Transforming Advanced Nursing Practice

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.

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.

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)

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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 N706 Health Policy for Health Care Professionals 3cr N709 DNP Scholarly Project: Proposal 1cr	N704 Principles of Epidemiology 3cr N723 Quality & Patient Safety in Health Care Orgs 3cr N709 DNP Scholarly Project: Proposal 1cr N710 Clinical Scholarship & Analytical Methods 3cr	N715 Analytical Foundations of Practice Inquiry 3cr 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 N769 Leadership for Nurse Executive (Nurse Admins only) 3cr N777 DNP Practicum IP N772 DNP Scholarly Project: I Implementation 2cr	N777 DNP Practicum 2cr N773 DNP Scholarly Project: Evaluation 2cr NXXX Elective 3cr	Total 39 credits Nurse Admins

Part Time Study Plan

Year One Fall Semester	Year One Spring Semester	Year One Summer session
N705 Trends Influencing the DNP 3cr N706 Health Policy for Health Care Professionals 3cr	N704 Principles of Epidemiology 3cr N723 Quality & Patient Safety in Health Care Orgs 3cr	N715 Analytical Foundations of Practice Inquiry 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 Capstone I Project Proposal 1cr	N709 DNP Scholarly Project: Proposal 1cr N710 Clinical Scholarship & Analytical Methods 3cr	N709 DNP Scholarly Project: Proposal 1cr NXXX Elective 3cr
Year Three Fall Semester	**Year Three Spring Semester**	
N769 Leadership for Nurse Executive (Nurse Admins) 3cr N777 DNP Practicum IP N772 DNP Scholarly Project: Implementation 2cr	N777 DNP Practicum 2cr N773 DNP Scholarly Project : Evaluation 2cr	Total 39 credits APRN= advanced practice RNs

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