



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

Summer Semester

- ☐ CMM 501 Human Gross Anatomy (4 units)
- ☐ NURS 572 Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics for Nursing (3 units)
- ☐ NURS 670 Bioscience for Nurse Anesthesiology Practice (2 units)

Fall Semester

16 Hours in campus simulation labs

- ☐ NURS 600 Advanced Pathophysiology (3 units)
- ☐ NURS 604 Statistics in Evidence-based Practice (3 units)
- ☐ NURS 671A Foundations of Nurse Anesthesiology (2 units)
- ☐ NURS 702 Introduction to the DNP Role & Scholarly Writing (2 units)
- ☐ NURS 703 Theoretical & Philosophical Underpinnings for the DNP (3 units)

Spring Semester

16 hours in campus simulation labs

- ☐ NURS 575 Nurse Anesthesiology Pharmacology (3 units)
- ☐ NURS 605 Scholarly Inquiry Methods (2 units)
- ☐ NURS 606 Healthcare Leadership and Finance (3 units)
- ☐ NURS 609 Health Policy and Economics: U.S. to Global (3 units)
- ☐ NURS 671B Foundations of Nurse Anesthesiology II (2 Units)

Year – 2

Summer Semester

Required Immersive Summer Experience (RISE) and Virtual OSCEs – 56 hours simulation labs

- ☐ NURS 603 Advanced Physical & Health Assessment (3 units)
- ☐ NURS 613 Healthcare Informatics (3 units)
- ☐ NURS 673 Advanced Anesthetic Principles (3 units)
- ☐ NURS 708 Evidence-Based Practice for the DNP (3 units)

Fall Semester

Clinical Preparedness Intensive (CPI) – 24 hours simulation labs

- ☐ NURS 619 Social Determinants & Population Health (3 units)
- ☐ NURS 674A Professional Aspects (1 unit)
- ☐ NURS 675 Co-existing Disease and Anesthetic Implications (3 units)
- ☐ NURS 709 Healthcare Safety and Quality Improvement (3 units)

Spring Semester

Clinical Skills Intensive (CSI) on campus – 30 hours simulation labs

- ☐ NURS 676A Clinical Residency I Nurse Anesthesiology (5 units)
- ☐ NURS 722 Introduction to the DNP Project (2 units)

Year-3

Summer Semester

- ☐ NURS 676B Clinical Residency II Nurse Anesthesiology (5 units)
- ☐ NURS 922 DNP Project (2 units)

Fall Semester

- ☐ NURS 676C Clinical Residency III Nurse Anesthesiology (6 units)
- ☐ NURS 922 DNP Project (1 unit)

Spring Semester

- ☐ NURS 674B Clinical Synthesis (1 unit)
- ☐ NURS 676D Clinical Residency IV Nurse Anesthesia (6 units)
- ☐ NURS 922 DNP Project (1 unit)

Summary

Totals & Requirements

- ☐ Time to Degree 3 years
- ☐ 86 Total Units
- ☐ 2,250 clinical hours - minimum per Council on Accreditation to sit for the national certification exam (NCE)
- ☐ 650 anesthetic management cases - minimum per Council on Accreditation to sit for the NCE
- ☐ Required to attend RISE (On Campus)
- ☐ Required to attend Clinical Preparedness and Clinical Skills Intensives (on-campus)

Additional Student Resources

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