

# COURSE DESCRIPTIONS - DNP

## NURS 690 DNP Practicum (1-9 SH)

Students enroll in this course when they transfer in less than 400 practicum hours from their Master's program. Tuition for these hours is set at a lower rate than other courses in the program.

## NURS 700 Foundations for Clinical Scholarship (3 SH)

This course assists the student transition from practice into doctoral education from a sacred covenant philosophical framework. Additional topics to be considered are practice approaches based on theoretical, philosophical and historical underpinnings, scholarly writing, and introduction to grant writing. A guided executive summary is the major writing assignment for this course. There is a required residency in this course. Practicum hours: 20.

## NURS 702 Health Information Technology (3 SH)

This course covers key topics in changes in technology, policies, and innovations that have occurred, historically and recently. Topics also include health informatics (HI) overview, electronic health records, healthcare data analytics, health information exchange, architecture of information systems, evidence based practice, consumer health informatics, HI ethics, and quality improvement strategies for HI.

## NURS 704 Biostatistics (3 SH)

Provides an overview of principles, practices and influences of biostatistics. Topics include ability to critique relevance of statistical methods, basic data management skills, and application of research to the clinical setting. Students will use quantitative measures to determine risk and association with health outcome rates. Practicum hours: 20.

## NURS 706 Population Health & Epidemiology (3 SH)

Provides an overview of principles, practices and influences of epidemiology on health and health care delivery. Content includes identifying and evaluating key population health issues; exploring the roles of local, state, and federal governments in relationship to the core functions of population health; examining health disparities at the local, state, and federal levels; analyzing health systems' approach to health promotion and disease prevention; and exploring practice models that result in interprofessional collaborations for improved health outcomes.

## NURS 708 Translational Science (3 SH)

The course focuses on critically appraising existing quantitative and qualitative evidence from the literature. The overarching theme is for students to critically appraise existing evidence to develop methods to affect change in practice. Students will develop a literature review matrix in preparation for their DNP project.

## NURS 710 Healthcare Policy (3 SH)

This course examines various systems to eliminate health disparities; utilization and case management; healthcare budget and financing; and demonstrate leadership in the development and implementation of health policy.

## NURS 712 Organizational & Systems Leadership (3 SH)

A variety of topics are explored in this course: leadership theory, risk management in organizations, leading Interprofessional teams, relationship management, shared decision-making, working within a diverse workforce, change management, and developing restorative organizations. Practicum hours: 20.

## NURS 800 DNP Project Development (3 SH)

This is the first of three courses leading to the completion of the DNP project. Included in this course are 120 practicum hours working on the DNP project. Topics to be addressed include ethics in project development and implementation, completion of a systematic review of the relevant literature, and design and approval of the DNP project.

NURS 802 DNP Project Implementation (6 SH)

This is the second of the three DNP project courses. The DNP project is implemented in clinical practice; 300 practicum hours are required. Formal peer critique is included in this course. Students will synthesize knowledge from previous coursework and apply concepts to their DNP project.

NURS 804 DNP Project Analysis & Dissemination (3 SH)

This is the final course in the program. The focus of this course is for the student to analyze and disseminate their project. This course requires 120 practicum hours.

NURS 898 Final Project Research & Writing (1 SH)

Registration for this course gives students access to library and computer resources while finishing the requirements for the DNP project. It may only be taken after all other requirements have been satisfied and may be taken as many times as needed until the project is completed. This is a full semester course.