



The Program Guide is the required course sequence and schedule. Any changes must be discussed with your academic advisor and approved.

**Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) Specialty  
 Part Time Guide**

**RISE 1**

Begin program by attending Resident Intensive Summer Experience (RISE)

**Fall Year 1**

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 652 Methods for Scholarly Inquiry	2		Complete Responsible Conduct of Research Statement & Plan of Study via GradPath.  Complete Transfer Coursework Form
NURS 695B DNP Forum	2		
NURS 704 Philosophy and Theory for the DNP	3		
<b>Total Year Units:</b>	<b>7</b>		

**Spring Year 1**

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 629 Statistical Inference for Evidence-based Practice	3		
NURS 642 Health Policy and Economics	3		
<b>Total Year Units:</b>	<b>6</b>		

**Summer Year 1**

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 752 Eval Methodologies for Safety & Quality Improvement	3		
<b>Total Year Units:</b>	<b>3</b>		

**Fall Year 2**

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 646 Healthcare Informatics: Theory & Practice	3		
NURS 688 Organizational Leadership and Finance in Health Systems	3		
<b>Total Year Units:</b>	<b>6</b>		

**Spring Year 2**

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 501 Advanced Physiology & Pathophysiology	3		
NURS 751 Evidence-Based Practice	3		
<b>Total Year Units:</b>	<b>6</b>		

**Summer Year 2**

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 572 Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics for Nursing	3		
NURS 695C Interprofessional Collaboration in Healthcare Teams	1		
<b>Total Year Units:</b>	<b>4</b>		

**RISE 2**

Register to attend the Resident Intensive Summer Experience (RISE) in August if registered for NURS 609A Health Assessment in Fall Year 3

**Fall Year 3**

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 573 Psychopharmacology	1		Doctoral Committee Appointment Form: File this form via GradPath by no later than the end of the Fall Year-3 semester.
NURS 609a Health Assessment <sup>1</sup>	3	<sup>1</sup> This course will begin during RISE and continue through the Fall Year.	
NURS 753 Population Health for DNPs	3		
<b>Total Year Units:</b>	<b>7</b>		

Spring Year 3			
Register to attend the Clinical Skills Intensive (CSI) in Spring Year 3 if registered for 629a in Spring Year 3			
Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 542 Pediatric pharmacology	1	<sup>3</sup> (2 units didactic, 2 units practicum = <u>180 total</u> clinical hours this term)  <sup>4</sup> (of the 720 required clinical hours, at least 100 clinical hours must be in direct care of children/ adolescents)	
NURS 628 Introduction to Behavioral Health Therapy Across the Lifespan	3		
NURS 629a Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing I <sup>3,4</sup> (PMHNP)	4		
NURS 629c Advanced PMHNP III: Focus on children and adolescents (didactic course)	2		
NURS 922 DNP Project	2		
Total Year Units:		12	
Total Clinical Practicum Hours:		180	
Summer Year 3			
Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 629b Advanced PMHNP II <sup>5</sup>	4	<sup>5</sup> (2 units didactic, 2 units practicum = <u>180 total</u> clinical hours this term)	<b>DNP Project Proposal:</b> Complete and submit to DNP Project Committee after 922 DNP Project Course is completed in Spring Year- 3
NURS 922 DNP Project	2		
Total Year Units:		6	
Total Clinical Practicum Hours:		180	
Fall Year 4			
Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 683 Advanced Practice Nursing Issues in the Care of Older Adults	3	<sup>6</sup> (2 units didactic, 4 units practicum= <u>360 total</u> clinical hours this term)	<b>Portfolio:</b> Portfolio must be finalized for review by the end of the year <b>DNP Project:</b> Complete and submit the DNP Project for graduation
NURS 629D Clinical Residency <sup>6</sup> (PMHNP)	6		
NURS 922 DNP Project	2		
Total Year Units:		11	
Total Clinical Practicum Hours:		360	
Spring Year 4 (If needed)			
Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 922 DNP Project	1-2		
Total Year Units:		1-2	
<b>DEGREE UNIT TOTAL: 68</b>			
<b>TOTAL CLINICAL PRACTICUM HOURS: <u>720</u></b>			

### Program Notes

- **Nurse Faculty Loan Recipients:** NFLP recipients should take NURS 602 (Academic Faculty Role: Theory and Application) as a 3-unit elective course. NFLP recipients are also required to take NURS 694 (Teaching Practicum) for 1-6 units.
- **Rural Health Professions Program (RHPP) Scholars:** 3 rural focused courses are required for RHPP Scholars, and 1 rural course must be selected from 773, 774, and/or 638.
- **Course Availability:** Courses are typically taught once per year and must be taken in the order listed.
- **Summer Courses:** Courses offered during the summer semester may be offered between variable dates. Students are encouraged to review all courses in the University's official schedule for accurate start and end dates.
- **Program Milestones:** A complete checklist of all program milestones, including instructions, is available via CON website - Resources - Student Resources - DNP Program Forms & Resources.
- **Resident Intensive Summer Experience (RISE):** DNP students are required to attend the RISE experience twice during the program.
- **Clinical Skills Intensive (CSI):** Students are required to attend the CSI experience during Spring Year 3
- **Transfer Units:** Students who have previously completed graduate level coursework may be eligible to transfer up to 9 units into the program in consultation with faculty advisor after admission to the program.

### Additional Student Resources

- DNP Program Handbook
- DNP Program Clinical Handbook
- University of Arizona Graduate College Student Policies
- [DNP Program Progression Guide – Full-time Student](#)
- DNP Program Progression Guide – Part-time Student