

Program Completion for Graduate Advanced Practice Nursing Programs

- **Purpose**

- To define graduation expectation and process for students completing the graduate advanced practice nursing programs.

- **Sources**

- As found in the Edson College Graduate Education and Advanced Practice Programs Student handbook: <https://nursingandhealth.asu.edu/files/students/handbooks/nursing-grad.pdf>
- Based on ASU Graduate Policy and Procedures: http://graduate.asu.edu/sites/default/files/ASU_Graduate_Policies_and_Procedures.pdf

- **Applicability**

- All Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation graduate advanced practice nursing students.

- **Protocol**

- **Program Completion:**

- **Filing for graduation:**

1. For students graduating in May:
 - a. During the fall semester prior to graduation, students must review their individual Plan of Study (iPOS) for accuracy and make any changes necessary.
 - b. It is the student's responsibility to confirm dates for filing for graduation. Go to <https://students.asu.edu/graduation>

- **University Commencement**

- University Commencement, which is the conferring of degrees, takes place at the close of the Fall and Spring academic semesters. Students who have met the University degree requirements are eligible to participate.
- For information regarding University Commencement, please see <http://graduation.asu.edu/home>

- **Convocation**

- At the College of Nursing and Health Innovation Convocation, degree recipients from the College are recognized.

- At this ceremony, awards are presented to the graduates in the presence of faculty, family and friends.
- Students who have completed degree requirements are eligible to participate.
- For information regarding Edson College Convocation, please see <https://nursingandhealth.asu.edu/convocation>
- **Advanced Practice Nursing Licensure:**
 - **Eligibility to Advanced Practice exams**
 1. Students who have met the University requirements for degree conferral are eligible to sit for certification exams. Students are responsible for application materials and fees for any advanced placement exam they choose to take. The Graduate Program Office will assist in completion of any forms needed for this process.
- **Procedure**
 - Students meet University requirements for graduation from their graduate nursing program prior to the conferral of their degree.
 - Students must apply for graduation through MyASU in accordance with the University Registrar policies.
 - Students complete any applications and pay required fees for certification exams and licensure.
 - The Graduate Program Office assists any student with application completion as required by the Arizona Board of Nursing and national credentialing bodies.