

Doctor of Nursing Practice

Admission Requirements

The deadline for DNP applications for admission is April 1. Admission may be considered at a later date depending on space.

- ~~Graduation from an MSN program or post-MSN APN certificate program with national nursing accreditation~~ GPA of 3.0 or higher **at the BSN or MSN level**
- 2 ~~Reference~~ **reference** letters
- A proposed DNP project that matches faculty expertise
- Interview by invitation
- Evidence of ~~eligibility for advanced practice certification or current certification in an advanced practice role~~ **an RN license in the state of Missouri or compact state**
- **If entering with an MSN as an APRN, advanced practice certification or current certification in an advanced practice role**
- Current or eligible for advanced practice nursing recognition in Missouri or eligible for recognition as an advanced practice nurse in Missouri

~~The DNP curriculum is divided into 4 general categories:~~

- ~~• Leadership development and change~~
- ~~• Policy~~
- ~~• Practice focused evaluation/translational research~~
- ~~• Clinical excellence~~

~~A graduate level general statistics course completed within the previous five years is a prerequisite to NURSE 7230, Epidemiology and is required prior to the first fall semester. Such a course may be taken concurrently with NURSE 7401 Research Institute I during the first summer semester of the program.~~

The DNP Curriculum focuses on three tiers:

1. **Foundational Concepts**
2. **Clinical Expertise**
3. **Integration of Practice**

Degree Requirements

Core Content

Completion of the DNP program requires **the completion of** the following ~~courses~~ **core content for all emphasis areas:**

NURSE 7401	Research Institute I	2
NURSE 6111	Healthcare Systems Concepts and Theory	3

NURSE 6130	Research, Interventions and Evidence-Based Practice	3
NURSE 6660	Introduction to Health Systems Management, and Policy for Underserved	3
NURSE 7200	Nursing State of the Science in Nursing Research and Practice	3
or elective		
NURSE 7209	Role of the DNP	3
NURSE 7211	Biostatistics I	3
NURSE 7220	Leadership in Practice	3
NURSE 7230	Epidemiology	3
NURSE 7240	Health Informatics	3
NURSE 7251	Healthcare Economics	3
NURSE 7260	Program and Practice Evaluation and Quality Management in Healthcare	3
NURSE 7291	DNP Clinical Scholarship 1 Capstone I	3
NURSE 7292	DNP Clinical Scholarship 2 Capstone II	3
NURSE 7293	DNP Clinical Scholarship 3 Capstone III	3
NURSE 7443	Healthcare Policy	3
NURSE 7250	Frameworks for Healthcare Delivery and Policy	3
NURSE 7299	DNP Seminar	4-3

~~Near the end~~ **Prior to completion** of the DNP ~~program,~~ **Program,** students will complete a clinically-focused **scholarly** project that satisfies the ~~Graduate School~~ **graduate school** requirements. ~~This project is completed while the student is enrolled in:~~

The minimum hours to complete a DNP if entering with an MSN is 36 hours. If entering with a BSN, the DNP requires 71-76 hours based upon emphasis area.

NURSE 7291	DNP Clinical Scholarship 1	3
NURSE 7292	DNP Clinical Scholarship 2	3
NURSE 7293	DNP Clinical Scholarship 3	3
NURSE 7299	DNP Seminar	4-3
Total Hours		0

~~Total Minimum Graduate Credit Hours 30~~

Sign-offs from other departments affected by this proposal

None

Rationale	Removing grad level stats course because it is being replaced by Biostats I, which had previously been approved/offered in the DNP program. Reconciling other coursework to accommodate additional proposed emphasis areas. Other edits were editorial.
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