

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)

2026-2027 Program of Study

Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (PNP) – Part-Time – Final



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. 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

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 601 Advanced Pharmacology (3 units)
- NURS 609 Health Policy and Healthcare Economics: U.S. to Global (3 units)

Summer Semester

- NURS 603 Advanced Physical & Health Assessment (3 units)

Year – 3

Fall Semester

- NURS 619 Social Determinants & Population Health (3 units)
- NURS 621 Pediatric Pharmacology (2 unit)
- NURS 609d Advanced Pediatric Health and Developmental Assessment (3 units)

Spring Semester

- Clinical Immersion #1 (on-campus)
- NURS 643 PNP Specialty I (3 units)
- NURS 643a PNP Specialty I: Clinical Practicum (2 units) – **180 Clinical Hours**
- NURS 921 Introduction to the DNP Project (2 units)

Summer Semester

- Clinical Immersion #2 (on-campus)
- NURS 644 PNP Specialty II (4 units)
- NURS 644a PNP Specialty II: Clinical Practicum (2 units) **180 Clinical Hours**
- NURS 922 DNP Project (2 units)

Year – 4

Fall Semester

- Clinical Immersion #3 (on-campus)
- NURS 645 PNP Specialty III (2 units)
- NURS 645a PNP Specialty III: Clinical Practicum (5 units) **450 Clinical Hours**
- NURS 922 DNP Project (2 units)

Summary

Totals & Requirements

- Time to Degree 3.5 years
- 66 Total Units
- 810 clinical hours
- Required to attend RISE (Virtual)
- Required to attend Clinical Immersions 1, 2, & 3 (on-campus)

Additional Student Resources

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