The DNP Program of Study is the required curriculum for the specialty. The DNP program curriculum is sequenced to support students' academic trajectories. The program of study lists courses required for every semester. DNP courses are only available once a year. Therefore, it is imperative to follow the DNP Program of Study each semester when registering for classes. Students should meet with their faculty advisor minimally once a semester to review their program of study. The student's responsibility is to follow their DNP Program of Study and notify their faculty advisor to request changes to their DNP Program of Study. Changes to the DNP Program of Study will impact the projected graduation date and require approval by the faculty advisor.

### Year – 1

**Fall Semester**
- Resident Intensive Summer Experience (RISE-1)
- NURS 629 Statistical Inference for Evidence-based Practice (3 units)
- NURS 652 Methods for Scholarly Inquiry (2 units)
- NURS 695B DNP Forum: The Scholarship and Practice of Nursing (2 units)
- NURS 704 Philosophy and Theory for the DNP (3 units)

**Spring Semester**
- NURS 501 Advanced Physiology & Pathophysiology (3 units)
- NURS 642 Health Policy and Economics (3 units)
- NURS 751 Evidence-Based Practice (3 units)

**Summer Semester**
- NURS 572 Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics for Nursing (3 units)
- NURS 752 Evaluation Methodologies for Safety and Quality Improvement (3 units)

### Year – 2

**Fall Semester**
- Resident Intensive Summer Experience (RISE-2)
- NURS 573 Psychopharmacology (1 unit)
- NURS 609A Health Assessment (3 units)
- NURS 646 Healthcare Informatics: Theory & Practice (3 units)
- NURS 688 Organizational Leadership and Finance in Health Systems (3 units)

**Spring Semester**
- Clinical Immersion #1 (on-campus)
- NURS 542 Pediatric Pharmacotherapeutics (1 unit)
- NURS 628 Introduction to Behavioral Health Therapy Across the Lifespan (3 units)
- NURS 629A Advanced Family Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing I (4 units) – **180 Clinical Hours**
- NURS 629C Advanced Family Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing III: Child and Adolescent (2 units)
- NURS 922 DNP Project (2 units)

**Summer Semester**
- Clinical Immersion #2 (on-campus)
- NURS 629B Advanced Family Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing II (4 units) – **180 Clinical Hours**
- NURS 695C Interprofessional Collaboration in Healthcare Teams (1 unit)
- NURS 922 DNP Project (2 units)
Year-3

Fall Semester

- Clinical Immersion #3 (on-campus)
- NURS 683 Advanced Practice Nursing Issues in the Care of Older Adults (3 units)
- NURS 693A Clinical Residency (5 units) – **360 Clinical Hours**
- NURS 753 Population Health for DNPs (3 units)
- NURS 922 DNP Project (2 units)

Summary

Totals & Requirements

- Time to Degree 2.5 years
- 67 Total Units
- 720 clinical hours
- Required to attend RISE-1 & RISE-2 (Virtual)
- Required to attend Clinical Immersions 1, 2, & 3 (on-campus)

Additional Student Resources

- [DNP Program Handbook](#)
- [DNP Program Clinical Handbook](#)
- [University of Arizona Graduate College Student Policies](#)