Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)
2026-2027 Program of Study
MS-DNP Non-Specialty (General) – Part Time – Spring Start

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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. Most 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

Spring Semester
- ❑ Required Immersive Summer Experience (RISE)
- ❑ NURS 604 Statistics in Evidence-Based Practice (3 units)
- ❑ NURS 702 Introduction to the DNP Role & Scholarly Writing (2 units)

Summer Semester
- ❑ NURS 613 Healthcare Informatics (3 units)

Year – 2

Fall Semester
- ❑ NURS 605 Scholarly Inquiry Methods (2 units)
- ❑ NURS 703 Theoretical & Philosophical Underpinnings for the DNP (3 units)

Spring Semester
- ❑ NURS 606 Healthcare Leadership and Finance (3 units)
- ❑ NURS 921 Introduction to the DNP Project (2 units)

Summer Semester
- ❑ NURS 708 Evidence-Based Practice for the DNP (3 units)
- ❑ NURS 922 DNP Project (1 units)

Year – 3

Fall Semester
- ❑ NURS 619 Social Determinants & Population Health (3 units)
- ❑ NURS 709 Healthcare Safety and Quality Improvement (3 units)
- ❑ NURS 922 DNP Project (1 units)

Spring Semester
- ❑ NURS 609 Health Policy & Healthcare Economics: U.S. to Global (3 units)
- ❑ NURS 922 DNP Project (2 units)

Summary

Totals & Requirements
- ❑ Time to Degree 2.5 years
- ❑ 34 Total Units
- ❑ Required to attend RISE (Virtual)

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