

The program guide is the required course sequence and schedule. Any changes must be discussed with your academic advisor and approved.

**Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (AGACNP) Specialty  
 Full Time Guide**

**RISE 1**

Begin program by attending Resident Intensive Summer Experience (RISE)

**Fall Year 1**

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 629 Statistical Inference for Evidence-based Practice	3		Complete Responsible Conduct of Research Statement & Plan of Study via GradPath.  Complete Transfer Coursework Form
NURS 652 Methods for Scholarly Inquiry	2		
NURS 695B DNP Forum	2		
NURS 704 Philosophy and Theory for the DNP	3		
<b>Total Year Units:</b>	<b>10</b>		

**Spring Year 1**

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 501 Advanced Physiology & Pathophysiology	3		
NURS 642 Health Policy and Economics	3		
NURS 751 Evidence-Based Practice	3		
<b>Total Year Units:</b>	<b>9</b>		

**Summer Year 1**

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 572 Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics for Nursing	3		
NURS 695C Interprofessional Collaboration in Healthcare Teams	1		
NURS 752 Eval Methodologies for Safety & Quality Improvement	3		
<b>Total Year Units:</b>	<b>7</b>		

**RISE 2**

Register to attend the Resident Intensive Summer Experience (RISE) in August if registered for NURS 609a Health Assessment in Fall Year 2

**Fall Year 2**

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 609A Health Assessment <sup>1</sup>	3	<sup>1</sup> This course will begin during RISE and continue through the Fall Year.  <sup>2</sup> NURS 922 DNP Project: 6 total units are required	Doctoral Committee Appointment Form: File this form via GradPath by no later than the end of the Fall Year-2 semester.
NURS 646 Healthcare Informatics: Theory & Practice	3		
NURS 650 Theories of Leadership & Organizational Management	3		
NURS 922 DNP Project <sup>2</sup>	1		
<b>Total Year Units:</b>	<b>10</b>		

**Spring Year 2**

Attend the Clinical Skills Intensive (CSI) prior to Spring Term 2 if registered for NURS 615

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 574 Pharmacology in Acute Care	1	<sup>3</sup> (3 units didactic, 2 units practicum=180 clinical hours)	
NURS 615 Adult-Gerontology: Diagnosis & Management of Chronic & Acute Illness <sup>3</sup>	5		
NURS 682 Cardiac Rhythm Analysis & Interventions	1		
NURS 922 DNP Project	2		
<b>Total Year Units: Total Clinical Practicum Hours:</b>	<b>9 180</b>		

Summer Year 2			
Intensivist Clinical Skills workshop (if interested in critical care rotation or hospital credential)			
Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 616 Adult-Gerontology Diagnosis & Management of Chronic & Acute Illness II <sup>4</sup>	5	<sup>4</sup> (3 units didactic, 2 units Practicum=180 clinical hours)	<b>DNP Project Proposal:</b> Complete and submit to DNP Project Committee after 922 DNP Project Course is completed in Spring Year 2
NURS 680 Women's Health in Advanced Practice Nursing	2		
NURS 684 Adult-Gerontology Traumatic Injury and Emergent Illness	1		
NURS 922 DNP Project	1		
<b>Total Year Units:</b> <b>Total Clinical Practicum Hours:</b>	<b>9</b> <b>180</b>		
Fall Year 3			
Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 685 Clinical Issues in the Care of Acutely ill Older Adults	3	<sup>5</sup> (1 unit didactic, 4 units practicum=360 clinical hours)	<b>DNP Portfolio:</b> Portfolio must be finalized for review by the end of the year. <b>DNP Project:</b> Complete and submit the DNP Project for graduation
NURS 693a Clinical Residency <sup>5</sup>	5		
NURS 753 Population Health for DNP's	3		
NURS 922 DNP Project	2		
<b>Total Year Units:</b> <b>Total Clinical Practicum Hours:</b>	<b>13</b> <b>360</b>		
Spring Year 3 (If needed)			
Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 922 DNP Project	1-2		
<b>Total Year Units:</b>	<b>1-2</b>		
<b>DEGREE UNIT TOTAL: 67</b>			
<b>TOTAL CLINICAL PRACTICUM HOURS: 720</b>			

#### Program Notes

- **Nurse Faculty Loan Recipients:** NFLP recipients should take NURS 602 (Academic Faculty Role: Theory and Application) as a 3-unit elective course. NFLP recipients are also required to take NURS 694 (Teaching Practicum) for 1-6 units.
- **Rural Health Professions Program (RHPP) Scholars:** 3 rural focused courses are required for RHPP Scholars, and 1 rural course must be selected from 773, 774, and/or 638.
- **Course Availability:** Courses are typically taught once per year and must be taken in the order listed.
- **Summer Courses:** Courses offered during the summer semester may be offered between variable dates. Students are encouraged to review all courses in the University's official schedule for accurate start and end dates.
- **Program Milestones:** A complete checklist of all program milestones, including instructions, is available via CON website - Resources - Student Resources - DNP Program Forms & Resources.
- **Resident Intensive Summer Experience (RISE):** DNP students are required to attend the RISE experience twice during the program.
- **Clinical Skills Intensive (CSI):** Students are required to attend the CSI experience during Spring Year 2
- **Transfer Units:** Students who have previously completed graduate level coursework may be eligible to transfer up to 9 units into the program in consultation with faculty advisor after admission to the program.

#### Additional Student Resources

- DNP Program Handbook
- DNP Program Clinical Handbook
- University of Arizona Graduate College Student Policies
- [DNP Program Progression Guide – Full-time Student](#)
- DNP Program Progression Guide – Part-time Student