Preparation/Considerations for a future MSN or DNP degree

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What should I do as a BSN student to be an attractive graduate student candidate?

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Why should I pursue graduate study?

- Autonomy
- Broader impact
- Expanded leadership opportunities
- Higher compensation
- State, national and international networking
- Personal challenge & growth
How do I decide/identify my interest for graduate study?

- Personal reflection
- Clinical practicum experiences
- Work study

Additional learning opportunities at CON
- Young clinician/scientist
- Honors program
Why Iowa for graduate study?

- Flexible course offerings
- Online or hybrid
- Individualized
- Practicum preceptors arranged
- Tuition assistance and scholarships
- Programs top ranked
- Nationally recognized faculty
- High completion and pass rates

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Did I mention our rankings?

#2 Nursing Service Administration

#7 Clinical Nurse Leader

#9 Adult/Gero Acute Care NP

#10 Nurse Anesthesia

#12 Adult/Gero Primary Care NP

#12 Pediatric NP (Primary Care)

#15 DNP (overall)
Other Common questions we receive

Is it preferable to attend a different graduate program than where you did your BSN?

Do you need work experience prior to applying?

Do you need to travel to Iowa City a lot?