Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) 2026-2027 Program of Study



Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) - Part-Time - Final

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. Many 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 plan 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 may impact the projected graduation date and require approval by the specialty coordinator.

Year –	·1	
Fall Semester		
	Required Immersive Summer Experience (RISE)	
	NURS 702 Introduction to the DNP Role & Scholarly Writing (2 units)	
	NURS 703 Theoretical & Philosophical Underpinnings for the DNP (3 units)	
Spring Semester		
	NURS 604 Statistics in Evidence-based Practice (3 units)	
	NURS 605 Scholarly Inquiry Methods (2 units)	
	NURS 606 Healthcare Leadership and Finance (3 units)	
Summer Semester		
	NURS 613 Healthcare Informatics (3 units)	
	NURS 708 Evidence-Based Practice for the DNP (3 units)	
Year – 2		
Fall Semester		
	NURS 600 Advanced Pathophysiology (3 units)	
	NURS 709 Healthcare Safety and Quality Improvement (3 units)	
Spring Semester		
	NURS 609 Health Policy and Healthcare Economics: U.S. to Global (3 units)	
	NURS 619 Social Determinants & Population Health (3 units)	
Summer Semester		
	NURS 601 Advanced Pharmacology (3 units)	
	NURS 603 Advanced Physical & Health Assessment (3 units)	
Year – 3		
Fall Semester		
	NURS 632 Behavioral Health Therapy Across the Lifespan (3 units)	
	NURS 633 Psychopharmacology Across the Lifespan (2 unit)	
	NURS 661 PMHNP Specialty I (3 units)	

Spring Semester		
	Clinical Immersion #1 (on-campus)	
	NURS 639 Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing for Pediatrics (2 units)	
	NURS 661a PMHNP Specialty I: Clinical Practicum (2 units) 180 Clinical Hours	
	NURS 662 PMHNP Specialty II (3 units)	
	NURS 921 Introduction to the DNP Project (2 units)	
Summer Semester		
	Clinical Immersion #2 (on-campus)	
	NURS 627 Advanced Practice Care for Older Adults (3 units)	
	NURS 662a PMHNP Specialty II: Clinical Practicum (2 units) – 180 Clinical Hours	
	NURS 663 PMHNP Specialty III (2 units)	
	NURS 922 DNP Project (2 units)	
Year – 4		
Fall Semester		
	Clinical Immersion #3 (on-campus)	
	NURS 663a PMHNP Specialty III: Clinical Practicum (5 units) 450 Clinical Hours	
	NURS 922 DNP Project (2 units)	
Summ	ary	
Totals	& Requirements	
	Time to Degree 3.5 years	
	70 Total Units	
	810 clinical hours	
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	Required to attend RISE (Virtual)	
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Additional Student Resources

- DNP Program Handbook
- DNP Program Clinical Handbook
- University of Arizona Graduate College Student Policies