ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSING

Post-MSN Part-Time Plan of Study for the DNP Degree

Year 1, Fall Semester				
NRDNP	854	Scientific Underpinnings for Practice	3 sh	(3,0,0)
NRDNP	860	Applied Epidemiology and Biostatistics in Health Care	4 sh	(4,0,0)
Year 1, Spring Semester				
NRDNP	846	Frameworks for Leadership & Interprofessional Collaboration	3 sh	(3,0,0)
NRPHD	708	Advanced Health Policy and Advocacy	3 sh	(3,0,0)
Year 1, Summer Semester				
NRDNP	830	Applied Health Care Economics and Finance	3 sh	(3,0,0)
NRDNP	836	Informatics in Health Care Delivery	3 sh	(3,0,0)
Year 2, Fall Semester				
NRDNP	850	Organizational Theory and Health Care Systems	3 sh	(3,0,0)
NRDNP	858	Evidence-Based Practice, Quality and Safety	3 sh	(3,0,0)
NRDNP	890	Residency *(45 clinical hours)*	1 sh	(0,0,1)
Year 2, Spring Semester				
NRDNP	862	Practice Inquiry and IRB	3 sh	(3,0,0)
NRDNP	890	Residency *(90 clinical hours- approx 6 hrs/wk)*	2 sh	(0,0,2)
Year 2, Summer Semester				
NRDNP	890	Residency *(210 clinical hours- approx 14 hrs/wk)*	5 sh	(0,0,5)
		Minimum DNP course work	**36 sh**	**(28,0,8)**

sh=semester hour. Semester hour to clock hour ratio: Didactic, 1:1; seminar, 1:2; practicum, 1:3.
3(3, 0, 0) = (3 sh didactic, 0 sh seminar, 0 sh practicum) = 3 sh total

Graduate students can elect to add Nurse Educator courses to include NURSM 615, NURSM 703, NURSM 713 and NRPHD 800.

A minimum of 1,000 practicum hours are required to earn a DNP degree, including preceptored practicum hours earned from the MSN degree. Deficit practicum hours, if any, will be added to the residency practicum hours.

According to College Policy, all MSN/DNP students must graduate within 1.5 years times the length of the program; therefore, the part-time Post-MSN DNP plan must be completed within 3 years from the date of initial enrollment. Courses in the DNP program are offered once per year; either fall, spring, or summer semesters. Any deviation from this plan may jeopardize program completion and must be approved by the Director of MSN/DNP Programs.