

## Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Concentration

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING **MSN**

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GOLDFARB SCHOOL OF NURSING AT BARNES-JEWISH COLLEGE



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Goldfarb School of Nursing at Barnes-Jewish College offers the Master of Science in Nursing Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Concentration for BSN-prepared registered nurses interested in pursuing advanced nursing roles focusing on caring for acute, critically ill and injured patients.

The Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Concentration is affiliated with the Washington University School of Medicine Department of Anesthesiology. The program uniquely prepares students to assume the complex and evolving professional roles of independent practitioners in intensive care units and other acute care environments, including the business aspect of nurse practitioner practice.

Clinical experiences are pre-arranged by faculty and emphasize gaining competence as a practitioner in the critical care environment, with additional focus on urgent care and diabetes management at Barnes-Jewish Hospital. Students work with an experienced group of acute care nurse practitioners, other advanced practice nurses and Washington University School of Medicine critical care and emergency medicine physicians.

Our state-of-the-art Clinical Simulation Institute (CSI) provides the perfect environment for gaining hands on experience with procedures and skills commonly utilized in acute and critical care, such as central line insertion, endotracheal intubation and lumbar puncture. High fidelity simulation complements the clinical experiences to provide additional exposure to those patient problems frequently seen in the acute care setting or those that may result in significant morbidity and mortality. An introduction to the interpretation of chest and abdominal radiograph imaging is provided by Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology physicians followed by designated clinical hours in the radiology reading rooms at Washington University School of Medicine.

A post-master's certificate is available. An individualized curriculum plan will be developed based on a gap analysis of the applicant's prior course work.

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PROGRAM LENGTH: **Post-BSN (registered nurses): 27 months; Post-MSN (certificate program): 12 months** | APPLICATION DEADLINE: **January 1**  
TERM START: **Post-BSN: Summer; Post-MSN: Fall**

Graduates of the Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner concentration will be prepared to take the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) and the American Association of Critical Care Nurses (AACN) certification exam to become certified in the field.

Goldfarb School of Nursing at Barnes-Jewish College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) and is approved by the Missouri State Board of Nursing.

**ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS**

- Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher learning
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in all undergraduate course work
- Satisfactory completion of an undergraduate or graduate statistics course
- Active RN license in good standing
- 1 year recent experience as an RN in an ICU setting
- Current Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) provider status
- An email with additional information regarding compliance requirements will be sent prior to start date

**Sample Course Sequence**

SUMMER, TERM 1	
Organizational & Systems Leadership <sup>Δ</sup>	3
Health Care Policy & Ethics <sup>Δ</sup>	3
FALL, TERM 2	
Health Promotion in Individuals & Vulnerable Populations <sup>Δ</sup>	3
Graduate Physiology <sup>◦</sup>	4
SPRING, TERM 3	
Advanced Pathophysiology <sup>◦</sup>	4
Advanced Pharmacology <sup>◦</sup>	3
SUMMER, TERM 4	
Advanced Health Assessment <sup>*◦</sup>	3
Statistics & Epidemiology for Advanced Practice <sup>Δ</sup>	3

<sup>Δ</sup> Online class

<sup>◦</sup> Face-to-face class

56 clinical contact hours = 1 credit hour

FALL, TERM 5	
Acute Care I <sup>◦</sup>	3
Acute Care I Clinical <sup>**</sup>	3
Invasive Procedures & Skills <sup>*◦</sup>	2
SPRING, TERM 6	
Evidence-Based Practice & Research <sup>Δ</sup>	3
Acute Care II <sup>◦</sup>	3
Acute Care II Clinical <sup>**</sup>	3
SUMMER, TERM 7	
Research & Theory Integration <sup>Δ</sup>	3
Acute Care III Clinical <sup>***</sup>	5
TOTAL	
<b>*Clinical Contact Hours</b>	<b>56</b>
<b>**Clinical Contact Hours</b>	<b>168</b>
<b>***Clinical Contact Hours</b>	<b>280</b>
<b>Total Clinical Hours</b>	<b>728</b>

Note: Courses and sequencing are subject to change.

**STEPS TO APPLYING FOR ADMISSION**

- Apply online at [BarnesJewishCollege.edu/ApplyNow](http://BarnesJewishCollege.edu/ApplyNow)
- After applying online, please submit the following to the Admissions Office:
  - Official transcripts from all institutions where credit was earned
  - Proof of active RN license in good standing
  - Two letters of reference from individuals who can address the applicant's academic and clinical potential
  - TOEFL (iBT) or IELTS required for applicants whose transfer credits and post-secondary degrees were earned in colleges or universities in which English is not the primary language
  - Personal statement that addresses desired area of specialization, personal attributes that will contribute to successful accomplishments of the program and career goals
  - Curriculum vitae (CV) or resume
  - Proof of current Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) provider status

All required information must be received before an application file can be reviewed for admission.

**PLEASE SEND ALL APPLICATION MATERIALS TO:**

**Goldfarb School of Nursing  
at Barnes-Jewish College  
Attn: Admissions Office**

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St. Louis, MO 63110

Official eTranscripts may be emailed to [gson-admissions@bjc.org](mailto:gson-admissions@bjc.org)

