

# Nursing, DNP

The Northeastern University Doctor of Nursing Practice program is designed to prepare future nurse leaders by integrating advanced evidence-based clinical practice, interdisciplinary collaboration, healthcare innovation, fiscal responsibility, and principles of leadership to impact patient and/or system-level outcomes. Utilizing implementation science and project management theory, the DNP students design and implement a DNP project that may include new models of care, implementing and evaluating evidence-based practice guidelines, performing a financial analysis of varying models of care, or analyzing and/or implementing healthcare policy. This Nursing, DNP program can be completed in 33 months of full-time study and is designed for students entering with a BS in Nursing who intend to practice as nurse practitioners.

Students who already possess a master's nursing degree (Post-Masters) and intend to complete the DNP should consider the Nursing, DNP-Post-Master's (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/nursing-practice-dnp/>) program. Students entering with a bachelor's nursing degree who intend to practice as nurse executives, nurse educators, or patient safety specialists should consider the MS Nursing Leadership (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/nursing-leadership-ms/>) program. Students entering with a bachelor's nursing degree who intend to practice as nurse anesthetists should consider the Nurse Anesthesia, DNP (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/health-sciences/nursing/nurse-anesthesia-dnp/>) program.

## Program Requirements

- Concentrations and course offerings may vary by campus and/or by program modality. Please consult with your advisor or admissions coach for the course availability each term at your campus or within your program modality.
- Certain options within the program may be *required* at certain campuses or for certain program modalities. Please consult with your advisor or admissions coach for requirements at your campus or for your program modality.

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
NRSG 5117	Advanced Pharmacology	2
NRSG 5121	Epidemiology and Population Health	3
NRSG 5126	Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice	3
NRSG 6115	Health Assessment	3
NRSG 6300	Healthcare Finance and Marketing	3
NRSG 6302	Health Policy and Law	3
NRSG 6306	Health Informatics	3
NRSG 7100	Leadership in Advanced Practice Nursing	3
NRSG 7105	Translating Research Evidence into Practice	3
NRSG 7500	Role/Practice Issues in Nurse Anesthesia	3
NRSG 7911	DNP Project Immersion 1	1
NRSG 7912	DNP Project Immersion 2	1
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
NRSG 7926	Applied Data Management	2

## Concentrations

A concentration is required to complete this program.

- Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioner, Acute Care (p. 2)
- Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioner, Primary Care (p. 2)
- Family Nurse Practitioner, Primary Care (p. 2)

- Neonatal Nurse Practitioner, Acute Care (p. 3)
- Pediatric Nurse Practitioner, Acute and Primary Care (p. 3)
- Pediatric Nurse Practitioner, Primary Care (p. 3)
- Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (p. 3)

### Program Credit/GPA Requirements

Total program hours vary based on the concentration the student chooses  
Minimum 3.000 GPA required

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#### CONCENTRATION IN ADULT-GERONTOLOGY NURSE PRACTITIONER, ACUTE CARE

Code	Title	Hours
NRSG 6220	Nursing Management: Acute Episodic Illness	3
NRSG 6221	Nursing Management: Critical and Chronic Illness	3
NRSG 6241	Acute-Care Concepts in Nursing Practice	3
NRSG 6243	Diagnostic Reasoning and Clinical Decision Making in Acute Care	2
NRSG 6245	Advanced Practice Colloquium in Acute Care	2
NRSG 6246	Acute Care Pharmacology	2
NRSG 7220	Acute Care Practicum 1 (Adult-Gerontology)	4
NRSG 7221	Acute Care Practicum 2 (Adult-Gerontology)	4
NRSG 7222	Acute Care Practicum 3 (Adult-Gerontology)	4

#### PROGRAM CREDIT REQUIREMENT

72 total semester hours required, including program core requirements

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#### CONCENTRATION IN ADULT-GERONTOLOGY NURSE PRACTITIONER, PRIMARY CARE

Code	Title	Hours
NRSG 6222	Pharmacology of Adults and Older Adults	2
NRSG 6249	Health Promotion of Adult/Older Adult	3
NRSG 6253	Primary Care of Adult/Older Adult Health Problems	3
NRSG 6254	Primary Care of Adult/Older Adult Complex Patients	3
NRSG 6560	Nurse Practitioner Clinical Intensive	1
NRSG 6561	Advanced Nurse Practitioner Clinical Intensive	1
NRSG 7440	Adult/Older Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nursing Practicum 1	4
NRSG 7441	Adult/Older Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nursing Practicum 2	4
NRSG 7442	Adult/Older Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nursing Practicum 3	4

#### PROGRAM CREDIT REQUIREMENT

70 total semester hours required, including program core requirements

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#### NURSING CONCENTRATION IN FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER, PRIMARY CARE

Code	Title	Hours
NRSG 6222	Pharmacology of Adults and Older Adults	2
NRSG 6262	Pediatric Pharmacology	2
NRSG 6390	Family Care of the Adult/Older Adult Patient	4
NRSG 6391	Practicum for NRSG 6390	4
NRSG 6392	Family Theory	2
NRSG 6393	Family Care of the Pediatric and Adolescent Patient	4
NRSG 6394	Practicum for NRSG 6393	4
NRSG 6395	Healthcare of Women in Family Practice	2
NRSG 6397	Healthcare of Women and the Pregnant Individual in Family Practice	3

#### PROGRAM CREDIT REQUIREMENT

72 total semester hours required, including program core requirements

**CONCENTRATION IN NEONATAL NURSE PRACTITIONER, ACUTE CARE**

Code	Title	Hours
NRSNG 6116	Advanced Health Assessment of the Neonate and Infant	3
NRSNG 6230	Nursing Management: Critically Ill Neonatal 1	3
NRSNG 6231	Nursing Management: Critically Ill Neonatal 2	3
NRSNG 6232	Neonatal Pharmacology	2
NRSNG 6392	Family Theory	2
NRSNG 6430	Neonatal Clinical Practicum 1	4
NRSNG 6431	Neonatal Clinical Practicum 2	4
NRSNG 6432	Neonatal Clinical Practicum 3	2

**PROGRAM CREDIT REQUIREMENT**

68 total semester hours required, including program core requirements

**CONCENTRATION IN PEDIATRIC NURSE PRACTITIONER, ACUTE AND PRIMARY CARE**

Code	Title	Hours
NRSNG 6116	Advanced Health Assessment of the Neonate and Infant	3
NRSNG 6262	Pediatric Pharmacology	2
NRSNG 6264	Care of Well Child/Adolescent Health Promotion	3
NRSNG 6265	Care of Child/Adolescent Health Problems	3
NRSNG 6267	Care of the Critically Ill Child	3
NRSNG 6275	Health Promotion and Preventative Care in Pediatrics in the Context of Community Health	4
NRSNG 6276	Diagnostic Reasoning and Clinical Decision Making in PNP Practice	2
NRSNG 6459	Pediatric NP Practicum 1	2
NRSNG 6460	Pediatric NP Practicum 2	5
NRSNG 6461	Pediatric NP Practicum 3	5
NRSNG 6463	Care of the Critically Ill Child Practicum	5

**PROGRAM CREDIT REQUIREMENT**

82 total semester hours required, including program core requirements

**CONCENTRATION IN PEDIATRIC NURSE PRACTITIONER, PRIMARY CARE**

Code	Title	Hours
NRSNG 6262	Pediatric Pharmacology	2
NRSNG 6264	Care of Well Child/Adolescent Health Promotion	3
NRSNG 6265	Care of Child/Adolescent Health Problems	3
NRSNG 6275	Health Promotion and Preventative Care in Pediatrics in the Context of Community Health	4
NRSNG 6276	Diagnostic Reasoning and Clinical Decision Making in PNP Practice	2
NRSNG 6459	Pediatric NP Practicum 1	2
NRSNG 6460	Pediatric NP Practicum 2	5
NRSNG 6461	Pediatric NP Practicum 3	5

Program Credit Requirement

71 total semester hours required, including program core requirements

**CONCENTRATION IN PSYCHIATRIC-MENTAL HEALTH NURSE PRACTITIONER**

Code	Title	Hours
NRSNG 6281	Dimensions of Clinical Psychiatric Practice	3
NRSNG 6282	Clinical Psychopharmacology	3

NRS 6283	Psychobiological Bases of Mental Health	3
NRS 6286	Contemporary Psychotherapies—Theory and Practice	3
NRS 6561	Advanced Nurse Practitioner Clinical Intensive	1
NRS 7480	Advanced Psychiatric Nursing Practicum 1	4
NRS 7481	Advanced Psychiatric Nursing Practicum 2	4
NRS 7482	Advanced Psychiatric Nursing Practicum 3	4

**PROGRAM CREDIT REQUIREMENT**

70 total semester hours required, including program core requirements