

Advanced Practice Nursing (APRN) Programs

The Advanced Practice Nursing (APRN) programs at Mercer University are designed to prepare students to meet the requirements to sit for the certified nurse practitioner exams. The degree programs, including the BSN to DNP, MSN, and Post-Master’s DNP, are offered with several tracks: Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP), Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner (AGPCNP), and Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (AGACNP), and Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP). Post-Master’s Certificate programs are offered with these tracks as well. All of the programs offered at Mercer meet the educational requirements for APRN licensure in the state of Georgia and are accredited by the [Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education](#), 655 K Street NW, Suite 750, Washington, DC 20001, (202) 887-6791. The educational requirements to obtain APRN licensure outside of Georgia vary, however most states approve nursing degrees from accredited programs.

The table below displays where MSN programs meet, do not meet, or Mercer has been unable to determine if they meet the educational requirements for advanced licensure. There may be additional conditions that must be met (*e.g.*, a non-credit online course in state law). For all states, an applicant for an APRN license must already hold or be eligible for an RN license in the state. Each state board has the ultimate authority and discretion to determine whether professional licensure will be issued.

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U.S. State or Territory	Regulatory Body	Contact	Website URL	Meet educational requirements
Alabama	Alabama Board of Nursing	1-800-656-5318	www.abn.alabama.gov	Yes
Alaska	Alaska Board of Nursing	(907) 269-8160	https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/professionallicensing/boardofnursing.aspx	Yes
Arizona	Arizona State Board of Nursing	(602) 771-7800	https://www.azbn.gov/	Yes
Arkansas	Arkansas State Board of Nursing	(501) 686-2700	https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/arkansas-board-of-nursing	Yes
California	California Board of Registered Nursing	(916) 322-3350	https://www.rn.ca.gov/	Yes

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Colorado	Colorado Board of Nursing	(303) 894-7800	https://dpo.colorado.gov/Nursing	Yes
Connecticut	Connecticut Department of Public Health, Registered Nurse Licensure	(860) 509-7603	https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing--Investigations/Registered-Nurse/Registered-Nurse-Licensure	Yes
Delaware	Delaware Division of Professional Regulation - Board of Nursing	(302) 744-4500	https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/nursing/	Yes
District of Columbia (DC)	District of Columbia Board of Nursing	(202) 442-5955	https://dchealth.dc.gov/bon	Yes
Florida	Florida Board of Nursing	(850) 488-0595	https://floridasnursing.gov/	Yes
Georgia	Georgia Board of Nursing	(404) 424-9966	https://sos.ga.gov/georgia-board-nursing	Yes
Hawaii	Hawaii Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Professional & Vocational Licensing Division - Board of Nursing	(808) 586-2695	https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/boards/nursing/	Yes
Idaho	Idaho Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses - Board of Nursing	(208) 577-2476	https://dopl.idaho.gov/bon/	Yes
Illinois	Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation - Board of Nursing	1-800-560-6420	https://idfpr.illinois.gov/profs/nursing.html	Yes
Indiana	Indiana Professional Licensing Agency - Nursing Board	(317) 232-2960	https://www.in.gov/pla/professions/nursing-home/	Yes
Iowa	Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, & Licensing - Board of Nursing	(515) 281-3255	https://dial.iowa.gov/licenses/medical/nursing-professional-midwifery/nursing-licensure	Yes

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Kansas	Kansas Board of Nursing	(785) 296-4929	https://ksbn.kansas.gov/	No
Kentucky	Kentucky Board of Nursing	(502) 429-3300 1-800-305-2042	https://kbn.ky.gov/Pages/index.aspx	Yes
Louisiana	Louisiana State Board of Nursing	(225) 755-7500	https://www.lsbn.state.la.us/	Yes
Maine	Maine Department of Professional & Financial Regulation - State Board of Nursing	(207) 287-1133	https://www.maine.gov/boardofnursing/	Yes
Maryland	Maryland Board of Nursing	(410) 585-1900 (888) 202-9861	https://mbon.maryland.gov/Pages/default.aspx	Yes
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing	1-800-414-0168 (617) 973-0900	https://www.mass.gov/orgs/board-of-registration-in-nursing	Yes
Michigan	Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs - Board of Nursing	(517) 241-0199 [Press 1 when prompted]	https://www.michigan.gov/lara/bureau-list/bpl/health/hp-lic-health-prof/nursing	Yes
Minnesota	Minnesota Board of Nursing	(612) 317-3000	https://mn.gov/boards/nursing/	Yes
Mississippi	Mississippi Board of Nursing	(601) 957-6300	www.msbn.ms.gov	Yes
Missouri	Missouri Division of Professional Registration - Board of Nursing	(573) 751-0681	https://pr.mo.gov/nursing.asp	Yes
Montana	Montana Department of Labor and Industry - Board of Nursing	(406) 444-6880	https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/nursing/	Yes
Nebraska	Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, Nurse Licensing	(402) 471-4376	https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Nurse-Licensing.aspx	Yes

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Nevada	Nevada State Board of Nursing	(888) 590-6726	https://nevadanursingboard.org/	Yes
New Hampshire	New Hampshire Office of Professional Licensure and Certification - Board of Nursing	(603) 271-2152	https://www.oplc.nh.gov/nursing/	Yes
New Jersey	New Jersey Division of Consumer Affairs - Board of Nursing	(973) 504-6430	https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/nur	Yes
New Mexico	New Mexico Board of Nursing	(505) 841-8340	https://www.bon.nm.gov/	Yes
New York	New York State Education Department Office of the Professions - Board of Nursing	(518) 474-3817, Press 1 then ext. 120	https://www.op.nysed.gov/registered-professional-nursing	Yes - applicants must also complete online course on New York & Federal Laws Governing Prescriptions and Record Keeping
North Carolina	North Carolina Board of Nursing	(919) 782-3211	www.ncbon.com	Yes
North Dakota	North Dakota Board of Nursing	(701) 751-3000	https://www.ndbon.org/	Yes
Ohio	Ohio Board of Nursing	(614) 466-3947	https://nursing.ohio.gov/	Yes
Oklahoma	Oklahoma Board of Nursing	(405) 962-1800 (405) 962-1832	https://oklahoma.gov/nursing.html	Yes
Oregon	Oregon State Board of Nursing	(971) 673-0685	https://www.oregon.gov/OSBN/pages/index.aspx	Yes
Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing	1-833-367-2762	https://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/Nursing/Pages/Apply-Online.aspx	Yes

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Rhode Island	Rhode Island Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education	(401) 222-5960	https://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=231	Yes
South Carolina	South Carolina Board of Nursing	(803) 896-4550	http://llr.sc.gov	Yes
South Dakota	South Dakota Board of Nursing	(605) 362-2760	https://doh.sd.gov/boards/nursing/	Yes
Tennessee	Tennessee Board of Nursing	(615) 532-5166 local or (1-800) 778-4123 nationwide	https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/nursing-board/nursing-board/about.html	Yes
Texas	Texas Board of Nursing	(512) 305-7400	www.bon.state.tx.us	Yes
Utah	Utah Department of Commerce, Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing - Board of Nursing	(801) 530-6628 (866) 275-3675 Toll-Free in Utah	https://dopl.utah.gov/nurse/	Yes
Vermont	Vermont Office of Professional Regulation - State Board of Nursing	(802) 828-1505	https://sos.vermont.gov/nursing/	Yes
Virginia	Virginia Department of Health Professions - Board of Nursing	(804) 367-4515	https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Boards/Nursing/	Yes
Washington	Nursing Care and Quality Assurance Commission (housed at the WA Department of Health)	(360) 236-4703	https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/NursingCommission	Yes
West Virginia	West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses	(304) 744-0900	www.wvrnboard.wv.gov	Yes

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Wisconsin	Wisconsin Board of Nursing	(608) 266-2112	https://dsps.wi.gov/pages/BoardsCouncils/Nursing/Default.aspx	Yes
Wyoming	Wyoming State Board of Nursing	(307) 777-7601	https://wsbn.wyo.gov/home	Yes
American Samoa	American Samoa Health Services Regulatory Board	(684) 633-1222	https://ncsbn.org/bon-member-details/AmericanSamoa	No - unable to determine
Federated States of Micronesia	Pohnpei State Department of Health and Social Services - Medical Services Division	(691) 320-2216	https://psdhs.fm/medical-services/	No - unable to determine
Guam	Guam Board of Nurse Examiners	(671) 735-7409 (671) 735-7404	https://guamhplo.org/gbne	Yes
Marshall Islands	Republic of Marshall Islands Ministry of Health & Human Services	(692) 625-5660/5661	https://rmihealth.org/	No - unable to determine
Northern Mariana Islands	CNMI Board of Nursing	(670) 233-2263 (670) 234-2264	https://nmibon.info/	Yes
Palau	Palau Bureau of Nursing	(680) 488-2552 (680) 488-2553	https://www.palau.gov.pw/executive-branch/ministries/health/bureau-of-nursing/	No - unable to determine
Puerto Rico	Puerto Rico Board of Nursing Examiners	(787) 765-2929	https://www.salud.pr.gov/CMS/126	No - unable to determine
US Virgin Islands	Virgin Islands Board of Nurse Licensure	St Croix: (340) 718-1311 St Thomas/St John: (340) 774-9000	https://doh.vi.gov/programs/permits-licenses-and-certificates	Yes

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