Focus on clinical leadership for population and global health

Accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)

1:1 Faculty advisor/student ratio for scholarly projects

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE GRADUATES ARE IN DEMAND

» The growing complexity of health care issues, combined with the demand for more patient services, creates greater need for nurses to have terminal degrees comparable to their health care colleagues

» The Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Program at USJ prepares nurses and nurse practitioners for professional advancement, clinical and business leadership roles, improvement of health care outcomes and systems, as well as providing enhancement of clinical education

» Utilizing an evidence-based practice approach, graduates will be able to evaluate how organizational, financial, and policy decisions affect the cost, quality, and accessibility of health care
ACADEMIC DISTINCTIVENESS

» Renowned faculty who are respected professionals in their field
» On campus, hybrid class format with on-site clinical placements in Connecticut
» Students may add a Nurse Practitioner certification (additional 33 credits) in:
  - Family Nurse Practitioner
  - Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner

DNP PROGRAM OUTCOMES

This degree will provide you with a broad perspective that includes holistic health care for your patients including understanding how social and economic factors influence health outcomes.

» Lead organizations and systems as a practice scholar through the application of quality improvement strategies, systems thinking, and information technology.

» Advance patient and population health outcomes through scholarship, advocacy, leadership, and communication/collaboration with multidisciplinary teams.

» Influence public policy to minimize health disparities and promote access to quality care.

» Apply scientific knowledge, evaluation methods and quality improvement strategies to advance evidence based clinical practice and improve health care systems and outcomes.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

TO GET STARTED, SUBMIT:

» Applications accepted year-round, classes begin in January. Completed application available at www.usj.edu/apply

» $50 non-refundable application fee

» Official master’s (MSN) transcript from a regionally and nationally accredited institution with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.2

» Personal essay: How will a DNP degree from USJ help you meet your professional goals?

» Nursing supplemental health form

» Copy of valid RN and if applicable APRN license on admission

» Background check (not required for admission)

» Certification form documenting previous master’s-level supervised clinical hours signed by the previous school’s program director

» On campus interview

» Visit www.usj.edu/visitus to register for upcoming events www.usj.edu/graduate