Lecture	16	Instructor
Fall 2018	NUR 503-1001	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Lab	16	Instructor
Fall 2018	NUR 503-0002	Advanced Health Appraisal and Physical Assessment Clinical	13	Instructor

ADVISING

Date	Student	Title	Level	Role
2025	Lindsay Beaulieu Nursing	Home Medication Safety: Opportunity For Provider Education Regarding Storage and Disposal	FNP Capstone	Advisor
2024	Sheri Tarr Nursing	Enhancing Cardiac Rehabilitation: Promoting Psychological Well-Being Across Diverse Cardiac Conditions Through Mindfulness-Based Interventions	FNP Capstone	Advisor
2024	Ottilia Boros Nursing	Clinical Applications of Ketogenic Diet and Medium Chain Triglyceride Supplementation in Patients with Mild to Moderate Alzheimer's Disease	FNP Capstone	Advisor
2022	Sarah Hanscome Nursing	Simulation-Based Learning in Nursing Education	MSN Educator Capstone	Committee
2022	Christopher Gooley Nursing	Electronic Cigarette Use in Adolescents/ Young Adults, Health Effects, and Solutions for Cessation	FNP Capstone	Advisor
2022	Amanda Theriault Nursing	Treating Depression in Patients with End Stage Renal Disease Using Mindfulness Practices	FNP Capstone	Advisor
2020	Devon Malay Nursing	Obstructive Sleep Apnea in Primary Care: Effective Screening and Treatment	FNP Capstone	Advisor

		of Adult Patients		
2019	Jessica Barry Nursing	The Mediterranean Type Diet and Moderate Intensity Exercise to Reduce Risk of Alzheimer's Disease	FNP Capstone	Committee

GRANTS/SUB-AWARDS

Date	Role	Title	Agency	Type	Amount
2023	Principle Investigator/ Program Director	Increasing Rural Maine's Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Workforce (ANEW Program)	US Dept of Health & Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration	Extramural	\$1.9 million (Awarded)
2022	Subrecipient/ Mini Grant	Micro-Credential Development mini- grant team member: Mental Health for All-- Clinician Resources [ON HOLD]	University of Maine System	Intramural	\$10,000 (Awarded)
2021	Subrecipient/ Mini Grant	Increasing Diversity in Nursing Education: DEI Course Modification	University of Maine	Intramural	\$5,000 (Awarded)
2020	Subrecipient /Academic Partner	AgingME Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Program (GWEP): Simulation development for FNP program	University of Maine	Intramural	

PRESENTATIONS AND MEDIA CONTRIBUTIONS

Date	Type	Title	Conference/Meeting/ Agency	Refereed/ Invited
09/2025	Newspaper Article; Expert Commentary	Caruso, K. More older Mainers are falling and dying. Here's what you need to know. [Link]	Sun Journal, Lewiston, ME	Invited
08/2025	Presentation	Sibley, S. & Hudson, K. Building a Wellness Toolbox for College.	Mitchell Institute Leadership Experience III, Orono, ME	Invited

06/2025	Poster	Sibley, S., Robinson, K., Fairman, J., Nye, C., Poirier, P., & Strout, K. Preparing for clinical placements and transition to practice with objective structured clinical examinations: A qualitative study of family nurse practitioner students.	International Nursing Association for Clinical Simulation and Learning	Refereed
05/2025	News Segment	Sibley, S. UMaine working to bolster state's nursing workforce - Live. [Link]	FOX ABC Maine	Invited
04/2025	Poster	Sibley, S., Robinson, K., Fairman, J., Nye, C., Poirier, P., & Strout, K. Preparing for clinical placements and transition to practice with objective structured clinical examinations: A qualitative study of family nurse practitioner students.	NONPF Annual Conference	Refereed
03/2025	News Segment	Sibley, S. Healthy Living: Dangers of Binge Drinking [Link]	WABI TV 5 Bangor	Invited
03/2025	Presentation	Sibley, S., McAuliff, A., & Ortiz-Burnham, A. Embracing Non-linear Paths	Mitchell Institute Leadership Experience II	Invited
01/2025	News Segment	Sibley, S. Nurse practitioners needed across Maine to help support patients [Link]	News Center Maine	Invited
12/2024	News Segment	Sibley, S. Dry January [Link]	WABI TV 5 Bangor	Invited
11/2024	Poster	Sibley, S., Robinson, K., Fairman, J., Nye, C., Poirier, P., & Strout, K. Preparing for Clinical Placements and Transition to Practice with Objective Structured Clinical Examinations: A Qualitative Study of Family Nurse Practitioner Students.	UMS Nursing Research Symposium, Orono, ME	Refereed

11/2024	Poster	Sibley, S, Strout, K., Bonnet, J. Effectiveness of Objective Structured Clinical Examinations and Standardized Patient Simulations for Increasing Learner Knowledge in Family Nurse Practitioner Education An Empty Systematic Review of the Literature	UMS Nursing Research Symposium, Orono, ME	Refereed
11/2024	Poster	Sibley, S. Increasing Rural Maine's Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Workforce.	UMS Nursing Research Symposium, Orono, ME	Refereed
11/2024	Poster	Sibley, S. Increasing Rural Maine's Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Workforce.	University of Maine System Rural Issues Symposium, Orono, ME/Online	Refereed
08/2024	Presentation	Sibley, S. Building a Wellness Toolbox for College.	Mitchell Institute Leadership Experience III, Orono, ME	Invited
06/2024	Presentation	Sibley, S. Red Hot Scrotum: Case Study.	Eastern Maine Medical Center Family Medicine Section Meeting, Online	Invited
06/2024	Presentation	Herbert, V., & Sibley, S. Addressing 4Ms of Age-Friendly Health Systems for Older Adults in FNP Education through Simulation and Future Growth through Grant Funding	University of Maine System Research and Innovation Speaker Series, Online	Invited
04/2024	Poster	Sibley, S., Strout, K., and Bonnet, J. Effectiveness of Objective Structured Clinical Examinations and Standardized Patient Simulations for Increasing Learner Knowledge in Family Nurse Practitioner Education: An Empty Systematic Review of the Literature	UMaine Student Symposium, Orono, ME	Invited

04/2024	Presentation	Sibley, S. Increasing Rural Maine's Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Workforce with Advanced Nursing Education Workforce (ANEW) Grant	UMaine Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) Mini-Conference, Orono, ME	Invited
03/2024	Presentation	Sibley, S. Objective Structured Critical Examinations in Family Nurse Practitioner Education (LINK)	3-Minute Thesis Competition, University of Maine, Orono, ME	Refereed
01/2024	Panel	Bangor High School: Strength through Inclusion: A panel and discussion for parents and guardians of Bangor School's LGBTQ+ students	K-12 Education Event, Bangor, ME	Invited
10/2023	Poster	Sibley, S., Strout, K., and Bonnet, J. Effectiveness of Objective Structured Clinical Examinations and Standardized Patient Simulations for Increasing Learner Knowledge in Family Nurse Practitioner Education: An Empty Systematic Review of the Literature	Second Maine Research Symposium on Biomedical Science and Engineering, Orono, ME	Refereed
07/2023	Workshop	Sibley, S. Stepping Up to Healthcare in Adulthood	UMaine/DOL Step Up Program, Orono, ME	Invited
05/2023	Panel	Bangor High School: Strength through Inclusion: A panel and discussion for parents and guardians of Bangor High School's LGBTQ+ students	K-12 Education Event, Bangor, ME	Invited
03/2023	Poster	Sibley, S. Fostering an Equitable and Inclusive Learning Community	Sigma Theta Tau Omicron Xi at Large Annual Spring Meeting, Bangor, ME	Refereed
03/2023	News Segment	Sharpe, K., Sibley, S., Hudson, K. College officials and health experts concerned about popular drinking trend [Link]	WABI TV 5 Bangor	Invited
11/2022	Poster	Sibley, S. Fostering an Equitable and Inclusive Learning Community	AACN Diversity Symposium, Online	Refereed

04/2022	Recorded Presentation	Sibley, S. Family Nurse Practitioner Student Perceptions of Simulation Based Education	UMaine Student Symposium, Online	Invited
01/2022	News Segment	Sibley, S. Dangers of hypothermia as more cold Maine weather approaching [Link]	WABI TV 5 Bangor	Invited
10/2021	Podium/Poster	Herbert, V., & Sibley, S. Developing Age Friendly Health System Experiences with the 4Ms Framework in FNP Education with Simulation-Based Learning	UMS Nursing Research Symposium, Portland, ME	Refereed
09/2021	Webinar	Camire, M.E., Maxwell, L. A., Pimpton, R., Sibley, S., Solomon, A., Therrin, M. Enhancing Healthcare Access: Adding Telehealth to your Toolkit	Northeast Telehealth Resource Center Series, Online	Invited
10/2018	Workshop	Sibley, S. Social Wellness	Mitchell Institute Leadership Experience I, Millinocket, ME	Invited
10/2016	Podium	Sibley, S. Resumes for Entry Level Nurses	Maine Student Nurses Association Annual Conference, Orono, ME	Invited

HONORS/AWARDS

Date	Award	Organization/Group
2025	Sprit of Maine Achievement Award	University of Maine Alumni Association
2024	Most Outstanding Doctoral Student	University of Maine, Graduate School/School of Nursing
2023	Caring Spirit Award (Nominee)	Northern Light Health Eastern Maine Medical Center
2023	University of Maine Institute of Medicine Summer Fellow (\$9,000)	University of Maine Institute of Medicine
2023	2023 College of Natural Sciences, Forestry, and Agriculture Outstanding Faculty Clinical Sciences Award (\$2,000)	University of Maine, College of Natural Sciences, Forestry, and Agriculture

2022	Susan J. Hunter Graduate Award for the project "Family Nurse Practitioner Student Perceptions of Simulation Based Education" (\$1,000)	University of Maine Student Symposium
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PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Date	Organization	Role
04/2024 – Present	Phi Kappa Phi, Chapter 1 (University of Maine)	Member
05/2024 – Present	MNPA: Professional Development Committee	Co-Chair
11/2023 – 05/2024	MNPA: Public Relations and Membership Committee	Member
09/2023 – Present	International Nursing Association for Clinical Simulation and Learning	Member
09/2018 – Present	National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties	Member
06/2018 – Present	Maine Nurse Practitioner Association (MNPA)	Member
06/2018 – Present	American Association of Nurse Practitioners	Member
06/2014 – Present	American Nurses Association – Maine	Member
04/2014 – Present	Sigma Theta Tau, Omicron Xi Chapter	Member

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SERVICE

Date	Level	Committee	Role
2024 - Present	University	Black Bears Care Council	Member
2024	University	Every Campus a Refuge (ECAR) UMaine Chapter	Co-Curricular Partner
2024	University	Strategic re-envisioning initiative work group: <i>Broaden our audience by optimizing UMaine Online structure and offerings to enhance market position, drive enrollment growth, and improve overall program effectiveness and reach</i>	Appointed Member
2024	University	UMaine Integrated Behavioral Health Summit Planning Committee	Member
2024	University	Faculty, Staff and Student Mental Health and Well-being Task Force (Office of the Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs & Provost)	Appointed Member
2024	College	ELH Dean Review Committee	Appointed Member
2024 – Present	SON	Peer Review Committee	Member
2023 – Present	SON	Policy Advisory Committee (elected Dec. 2023)	Elected Member
2023 – 2024	SON	Pinning Ceremony Planning and Production Team	Member
2023	SON	ANEW Program Coordinator Search Committee	Chair
2023	SON	Lecturer of Nursing Search Committee	Co-Chair
2022	SON	Strategic Planning Committee	Member

2021	SON	Assistant Clinical Professor of Nursing Search Committee	Member
2021 – Present	SON	Full Faculty Committee	Member
2020	SON	Lab Manager Search Committee	Member
2018 – Present	SON	Graduate Faculty, FNP Faculty, and Graduate Curriculum Committees	Member
2014-2015	System	Academic Portfolio Review and Integration Process	Graduate Student Representative
2012-2013	University	Health Services Board	Student Representative
2011-2013	University	LGBT and Allies Council	Co-Chair (2013)

EASTERN MAINE MEDICAL CENTER SERVICE

Date	Level	Committee	Role
2025 – Present	Medical Group	Practitioner Health Committee	Member/APP Representative
2018 – Present	Practice	Practice Steering Committee	Member
2022 - 2024	Practice	Patient Experience Committee	Champion/Member

PUBLICATION EDITORIAL BOARDS AND REVIEW

Date	Journal or Publisher	Role
2024	Nursing Open	Reviewer
2022	Journal of Aging and Social Policy	Reviewer

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Date	Organization	Role
2/22/2024	Maine State Legislature	Provider of the Day
2023 – Present	Sophomore Owls Traditions Society	Advisor
2021 – Present	Maine Beta Upsilon Building Association	President
2019 – 2022	Eastern Maine Medical Center Volunteer Services	Pet Therapy
2016 – 2022	Mitchell Institute Alumni Council	Committee Chair 2018
2015 – Present	Senior Skull Honor Society	Advisor
2014 – 2021	Alpha Tau Omega Beta Upsilon National Fraternity	Chapter Advisor

CONTINUING EDUCATION (NURSING EDUCATION FOCUS)

Date	Program	Organization	Hours

2025	INASCL Annual Conference	International Nursing Association for Clinical Simulation and Learning	12.5
2025	NONPF Annual Conference	National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculty	17
2025	Optimizing Simulation Workload: Best Practices and Practical Tips Webinar	International Nursing Association for Clinical Simulation and Learning	1
2024	NONPF Fall Conference	National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculty	10.25
2024	Developing Clinical Decision-Making Questions for Next Gen NCLEX	Mountain Measurement, Inc.	3
2023	NONPF Fall Conference	National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculty	13.75
2023	AACN Inclusive Teaching Practices Workshop	American Association of Colleges of Nursing	4.5
2022	AACN Diversity Symposium	American Association of Colleges of Nursing	13.25
2022	NONPF Developing a Seamless BSN to DNP Entry to Practice Program	National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculty	14.9
2022	AACN HRSA Grantee Summit: Diversity and Inclusion	American Association of Colleges of Nursing	5.75
2021	NONPF Fall Conference	National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculty	11
2021	AACN Diversity Symposium	American Association of Colleges of Nursing	10
2020	Simulation Innovation Resource Center Courses	National League of Nursing	28
2019	Summer Academy of Adult Learning and Teaching (SAALT)	University of Maine System	18

The School of Performing Arts is requesting a change to its current Master of Music degree program. Currently, the Music Division of the School of Performing Arts offers graduate studies leading to the Master of Music degree with majors in music education (including an optional emphasis in advanced conducting) and performance. This is currently transcribed with the degree listed as Master of Music and the plan as Music Performance major or Music Education major. The proposed change is a relatively minor reorganization, wherein the degree will remain Master of Music, the plan will become Music, and Music Performance and Music Education will become two subplans.

This proposed change is acceptable to the program's accrediting body, and it has the support of Dean Emily Haddad. It has received approval from the college curriculum committee in CLAS. The proposed reorganization is a substantive change of an existing program under APL X-P.2, thus not requiring it to go to the Chancellor or the Board of Trustees for approval, and Faculty Senate review of a change of this nature is not required.

This change will not affect student options in any way, and there is curricular coherence for the proposed change. Indeed, the curriculum requirements of each existing major are very similar. Along the same lines, the two proposed subplans share a common core, and a substantial portion of the remaining coursework is common to both programs (though, to be sure, there is some variation in terms of precisely how particular courses meet subplan requirements). The proposed change will continue to serve the students in the Master of Music degree program and better reflects the curricular realities.

Under this proposal, the status of the optional emphasis in conducting in music education remains unchanged. Because the program is primarily designed for in-service teachers, the Division of Music developed the optional conducting emphasis specifically for the graduate assistants who work with their ensembles in person. This emphasis will remain in place as long as graduate student support is necessary to sustain the operation of ensembles in the Division of Music.

The table below indicates enrollments in the two programs. Data were obtained from the Office of Institutional Research and Assessment.

	Fall 2020	Fall 2021	Fall 2022	Fall 2023	Fall 2024
Music Performance	5	2	1	1	1
Music Education	3	5	5	7	7

Admittedly, this proposal is, in part, a measure of protection for both subplans (especially Music Performance). But it is also a fairer representation of what the Music Performance and Music Education programs bring to the School of Performing Arts, to the university, and to the state. These contributions go beyond mere numbers, and this reorganization will secure the valuable contributions of each subplan.

ENDORSEMENTS: Please print and sign name

DATE

Leader, Initiating Department/Unit

Carlos Villacorta ff 9/2/25

CLAS, College Curriculum Committee

Alicia E. Bruce

9-9-2025

Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Gail C. Hadden

9-23-25

Associate Vice President for Graduate Studies and Senior Associate Dean

Scott Delcourt

Program Elimination Proposal for the Master of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.) Spanish

In January 2024 the Department of Modern Languages and Classics requested that the Graduate School suspend admissions for the Master of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.) Spanish. After discussion in the department and then with the Chair of Modern Languages and Classics, Carlos Villacorta, Dean Emily Haddad, and Associate Dean for Academics Timothy Cole, the conclusion was reached that the M.A.T Spanish degree be eliminated. In accordance with the protocol for Academic Program Elimination established by the University of Maine Faculty Senate's Program Creation and Reorganization Review Committee (PCRRRC), this is a proposal for program elimination of this program.

Five-Year Summary Data.

A summary of the number of students enrolled in the program, and the number of degrees conferred, is included in the following table. The number of students is based upon fall head counts.

Five-Year Summary: M.A.T. Spanish
(data provided by Office of Institutional Research and Assessment)

Year	Enrolled Students	Degrees Conferred		
2020	3	3		
2021	1	1		
2022	3	0		
2023	0	2		
2024	1	1		

Rationale.

The program focused more on teachers already with some certification who wanted to improve their abilities and skills in the language, and on some students who wanted to be Spanish teachers. In the last few years, scheduling has been a major difficulty. The department could not recruit more students due to the class schedule, the classes offered, and the teachers' availability.

After the MLC self-study of 2020, it was recommended by the external reviewers to focus on the Spanish major and minors instead of the graduate program.

Relationship of Program Elimination to campus mission and other programs on campus.

CLAS seeks to grow enrollment, support research/scholarship, engage students and build relationships with community partners. These goals will be pursued in the context of a fiscally constrained environment. The difficult decision to eliminate the M.A.T. Spanish is consistent with the college's goals in that it will allow the Department of Modern Languages and Classics to focus its energies and resources on its other programs. Elimination of the M.A.T. Spanish program will have little impact on other UMaine programs. Students in the College of Education and Human Development who are pursuing a degree teaching Spanish can still take 400 level classes to complete their Master's program.

Faculty Retrenchment/Reassignment.

There will be no faculty retrenchment with the elimination of this program.

All Spanish Faculty has been reassigned to continue teaching 300 and 400 level classes instead of combined graduate classes.

Impact of Program Elimination on Current Students.

Because there will be no elimination of courses, in that sense there will be no change in their opportunities. One graduate student finished in Spring 2025. She was accommodated in the 400 level classes.

Timetable for program elimination.

Program elimination becomes effective August 31, 2025.

Input obtained from discussion with the Associated Faculties of the University of Maine System.

AFUM officials were contacted about the elimination of M.A.T Spanish and a draft of this document was shared with them. There were no formal contractual concerns expressed. AFUM President (UMaine) Lisa Neuman did raise questions primarily about "teach out" and any needed accommodations for student currently in the program. Carlos Villacorta, Chair of the Department of Modern Languages and Classics (MLC), noted that a single graduate student in MLC graduated successfully in Spring 2025. From the College of Education and Human Development, there is currently one student who is taking classes in Fall 2025 to complete the necessary requirements to graduate. MLC reports that no other student from any other program will need accommodations. The Graduate School was consulted, and Scott Delcourt, Associate Vice President for Graduate Studies and Senior Associate Dean, was supportive of this proposal.

Submitted by: Emily Haddad, Dean, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences
September 10, 2025

Date: 02 October 2025
RE: Proposed updates to Responsible Conduct of Research Training

Background

[NSF's Important Notice 149: Updates to NSF's Research Security Policies](#) includes a requirement for Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) training (referred to by NSF as 'Responsible & Ethical Conduct of Research) to address research security, export compliance and federal disclosure and reporting requirements. The University's Authorized Organizational Representative (AOR) will be required to certify that the institution has a plan to provide appropriate training and oversight in RCR to undergraduate students, graduate students, postdoctoral scholars, faculty, and other senior/key personnel who will be supported by NSF to conduct research and that such training addresses all NSF-required content areas. As detailed on Office of Research Compliance's [RCR Training Requirement page](#), UMaine's approach for RCR training varies depending on the subject population.

ORC recently subscribed to the Research Security Series in CITI, and the intro course, 'Research Security: A basic course' covers the basics of research security, export compliance and federal disclosure requirements and takes between 20-40 minutes to complete depending on the presentation style selected (text only vs. narrated). This would be an easy way to meet the new NSF requirement without a full overhaul of all existing RCR courses. As detailed on Office of Research Compliance's [RCR Training Requirement page](#), UMaine's approach for RCR training varies depending on the subject population but in all cases training is valid for 4 years.

Recommendations

- **Undergraduate Students** – ORC will incorporate these topics into our next Undergraduate RCR Course later this fall either as new content developed by ORC, or by the inclusion of the basic Research Security course in CITI as a required assignment.
- **Graduate Students** – Given that graduate students can either take [INT 601](#) or [an approved alternate course](#), and it is too late to revise these credit bearing courses which are already underway, ORC recommends the following:
 - **Interim Plan:** Have graduate students who will be supported by NSF to conduct research complete supplemental training in CITI in addition to existing RCR coursework to satisfy NSF's requirements. This would necessitate highlighting this requirement on both [UMaine's RCR training page](#) and the [Grad School RCR training page](#).
 - **Long term plan:** Incorporate completion of 'Research Security: A basic course' in CITI as a required class assignment for all approved graduate level RCR courses (unless the instructor wanted to develop their own training material covering research security, export compliance and federal disclosure requirements). This will need to be discussed with the Grad Board and instructors. *If approved, ORC and the Grad School would need to update the [RCR Approval Process](#) to reflect the new requirements.*

Office of Research Compliance

- **Post Doctoral Researchers, Faculty & Staff** – ORC can work with CITI to include the ‘Research Security: A basic course’ as a required module in our General RCR course. *[We will need to coordinate with Ross Hickey at USM to confirm they're in agreement since this is a shared course.]*
 - Alternatively, we could work with CITI to determine whether or not they could include logic in the RCR course to require completion of either ‘Research Security: A basic course’ OR the 1 hour course “Research Security Training (Combined)” since many Senior Personnel on proposals to federal agencies will be required to complete this Research Security training annually.

Commented [AA1]: I reached out to Ross yesterday (10/2/2025) to get his thoughts about modifying this CITI course; will update once I hear back from him.