

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

Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) 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		
NURS 753 Population Health for DNPs	3		
Total Year Units:	13		

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		
Total Year Units:	9		

Summer Year 1

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 572 Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics for Nursing	3		
NURS 752 Eval Methodologies for Safety & Quality Improvement	3		
Total Year Units:	6		

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 573 Psychopharmacology	1	¹ This course will begin during RISE and continue through the Fall Year. ² 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 609A Health Assessment ¹	3		
NURS 646 Healthcare Informatics: Theory & Practice	3		
NURS 650 Theories of Leadership & Organizational Management	3		
NURS 922 DNP Project ²	1		
Total Year Units:	11		

Spring Year 2

Register to attend the Clinical Skills Intensive (CSI) in Spring Year 2 if registered for NURS 629a in Spring Year 2

Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 542 Pediatric pharmacology	1	³ (2 units didactic, 2 units practicum = <u>180 total</u> clinical hours this term) ⁴ (of the 720 required clinical hours, at least 100 clinical hours must be in direct care of children/ adolescents)	
NURS 628 Introduction to Behavioral Health Therapy Across the Lifespan	3		
NURS 629a Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing I ^{3,4} (PMHNP)	4		
NURS 629c Advanced PMHNP III: Focus on children and adolescents (didactic course)	2		
NURS 922 DNP Project	2		
Total Year Units: Total Clinical Practicum Hours:	12 180		

Summer Year 2			
Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 629b Advanced PMHNP II ⁵	4	⁵ (2 units didactic, 2 units practicum = <u>180 total</u> clinical hours this term)	DNP Project Proposal: Complete and submit to DNP Project Committee after 922 DNP Project Course is completed in Spring Year 2
NURS 695C Interprofessional Collaboration in Healthcare Teams	1		
NURS 922 DNP Project	1		
Total Year Units:		6	
Total Clinical Practicum Hours:		180	
Fall Year 3			
Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 683 Advanced Practice Nursing Issues in the Care of Older Adults	3	⁶ (1 unit didactic, 4 units practicum = <u>360 total</u> clinical hours this term)	DNP Portfolio: Portfolio must be finalized for review by the end of the year. DNP Project: Complete and submit the DNP Project for graduation
NURS 693a Clinical Residency ⁶ (PMHNP)	5		
NURS 922 DNP Project	2		
Total Year Units:		10	
Total Clinical Practicum Hours:		360	
Spring Year 3 (If needed)			
Course Title	Units	Course Notes	Program Milestones
NURS 922 DNP Project	1-2		
Total Year Units:		1-2	
DEGREE UNIT TOTAL: <u>67</u>			
TOTAL CLINICAL PRACTICUM HOURS: <u>720</u>			

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](#)