



## DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

(DNP)

### WHY OUR PROGRAM?

As a graduate of the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program, you will have the skills and knowledge necessary to move to director and executive level positions in an organization — helping to advance and transform healthcare. Depending on what works best for you, you have two options to complete the DNP program. To receive your degree in 18 months, you will enroll in two 3-credit courses each term for six consecutive terms. If you prefer to complete your program over 36 months, you will enroll in one 3-credit course each term.

### DEGREE/PROGRAM ACCREDITATIONS:

The baccalaureate degree program in nursing, master's degree program in nursing, and doctor of nursing practice program at Thomas Edison State University are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, 655 K Street, NW, Suite 750, Washington, DC 20001, 202-887-6791.



### HELP ADVANCE AND TRANSFORM HEALTHCARE

Nursing is a dynamic profession that plays a vital role in improving the health and well-being of the community. The Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) is an online doctoral degree program with a specialty area in Systems-Level Leadership that prepares nurse leaders to function at the highest level in healthcare organizations. Through mentored practice, the DNP program will enhance your skills in organizational leadership, economics and finance, healthcare policy, population-focused care and technology.

### PROGRAM ADVANTAGES

- ▶ 45 percent of our DNP graduates have been promoted to leadership and executive positions after completing the program
- ▶ 100 percent of DNP mentors are doctorally prepared and leaders in education and/or nurse executive leadership
- ▶ Student advisors and mentors provide close guidance and support throughout the entire program
- ▶ You may integrate your DNP project with your current professional employment

## WHY CHOOSE TESU?

As one of the first colleges or universities in the country designed specifically for busy, motivated adults, Thomas Edison State University is dedicated to providing you with a high-quality education – anytime, anywhere.

- ▶ **Exceptional Value:** Competitive tuition and fees. Plus, financial aid and scholarships are available.
- ▶ **Degree Flexibility:** Engage in your courses whatever time of day works for you. Courses are available 24/7.

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## CAREER INSIGHTS

- ▶ The top 33 percent of nurse leaders (includes directors and managers, likely holding advanced degrees like the DNP) **earned more than \$170,000<sup>1</sup>**
- ▶ The top 22 percent earned between **\$200,000 and \$249,999<sup>1</sup>**
- ▶ The top 10 percent earned **more than \$250,000<sup>1</sup>**
- ▶ 81 percent of CNOs/CNEs, 91 percent of system CNOs/CNEs, 53 percent of consultants, and 91 percent of presidents/vice-presidents all earn **more than \$150,000** annually. About 71 percent of all directors earn between **\$100,000 and \$169,999.<sup>1</sup>**
- ▶ The average salary for DNP nurses was \$113,347, or **nearly \$8,000 more than the average salary for nurses with a master's degree.<sup>2</sup>**
- ▶ Average salaries for nurse practitioners in New Jersey that earned within the top 25 percent (75th percentile) and the top 10 percent (90th percentile) included **\$130,630 and \$158,300** respectively.<sup>3</sup>

### SOURCES:

- 1 AONL American Organization for Nursing Leadership, 2019 Salary and Compensation Study
- 2 Advanced Healthcare Network's 2018 ADVANCE Salary Survey for Nurses
- 3 2018, U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor.

