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Post-Baccalaureate DNP Women's Health Nurse Practitioner Program

The Post-Baccalaureate Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Women's Health Nurse Practitioner Program is based at the Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences Campus in Newark, NJ. Graduates are eligible for certification to practice as a Women's Health Nurse Practitioner in the State of New Jersey with prescriptive authority. Graduates are eligible to take the women's health certification exam, which is administered by the National Certification Corporation (NCC).

Role and Qualifications: The Advanced Practice Nurse in Women's Health graduate has a DNP degree and advanced preparation in the assessment and management of changing health patterns in women across the life span.

Scope of Practice: A doctorally-prepared Women's Health Nurse Practitioner is prepared to be a practice leader at the highest level in the application and translation of evidence-based research to improve systems in healthcare for women. The DNP emphasizes advanced leadership and expertise to challenge the standards of practice and create innovative models of care.

Curriculum: The Post-Baccalaureate DNP Women's Health Nurse Practitioner Program is 72-credits with 630 precepted practicum hours. The following are the required courses for this program:

Core Courses:

Course #	Course Title	Cr. Hrs.	Clinical Hrs.
NURS 5104	Advanced Pathophysiology	3	
NURS 5105	Advanced Clinical Pharmacology	3	
ADHA 5107	Advanced Health Assessment	3	

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 6040	Determinants of Health	3	
NURS 6780	Healthcare Economics & Business Practices	3	
CLDR 6400	Leadership Across the Continuum Theory	3	
NURS 6980	Epidemiology and Population Health	3	
CLDR 6440	Quality and Safety in Healthcare Theory	3	
NURS 6020	Management and Analysis of Health Data for the Doctor of Nursing Practice	3	
NURS 6940	Evidence Translation & Implementation Science	3	
NURS 6030	DNP Project Planning and Proposal Development*	3	
NURS 6031	DNP Project Implementation*	2	
NURS 6032	DNP Project Evaluation and Dissemination*	2	

The Doctor of Nursing Practice program at Rutgers School of Nursing is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (www.aacn.nche.edu/ccne-accreditation).

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Specialty Courses:

Course #	Course Title	Cr. Hrs.	Clinical Hrs.
WHNM 6109	Mental Health, Intimate Partner Violence & Addictive Behaviors in Women	3	
WHNM 6207	Women's Health/ Nurse-Midwifery Theory 1: Gynecological Care	3	
WHNM 6208	Women's Health/ Nurse-Midwifery Practicum 1: Gynecological Care	3	135
WHNM 6307	Women's Health/ Nurse-Midwifery Theory 2: Childbearing	3	
WHNM 6308	Women's Health/ Nurse-Midwifery Practicum 2: Childbearing	3	135
WHNM 6107	Women's Health/ Nurse-Midwifery Theory 3: Primary Care of Women	3	
WHNM 6108	Women's Health/ Nurse-Midwifery Practicum 3: Primary Care of Women	3	135
WHNP 6507	Women's Health Theory 4: Integration of Role	3	
WHNP 6508	Women's Health Practicum 4: Integration of Role	3	225
	Total Program Credits and Clinical Hours	**72**	**630**

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 clinical practicum and DNP project experience hours is 1000. Students, however, may be required to complete more than 1000 hours to meet minimum competency requirements for graduation and certification (when applicable).

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