

# Doctor of Nursing Practice (MS-DNP)

Academic Program Guide  
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This Program Guide is intended as a recommended course schedule to help students guide program progression. Students should meet regularly with the faculty advisor to discuss specific course selections, remaining requirements, and degree options.

## MS – DNP – Non-Specialty Full Time Guide

### RISE I

Begin program by attending Resident Intensive Summer Experience (RISE) and NURS 695B DNP Forum (Begins at RISE in August and continues through Fall)

### Fall Term 1

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 629 Statistical Inference for Evidence-based Practice	3	<sup>1</sup> This course will begin during RISE in Summer Term 1 and continue through this Fall Term.	<b>Responsible Conduct of Research Statement:</b> Complete this form via GradPath.  <b>Transfer Coursework Request:</b> Complete Transfer Coursework Form available in Doctoral Commons. Approved courses should be submitted via GradPath.  <b>DNP Project:</b> Identify Chair of the DNP Project Committee by term's end.
NURS 695B DNP Forum <sup>1</sup>	1		
NURS 704 Philosophy and Theory for the DNP	3		
NURS 752 Evaluation Methodologies for Safety & Quality Improvement	3		
<b>Total Term Units:</b>	<b>10</b>		

### Spring Term 1

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 642 Health Policy and Economics	3	<sup>2</sup> 2 units as part of the DNP Project Development Course, 1 unit with the student's DNP Project Committee Chair. If the proposal is already completed, student will take all NURS 922 units with the DNP Project chair.	<b>Plan of Study:</b> Students must complete and file the Doctoral Plan of Study with the Graduate College by the end of this term.  <b>Doctoral Committee Appointment Form:</b> students must file this form at the completion of comprehensive exams.
NURS 644 Molecular & Clinical Genetics/Genomics	2		
NURS 652 Methods for Scholarly Inquiry	2		
NURS 922 DNP Project <sup>2</sup>	3		
<b>Total Term Units:</b>	<b>10</b>		

### Summer Term 2

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 646 Healthcare Informatics: Theory & Practice	3	<sup>3</sup> Students may continue DNP Project work during the summer term depending on committee availability.	<b>DNP Project Proposal Presentation:</b> complete and submit to DNP Project Committee.
NURS 695c Interprofessional Collaboration in Healthcare Teams	1		
NURS 751 Evidence-Based Practice	3		
NURS 922 DNP Project <sup>3</sup>	1		
<b>Total Term Units:</b>	<b>8</b>		

### Fall Term 2

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 650 Theories of Leadership & Organizational Management	3	<sup>4</sup> NURS 922 DNP Project: 6 total units are required and should be scheduled after consultation with your advisor. These units may be spread out over multiple terms.	<b>DNP Project:</b> complete and submit the DNP Project for graduation.
NURS 753 Population Health for DNPs	2		
NURS 922 DNP Project <sup>4</sup>	2		
<b>Total Term Units:</b>	<b>7</b>		

## Spring Term 2 (IF Needed)

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 922 DNP Project	0-2		
<b>Total Term Units:</b>	<b>0-2</b>		

**DEGREE UNIT TOTAL: 35\***

\* Students who have previously completed Graduate Level Coursework may be eligible to transfer up to 9 units into the program. The full policy on transfer units is available in the Doctor of Nursing Practice Student Handbook, available on the [College of Nursing website](#).

### Program Notes

The following are important notes about the Doctor of Nursing Practice Program for all students:

- **Nurse Faculty Loan Recipients:** NFLP recipients should take NURS 602 (Academic Faculty Role: Theory and Application) as a 3 credit elective course. NFLP recipients are also required to take NURS 694 (Teaching Practicum) for 1-6 units. Students will work with the faculty advisor to determine how many units are appropriate relative to the student's prior experience.
- **Course Availability:** Courses are typically taught once per year and must be taken in the order listed.
- **Summer Courses:** Courses offered during the summer term 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. Students may also review the University's official calendar for additional information.
- **Program Milestones:** A complete checklist of all program milestones, including instructions, is available to current students and faculty via Doctoral Commons (University of Arizona D2L).
- **Resident Intensive Summer Experience (RISE):** MS to DNP students are required to attend the RISE experience at least twice during the program. Students choosing a part-time plan of study should work with the faculty advisor to determine when the student should attend RISE.
- **Transfer of Previous Graduate Credit:** students who have previously completed Graduate Level Coursework may be eligible to transfer credits into the program. The full policy on transfer units is available in the Doctor of Nursing Practice Student Handbook, available on the [College of Nursing website](#).

### Additional Student Resources

The following are additional resources to students in the Doctor of Nursing Practice Program:

- Doctor of Nursing Practice Student Handbook
- Doctoral Commons (University of Arizona D2L)
- University of Arizona Graduate College Student Policies