

DNP Intensives

Intensive	Title	Theme	Example of Activities	Dates
1	Orientation (Virtual)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. General UMSL Information 2. Role of the DNP 3. Writing Workshop 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accessing/using technology • UMSL services: CTL, Library, LRL, IT, etc. • Understanding DNP vs PhD • DNP Essentials • Basic writing skills 	W-Th-F First week of fall semester at the beginning of the program
2	Fall Intensive (Hybrid: Virtual & On-campus Requirements)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Advanced Assessment Skills 2. Well-Person History & Physical Exam (H&P) 3. Suturing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessing systems (e.g., ophthalmic, ENT, etc.) • Documenting a general H&P • GYN and prostate examinations • Perform a well-person exam (OSCE)* • Suturing 	August-November The year of the Advanced Health Assessment & Clinical Diagnostics courses
3	Spring Intensive (Virtual)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Palliative Care 2. SBIRT 3. Exposure to Violence 4. Mental Health Exam 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ELNEC graduate curriculum • SBIRT graduate curriculum • ACEs, domestic/intimate partner/elder/child/sexual maltreatment • Perform a mental health exam via telehealth (OSCE)* 	January-April The spring semester following the fall intensive
4	DNP Defenses (Virtual)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Final Project Presentations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final DNP clinical scholarship project presentation • Final DNP clinical scholarship project poster presentation 	W-Th-F First full week after July 4 th holiday in the Capstone 3 course

* OSCE: Objective Structured Clinical Exam. Students will perform the OSCE on live actors/actresses called “standardized patients” (SPs).

- Intensives 1, 2, and 3 will have a Canvas course site for all relevant materials and assignments to be completed during the time allotted for the Intensive. The Intensive Canvas courses will be available at the beginning of the semester of the Intensive.
- Intensive 2 (Fall Intensive) will require some on-campus training. There will be a variety of dates/times over a six-week period for students to sign-up and complete required activities on-campus. For out-of-town students, a three-day segment containing all required on-campus activities will be available on W-Th-F in the first full week of October to minimize travel costs.
- Intensive 4 (DNP Defenses) is dependent on the number of students who will be prepared to defend their clinical scholarship projects in July (summer). A schedule of students and their projects will be available approximately one-month prior to the defense dates. In the case of students who complete their projects in the fall or spring semesters, a special one- or two-day defense date may be scheduled in April (spring) or November (fall) depending on the number of students completing their projects in the spring and fall semesters.