The Program
The DNP program prepares certified advanced practice nurses for roles in health systems leadership, policy development, and interdisciplinary collaboration that focus on:
- improving health care quality,
- increasing healthcare access to all communities and groups,
- applying theories of healthcare delivery

The program enrolls highly skilled and motivated masters prepared advanced practice nurses. Applicants must be certified and practicing in the APN role. Once enrolled, students are welcomed into a diverse community of students and faculty. Students will gain added insights and understanding through collaborations with the PhD program and other University departments.

Degree Requirements
- 39 credits
- Accredited through CCNE
- The program is delivered online
- Coursework involves building transformational leadership skills in policy change and program development,
- Part time enrollment: graduating in three to four years.
- Students come to campus 3-4 times during their enrollment.
- Prospective students may take two courses within UMB before matriculating and two courses in outside programs (must be approved) and these credits can be transferred in if certain requirements are met.

Capstone
Through a series of internship courses, students develop and carry out a Capstone project aimed at improving practice or changing outcomes in a health care setting. Students integrate leadership, consultation, advocacy and interdisciplinary collaboration into the context of clinical practice. Our students benefit from the College’s thriving partnerships with neighboring institutions, communities, and healthcare settings. Students often elect to do their Capstone project in their own agency.

Faculty Highlights
Our faculty members are distinguished in practice, education and research. They apply knowledge gained through clinical practice, research, community service and policy initiatives to guide students in developing competence in these areas. Students are welcomed in a scholarly community of some of the finest nursing scholars recognized on a national and international level.

Applications
Applications are accepted through Graduate Admissions: the deadline for Spring admission is October 1, and May 1 for Fall Admissions. A personal interview via Skype or other technology may be required. All specifics re the application requirements are detailed on the Graduate Admissions website. In addition, all applicants must include a goal statement along with an identified conceptual area of interest.

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