

Leadership

BSN-DNP

Curriculum Guide



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Through coursework and clinical experiences, students develop the knowledge and skills to become nursing leaders with advanced skills in systems and management. Students enrolled in the program take selected master's core courses to enhance clinical reasoning and utilize evidence-based practice, as well as five additional courses focused on leadership development.

Doctor of Nursing Practice

The Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) is designed for nurses seeking a terminal degree in nursing practice and offers an alternative to research-focused doctoral programs.

The Breen School of Nursing, Doctor of Nursing Practice program emphasizes development of nurse leaders who use evidence-based practice for optimizing health care delivery through effective systems transformation. The curriculum for the DNP degree includes advanced practice, leadership and application of clinical research. Graduates with this terminal practice degree will be prepared for roles in direct care or indirect,

systems-focused care.

The Breen School of Nursing, Doctor of Nursing Practice program focuses on the development of nurse leaders who use evidence-based practice for optimizing health care delivery through effective systems transformation. As DNP graduates plan and implement their practice with individuals and populations, they learn to integrate the spiritual, biological, social, psychological and cultural factors that influence human responses to health and illness. The goal of DNP practice, in addition to providing excellent care to patients, is to optimize health care delivery through effective systems transformation, or planned change.

The DNP is structured as a year-round program with courses completed during the fall, spring and summer semesters. Students admitted to the DNP program may complete the program in 24 months through the full-time option. The part-time option allows students to spread the curriculum across a four-year time span by completing one course per semester.

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Graduate Admission

BSN-DNP: Leadership

	Fall (August-December) (or 1st Semester of Program)	Spring (January-May)	Summer (May-August)
Level 1	<p>NR 532: Introduction to Evidence-Based Practice (3 credits)</p> <p>NR 545: Leadership and Management in Healthcare with Leadership Practicum (4 credits)</p> <p>NR 701: Biostatistics for Outcomes Management and Evaluation (3 credits)</p>	<p>NR 533: Application of Evidence-Based Practice (3 credits)</p> <p>NR 546: Leadership for Complex Learning Organizations with Leadership Practicum (4 credits)</p> <p>NR 703: Epidemiology for Population Health (3 credits)</p>	<p>NR 535/MBA 554: Health Care Informatics/Project Management and Team Dynamics (5 credits)</p> <p>NR 547: Population Health in a Global Society (3 credits)</p> <p>NR 707: Interdisciplinary Organizational Leadership (3 credits)</p>
Level 2	<p>NR 650A/MBA 641: Health Care Policy/Managing Health Service Organizations (3 credits)</p> <p>NR 700A: Scientific Writing for Professional Nurses (1 credit)</p> <p>NR 702: Scientific and Theoretical Foundations for Advanced Practice Nursing (3 credits)</p> <p>NR 709: Evaluation Strategies for Quality Improvement (3 credits)</p>	<p>NR 650B/MBA 642: Health Care Organizations and Finance/Economics and Finance in Health Services Management (3 credits)</p> <p>NR 651: Synthesis of Advanced Nursing Practice with Leadership Practicum (3 credits)</p> <p>NR 700B: Scientific Writing for Professional Nurses (1 credit)</p> <p>NR 704: Analysis of Evidence for Advanced Nursing Practice (3 credits)</p>	<p>NR 650C/MBA 643: Advanced Practice Ethical and Legal Responsibilities/Ethical and Legal Issues in Healthcare (3 credits)</p> <p>NR 650D: Advanced Practice Roles and Responsibilities with culminating project (2 credits)</p> <p>Complete MSN</p> <p>NR 800: CAPSTONE Project Identification/DNP Residency (2 credits)</p>
Level 3	<p>NR 705: Methods for Conducting Evidence-Based Projects (3 credits)</p> <p>NR 801: CAPSTONE Project Proposal/DNP Residency (2 credits)</p>	<p>NR 708: Advanced Healthcare Informatics (3 credits)</p> <p>NR 802: CAPSTONE Project Implementation/DNP Residency (2 credits)</p>	<p>NR 706: Advanced Healthcare Management and Policy (3 credits)</p> <p>NR 803: CAPSTONE Project Dissemination/DNP Residency (2 credits)</p> <p>Complete DNP</p>

Total credit hours: 73

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