

# Nursing Practice, Doctor, MSN to DNP

The post master's entry point is designed for graduate-prepared nurses who want to develop the knowledge, skills, and expertise to become clinical scholars, transformational leaders, and function at the highest level of nursing practice while obtaining a terminal degree in nursing practice.

## Admission Criteria

- Admission to the University by completing the UMSL Graduate School application
- Completion of College of Nursing supplemental application
- MSN from a nationally accredited nursing program
- MSN 3.0 GPA
- Current professional licensure
- Completion of an undergraduate general statistics course or **Graduate graduate** level general statistics course

See the UMSL College of Nursing's website for the application process and specific program deadlines.

## Degree Requirements

NURSE 6424	Social Determinants of Health	3
<del>NURSE 7209</del>	<del>Advanced Nursing Roles and the Role of the DNP</del>	<del>3</del>
NURSE 7211	Biostatistics I	3
NURSE 7215	Evidence-Base Practice for the DNP	3
NURSE 7220	Leadership in Practice	3
NURSE 7230	Epidemiology	3

NURSE 7240	Health Informatics	3
<del>NURSE 7251</del>	<del>Healthcare Economics</del>	<del>3</del>
NURSE 7260	Program Evaluation and Quality Management in Healthcare	3
NURSE 7291	DNP Capstone I	2
NURSE 7292	DNP Capstone II	2
NURSE 7293	DNP Capstone III	2
NURSE 7443	Healthcare Policy	3
Nursing elective ( <del>choose one of the following</del> ):		3
<del>NURSE 6321</del>	<del>Instructional Strategies in Nursing</del>	
<del>NURSE 6420</del>	<del>Healthcare Law and Regulation</del>	
<del>NURSE 6660</del>	<del>Introduction to Health Systems</del>	
<del>NURSE 7200</del>	<del>State of the Science in Nursing Research</del>	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>33</b>

Prior to completion of the DNP program, students will complete a clinical scholarship project that satisfies the graduate school requirement.

Sign-offs from other departments affected by this proposal

None

## Rationale

The MSN to DNP Curriculum was recently updated to reflect needed changes to the DNP Curriculum based on student needs. NURSE 7209 Advanced Nursing Roles and the Role of the DNP was removed from the curriculum (this course content was merged with other courses throughout the curriculum). NURSE 7251 Health Economics course content is being merged with NURSE 7443 Healthcare Policy and Economics. The general "Nursing Elective" statement was added and specific Nursing Electives were taken out of the curriculum, due to electives always changing. NURSE 7215 Evidence-Based Practice for the DNP was added to the curriculum to bring in needed course content to further assist students with their DNP projects and conducting literature reviews/research.