

**Greetings from MSU-Mankato's BSN to DNP program!**

We have set the dates for our annual Fall Informational Sessions for the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Primary Care Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) program!

Please select from one of the following dates:

**Monday, October 19, 2:00-3:30 pm or**

**Tuesday, October 20, 6:30- 8:00 pm or**

**Friday, October 23, 10:00-11:30 pm**

 Applying to the program involves a two-step process this year; the first step is to attend one of the Informational Sessions via zoom (from the comforts of your home) and the second step is to complete a written essay (in person at 7700 France Avenue, Edina).

**Step 1:** **BSN to DNP/FNP Informational Sessions via Zoom –**Sessions will be held virtually this year due to COVID-19 concerns. **Select one from the three scheduled events (see above) and advise Kim of which session you have chosen, and she will send you the Zoom link**. Or, if none of these times work into your schedule, please let us know as soon as possible. Also, if you are unable to attend your original session you may go to another session if that works better for you.

The Informational Session will include details regarding our DNP degree program and the Primary Care FNP role. We will also address as many questions as we can during our time together.

**Step 2: Essay Sessions in Edina -** If you continue to be interested in our program after the Informational Session, the next step is to schedule a time to physically present to 7700 France Avenue and spend about 60 minutes writing a short essay. A brief article on a topic of interest to nurses will be provided when you arrive on campus. For this essay, you will respond to several questions designed to elicit your thoughts and reactions after reading the article.

The Essay Sessions will be held the week following the Informational Sessions. You will be provided with a link to sign up for your choice of times to write the essay at the Informational Session. Computers will be provided for your essay, so you do not need to bring a laptop with you.

For more information or if you would like to begin the application process you can go to the MNSU Mankato website –

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Completed applications and additional materials are due by 11/1.

We are excited to meet you!

If you have any additional questions, please contact Kim Fortin at [kimberly.fortin@mnsu.edu](mailto:kimberly.fortin@mnsu.edu) ........

Sincerely,

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