



Transforming advanced practice nursing

Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Family Nurse Practitioner

Objectives for the GEP to DNP Program

- Prepare graduates in advanced practice nursing specialties for clinical practice diverse populations, organizational and systems leadership in health care systems, and clinical nursing education;
- Produce advance practice nurses with skills to apply principles of population health outcomes and evidence-based practice to clinical situations as interdisciplinary team members for improvement and transformation of patient care;
- Develop advanced practice nursing leaders with expert knowledge of complex health problems who will lead and or improve nursing practice in Worcester, the Commonwealth, and beyond.

The purpose:

The Graduate Entry Pathway (GEP) is designed as an alternate pathway into the Doctor of Nursing Practice Program for applicants who have a bachelor's degree in a field other than nursing, who are not registered nurses, and who seek a doctoral degree in nursing, to become a Nurse Practitioner in a leadership role. The GEP responds to the growing need for well educated professional nurses and faculty, particularly in population focus areas such as acute and primary care.

Competencies: The Graduate Entry Pathway prepares students to meet the competencies in the American Association of Colleges of Nursing approved Baccalaureate and DNP Essentials. The Graduate School of Nursing GEP to DNP program also prepares the student to meet the competencies from the American Association of Colleges of Nursing and the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF) Core Competencies for Nurse Practitioners. Additional competencies for students who matriculate into the Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner track include the American Association of Critical Care Nurses Scope and Standards of Practice. and for students in the Family Nurse Practitioner Track, *Population Focused Competencies for Family Nurse Practitioners* (NONPF, 2013)

GEP Year 1 to DNP Curriculum = 50 total credits

| Fall Semester Year One | | Spring Semester Year One | | Summer Session Year One | |
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| NG508 Pharmacology For Nursing I | 2cr | NG509 Pharmacology for Nursing II | 1cr | NG519A Nursing IV: Clinical Capstone: Leadership and Management | 3cr |
| NG510 Concepts in Professional Nursing | 2cr | NG512 Biomedical Sciences II | 2cr | NG519B Nursing IV: Clinical Capstone: Internship | 7cr |
| NG511 Biomedical Sciences I | 3cr | NG514 Health Assessment and Skills II | 1cr | | |
| NG513 Health Assessment and Skills I | 3cr | NG517A Nursing II: Care of Persons with Acute and Chronic Conditions | 5cr | | |
| NG516A Nursing I: Care of Persons with Acute and Chronic Conditions | 5cr | NG517B Nursing II: Clinical Care of Persons with Acute and Chronic Conditions | 3cr | | |
| NG516B Nursing I: Clinical Care of Persons with Acute and Chronic Conditions | 5cr | NG518A Nursing III: Care of the Childbearing and Child Rearing Family | 5cr | | |
| | | NG518B Nursing III: Clinical Care of the Childbearing and Child Rearing Family | 3cr | | |

DNP Year One to Three Curriculum Total Academic Credits 74 adult NP tracks 77 family NP track

| Fall Semester Year One | | Spring Semester Year One | | Summer Session Year One | |
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| NG521 Transitions to Professional Practice | 1cr | NG522 Transitions to Professional Practice | 1cr | N715 Analytical Foundations of Practice Inquiry | 3cr |
| N603A Societal Trends | 3cr | N603B Community Service Learning Practicum (continues from Fall) | 1cr | N719 Genetics, Genomics, Pharmacogenomics | 3cr |
| N603B IP Community Service Learning Practicum (goes Fall through Spring) | (IP) | N615 Advanced Health Assessment | 3cr | N659 Adv. Nursing Science: I Maternal & Child Health (FNP track only) | 3cr |
| NG603C IP Clerkship | 1cr | N614 Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics | 3cr | | |
| N706 Health Policy for Health Care Professionals | 3cr | N704 Epidemiology | 3cr | | |
| N613 Advanced Pathophysiology | 3cr | N723 Quality & Safety in Health Care Organizations | 3cr | | |
| N604 Translating & Integrating Scholarship into Practice | 3cr | | | | |
| Fall Semester Year Two | | Spring Semester Year Two | | Summer Session Year Two | |
| N730A/B Adv. Nursing Science: Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Theory & Clinical Practicum I | 9cr | N731A/B Adv. Nursing Science: Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Theory II & Clinical Practicum II | 9cr | N731C Adv. Nursing Science: Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Clinical Practicum III | 1cr |
| or | | or | | or | |
| N740A/B Adv. Nursing Science: Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Theory I & Clinical Practicum I | 9cr | N741A/B Adv. Nursing Science: Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Theory II & Clinical Practicum II | 9cr | N741C Adv. Nursing Science: Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Clinical Practicum III | 1cr |
| or | | or | | or | |
| N760A/B Adv. Nursing Science: Family Nurse Practitioner Theory II & Clinical Practicum I | 9cr | N7601/B Adv. Nursing Science: Family Nurse Practitioner Theory III & Clinical Practicum II | 9cr | N761C Adv. Nursing Science: Family Nurse Practitioner Clinical Practicum III | 1cr |
| N730C Health Promotion & Disease Prevention Seminar | (IP) | N730C Health Promotion & Disease Prevention Seminar | 1cr | N708 Organizational Systems & Health Care Financing | 3cr |
| N740C | | N740C | | N709 DNP Scholarly Project Proposal | 1cr |
| N760C | | N760C | | | |
| N709 DNP Scholarly Project Proposal | 1cr | N709 DNP Scholarly Project Proposal | 1cr | | |
| | | N710 Clinical Scholarship & Analytical Methods | 3cr | | |
| Fall Semester Year Three | | Spring Semester Year Three | | | |
| N707 Biomedical Informatics | 3cr | N777 DNP Practicum | 2cr | | |
| N776 Leadership for Advanced Practice | 2cr | N773 DNP Scholarly Project : Evaluation | 2cr | | |
| N777 DNP Practicum | (IP) | NXXX Elective | 3cr | | |
| N772 DNP Scholarly Project: Implementation | 2cr | | | | |