Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)
2025-2026 Program of Study
Fall Admissions
Executive Health Systems Leadership (EHSL) – Part-Time

THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA
College of Nursing

The DNP Program of Study is the required curriculum for the specialty. The DNP program curriculum is sequenced to support students' academic trajectories. The program of study lists courses required for every semester. DNP courses are only available once a year. Therefore, it is imperative to follow the DNP Program of Study each semester when registering for classes. Students should meet with their faculty advisor minimally once a semester to review their program of study. The student's responsibility is to follow their DNP Program of Study and notify their faculty advisor to request changes to their DNP Program of Study. Changes to the DNP Program of Study will impact the projected graduation date and require approval by the faculty advisor.

Year – 1

Fall Semester
- ❑ Required Immersive Summer Experience (RISE)
- ❑ NURS 652 Methods for Scholarly Inquiry (2 units)
- ❑ NURS 695B DNP Forum: The Scholarship and Practice of Nursing (2 units)

Spring Semester
- ❑ NURS 642 Health Policy and Economics (3 units)
- ❑ NURS 751 Evidence-Based Practice (3 units)

Summer Semester
- ❑ Required Immersive Summer Experience (RISE)
- ❑ NURS 752 Evaluation Methodologies for Safety and Quality Improvement (3 units)

Year – 2

Fall Semester
- ❑ NURS 665 Advancing Innovations Through Effective Design (3 units)
- ❑ NURS 694 Practicum (1 unit) – **90 Hours**
- ❑ NURS 704 Philosophy and Theory for the DNP (3 units)

Spring Semester
- ❑ NURS 667 Resourcing for Growth and Sustainability (3 units)
- ❑ NURS 694 Practicum (2 units) – **180 Hours**

Summer Semester
- ❑ NURS 668 Influential Leadership in Health Systems (3 units)
- ❑ NURS 694 Practicum (1 units) – **90 Hours**

Year – 3

Fall Semester
- ❑ NURS 669 Health Systems Executive Leadership Synthesis (3 units)
- ❑ NURS 694 Practicum (2 units) – **180 Hours**
- ❑ NURS 753 Population Health for DNPs (3 units)

Spring Semester
- ❑ NURS 629 Statistical Inference for Evidence-based Practice (3 units)
- ❑ NURS 922 DNP Project (2 units)

Summer Semester
- ❑ NURS 695C Interprofessional Collaboration in Healthcare Teams (1 unit)
- ❑ NURS 922 DNP Project (2 units)

Year – 4
Fall Semester
- ❑ NURS 646 Healthcare Informatics: Theory & Practice (3 units)
- ❑ NURS 922 DNP Project (2 units)

Summary
Totals & Requirements
- ❑ Time to Degree 3.5 years
- ❑ 50 Total Units
- ❑ 540 hours
- ❑ Required to attend RISE (Virtual)

Additional Student Resources
- ▪ [DNP Program Handbook](#)
- ▪ [DNP Program Clinical Handbook](#)
- ▪ [University of Arizona Graduate College Student Policies](#)