Nursing, DNP—Post-Master's

The Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) is a practice-oriented degree designed to prepare advanced nurses at the highest level of scholarly practice. Keeping pace with the demands of today's changing healthcare environment requires clinical experts who have the knowledge and skills to be effective change agents. Graduates of our post-master's DNP program assume clinical and leadership positions as advanced nurses in a variety of roles including clinical experts, nurse executives, community leaders, and professional organization leaders.

The Northeastern University post-master's DNP program includes advanced course work in leadership, practice inquiry, population health, informatics, and health policy. Our goal is to prepare the next generation of nurse leaders with a greater breadth of expertise so they can collaborate more effectively with interprofessional partners and provide leadership to enhance quality and safety. The DNP program curriculum is delivered online in an executive model hybrid format, with the on-ground meetings at the Boston campus.

If you are a registered nurse with at least two years of active advanced nursing experience, you may enter the DNP program after completing a master's degree in nursing or, in some cases, a related health field. A DNP Scholarly Project and 1,000 scholarly practice hours are required for program completion. A gap analysis upon admission will determine how many, if any, practice hours from a previously completed Master of Science in Nursing practicum qualify toward this practice hour requirement. An ePortfolio is used to document all scholarly practice hours and DNP program achievements.

Program Requirements

Complete all courses and requirements listed below unless otherwise indicated.

Core Requirements

A grade of B or higher is required in each course.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Core		
NRSG 6300	Healthcare Finance and Marketing	3
NRSG 6306	Health Informatics	3
NRSG 7100	Leadership in Advanced Practice Nursing	3
NRSG 7924	Applied Epidemiology for Advanced Nursing	3
NRSG 7925	Health Policy and Advocacy	3
Project		
NRSG 7920	The Steps to Practice Inquiry: Analyze, Evaluate, Synthesize, and Apply the Evidence	3
NRSG 7921	DNP Scholarly Project 1: Design and Ethical Consideration of Practice Application	3
NRSG 7922	DNP Scholarly Project 2: Applying Practice Knowledge—Implementation/ Outcomes	3
NRSG 7923	DNP Scholarly Project 3: Dissemination of Practice Inquiry	3

Elective

Code	Title	Hours
Complete 3 semester hours, selected in consultation with faculty program advisor.		3

Program Credit/GPA Requirements

30 total semester hours required
Minimum 3.000 GPA required