

Educator / Faculty



APRN

Advanced practice academic educators and faculty members for pediatrics develop students into health care providers for children of all ages in primary care, acute care, or both focus areas. The educator/faculty role delivers expert instruction so that graduates are ready to enter the workforce competently and confidently.



Committed to preparing future pediatric nurse practitioners



Passion for impacting the profession through education and research



Scholarly drive to conduct research and publish and present findings

Keywords

- Lifelong Learner
- Translating Theory into Practice
- Navigating Professional Politics and Student Needs
- Flexible Schedule
- Scholarship & Ethics

Career Steps

1

Obtain a master's degree in nursing education.

2

Seek employment in an undergraduate nursing program at a technical college, community college, or university.

3

Obtain a mentor and craft an individualized plan for promotion or advancement.

4

Plan for your academic transition to a doctoral track (PhD vs. DNP).

5

Create a plan to achieve certification as Certified Nurse Educator from the National League for Nursing (options include Academic, Clinical, and Novice).

6

Consider a pathway to become an administrator or dean of a school of nursing.



References and links for further reading

- The Association of Faculties of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners: <https://www.afpnp.org/>
- The National League for Nursing: <https://www.nln.org/home>
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