Transforming Advanced Practice Nursing

Adult-Gerontology Primary Care NP (AG-PCNP)
Adult-Gerontology Acute Care NP (AG-ACNP)
Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)

- Prepare NP graduates in advanced nursing practice as leaders for careers in clinical practice with diverse populations, organizational and systems leadership in health care systems, and clinical nursing education;

- Produce advanced nursing 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,

Pathways to the Doctor of Nursing Practice
BSN to DNP

RN with diploma or AD with BS in another non-nursing discipline (Pre Graduate Option)

The purpose of the BSN to Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program at the University of Massachusetts Worcester is to prepare graduates for leadership roles as nurse practitioners. 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 APN leadership roles in hospitals and community-based settings, health

The BSN to DNP prepares students to meet the objectives of, *The Essentials of Doctoral Education for Advanced Nursing Practice (*AACN, 2006), the *Nurse Practitioner Core Competencies* (NONPF, 2012), as well as the *Population Focused Competencies for Family Acute and Primary Care Nurse Practitioners* (NONPF, 2013)

DNP Curriculum Total Academic Credits 74 adult NP tracks/77 family NP track (minimum)

Fall Semester Year One	Spring Semester Year One	Summer Session Year One
N603A Societal Trends 3cr	N603B IP Community Service Learning Practicum (continues from Fall) 1cr	N715 Analytical Foundations of Practice Inquiry 3cr
N603B IP Community Service Learning Practicum IP (goes Fall through Spring)	N615 Advanced Health Assessment 3cr	N708 Organizational Systems & Health Care Financing 3cr
N613 Advanced Pathophysiology 3cr	N614 Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics 3cr	N659 Adv. Nursing Science I : Maternal & Child Health (FNP track only) 3cr
N604 Translating & Integrating Scholarship into Practice 3cr	N704 Epidemiology 3cr	
N719 Genetics, Genomics, Pharmacogenomics 3cr	N723 Quality & Safety in Health Care Organizations 3cr	
(IP = in progress)		

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/N740C/N760C Health Promotion & Disease Prevention Seminar (IP)	N730C/N740C/N760C Health Promotion & Disease Prevention Seminar 1cr	N710 Clinical Scholarship & Analytical Methods 3cr
N709 DNP Scholarly Project Proposal A 1cr	N709 DNP Scholarly Project Proposal B 1cr	N709 DNP Scholarly Project Proposal C 1cr
(IP = in progress)	N776 Leadership for Advanced Practice 3cr	

Fall Semester Year Three	Spring Semester Year Three	
N707 Biomedical Informatics 3 cr	N777 DNP Practicum 2cr	**Pre-Graduate Option students :**
N706 Health Policy for Health Care Professionals 3cr	N772 DNP Scholarly Project : Evaluation 2cr	Required to take two additional courses upon matriculation:
N777 DNP Practicum IP	*N774 DNP APN Practicum II 2cr (*optional course or make take specialty optional course)	NG519A Leadership & Management
N772 DNP Scholarly Project : Implementation 2cr		603C Population Health Clerkship
*N774 DNP APN Practicum I 1cr (*optional course or may take specialty optional course)		
NXXX Elective 3cr		

Admission Requirements

Admission to the DNP in Nursing program is based on an overall appraisal of the applicant's ability to undertake doctoral study and of their potential contributions to advanced nursing practice. An admission interview is required.
Applications to the DNP program will be considered complete when all of the following have been received:

◊   Completed on-line application via Nursing CAS
◊   Completed Background Questionnaire
◊   Completed Goal Statement
◊   Official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended
◊   Four letters of recommendation, two academic, one professional and one letter that addresses leadership potential submitted to Nursing CAS
     Evidence of an unrestricted license Massachusetts licensure as an RN
◊   Resume submitted to Nursing CAS and Completed Checklist from website
◊   Application fee made payable to the Graduate School of Nursing
◊   A notarized proof of residency (all applicants, both Massachusetts Residents and non-residents, must submit)
◊   Official GRE Scores with acceptable verbal, quantitative and writing scores (required for all students; official results must be sent directly from the Educational Testing Service (ETS))
◊   Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) is required from international students who have not earned a degree in a country where English is the primary language.
◊   Current CPR Certification for Health Care Providers (BLS) from the American Heart Association