



Post-Masters DNP Leadership Program

The Post-Masters Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Leadership program is designed for nurses on a leadership trajectory across all settings. The program builds on the student's previous MSN program outcomes. This program is designed to incorporate the ongoing changes in the healthcare system. The Essentials of the Doctoral Education for Advanced Nursing Practice, Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN) and the American Organization of Nurse Leaders (AONL) competencies are embedded in this program. Students completing this program are prepared to take the leadership certification exam offered through the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) or AONL. This program is a hybrid program (primarily online with one or two face-to-face classes per course). DNP Project experience hours are obtained through the development, implementation, and evaluation of the required DNP project.



Role and Qualifications: Students in this program come from varied roles ranging from staff nurse-to-nurse executive, and across varied settings to include practice, academia, and industry.

Scope of Practice: Graduates of this program are expected to lead healthcare organizations across the continuum in changing the delivery of care and the expected outcomes for our clients, community, and global health. Graduates of this program will contribute to the discipline of nursing through innovation and evidence.

Curriculum: The Post-Masters DNP Leadership Program is 42 credits. Applications are accepted in both Fall and Spring semesters on a rolling basis. The following are the required courses:

DNP Core Courses:

Course #	Course Title	Cr. Hrs.	Project Hrs.**
NURS 6010	Clinical Scholarship	2	
NURS 6060	Clinical Inquiry for Evidence-Based Practice	3	
NURS 6930	Information Technology for Evidence-Based Practice	3	
NURS 6980	Epidemiology and Population Health	3	
NURS 6020	Management and Analysis of Health Data for the Doctor of Nursing Practice	3	
NURS 6940	Evidence Translation and Implementation Science	3	
NURS 6030	DNP Project Planning & Proposal Development*	3	
NURS 6031	DNP Project Implementation*	2	
NURS 6032	DNP Project Evaluation and Dissemination*	2	

Supplemental Courses:

Course #	Course Title	Cr. Hrs.	Project Hrs.**
CLDR 6510	Managing Human Capital	3	
CLDR 6530	Healthcare Economics & Business Practices	3	



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Course #	Course Title	Cr. Hrs.	Project Hrs.
CLDR 6400	Leadership Across the Continuum Theory	3	~35
CLDR 6420	Organizational Complexity Theory	3	~35
CLDR 6440	Quality & Safety in Healthcare Theory	3	~35
CLDR 6460	Creating & Sustaining Quality Organizations Theory	3	~35
Totals		42	min. 500

In addition to the successful completion of the above course requirements, all DNP students must meet all the DNP project requirements set forth by the program. *A student who does not complete their DNP project during the project-related courses will be registered for a 1-credit project continuation course in subsequent semesters until the project is complete. **The minimum number of combined practicum and DNP project experience hours is 1000. A gap analysis will be completed by the Specialty Director upon admission.to determine how many hours are required.