



Transforming Advanced Nursing Practice

Objectives for the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Program

- Prepare graduates in advanced nursing practice leadership roles for careers in clinical practice with diverse populations, organizational and systems leadership in health care systems, and clinical nursing education;
- Produce advance nurse practice leaders with the 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 nursing practice 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 Post Master's Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program at the University of Massachusetts Worcester is to prepare nurse practitioner and nurse administrators graduates for advanced nursing practice leadership roles. The curriculum is designed to educate students to improve and transform health care through systems leadership, research translation, and advanced clinical knowledge. Graduates are prepared to assume advanced nursing practice leadership roles in hospitals and community-based settings, health care organizations, and schools of nursing as clinical faculty.

Competencies:

The Post Master's DNP prepares students to meet the objectives of The Essentials of Doctoral Education for Advanced Nursing Practice (American Association of Colleges of Nursing, 2006)

DNP Nurse Admins Curriculum for Post Master's DNP program

May take full time DNP course work as a part time plan: See below

IP = in progress

Full-Time Study Plan		
Year One Fall Semester	Year One Spring Semester	Year One Summer Semester
N705 Trends Influencing the DNP 3cr	N704 Principles of Epidemiology 3cr	N715 Analytical Foundations of Practice Inquiry 3cr
N709 DNP Scholarly Project: Proposal 1cr	N723 Quality & Patient Safety in Health Care Orgs 3cr	N710 Clinical Scholarship & Analytical Methods 3cr
N769 Leadership for Nurse Executive (Nurse Admins only) 3cr	N709 DNP Scholarly Project: Proposal 1cr	N708 Org. Systems and Healthcare Financing 3cr
		N709 DNP Scholarly Project Proposal 1cr
Year Two Fall Semester	Year Two Spring Semester	
N707 Biomedical Informatics 3cr	N777 DNP Practicum 2cr	Total 39 credits Nurse Admins
N706 Health Policy for Health Care Professionals 3cr	N773 DNP Scholarly Project: Evaluation 2cr	
N777 DNP Practicum IP	NXXX Elective 3cr	
N772 DNP Scholarly Project: I Implementation 2cr		

Part Time Study Plan		
Year One Fall Semester	Year One Spring Semester	Year One Summer session
N705 Trends Influencing the DNP 3cr	N704 Principles of Epidemiology 3cr	N715 Analytical Foundations of Practice Inquiry 3cr
N769 Leadership for Nurse Executive (Nurse Admins) 3cr	N723 Quality & Patient Safety in Health Care Orgs 3cr	N708 Org. Systems and Healthcare Financing 3cr
Year Two Fall Semester	Year Two Spring Session (con't)	Year Two Summer Semester
N707 Biomedical Informatics 3cr	N709 DNP Scholarly Project: Proposal 1cr	N710 Clinical Scholarship & Analytical Methods 3cr
N706 Health Policy for Health Care Professionals 3cr	NXXX Elective 3cr	N709 DNP Scholarly Project: Proposal 1cr
N709 DNP Capstone I Project Proposal 1cr		
Year Three Fall Semester	Year Three Spring Semester	
N777 DNP Practicum IP	N777 DNP Practicum 2cr	Total 39 credits APRN= advanced practice RNs
N772 DNP Scholarly Project: Implementation 2cr	N773 DNP Scholarly Project : Evaluation 2cr	

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