



Matriculation Plan Summary and Worksheet Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Program

This document is provided to help students understand the program requirements as well as to assist them in completing their matriculation plans into the ACES registration system. Newly admitted students are encouraged to print, complete, and have this document available when entering courses into the ACES Long Range Plan.

It is important to note that many of DUSON's courses are offered in multiple modes: [on-campus, online, and distance-based](#). To determine the mode and semester the course will be taught, please review the [DUSON Master Course Listing](#).

Additionally, if you have questions regarding the course description, or clinical hour requirements, you may access this information from within the ACES system by selecting 'Browse Student Catalog' from the ACES Student Admin Center.

Step 1: Determine your length of study

To complete this matriculation plan worksheet, first determine the number of semesters required to complete your plan of study and write those in the spaces below. (For example, if your first semester is Fall 2011, then you would write in First Semester = Fall 2011, Second Semester is Spring 2012, etc. All DUSON program and specialties include fall, spring, and summer terms.)

First Semester _____ Third Semester _____ Fifth Semester _____
Second Semester _____ Fourth Semester _____ Sixth Semester _____

Step 2: Review the courses required for your program

The following list the courses required for your program of study. This information is helpful in initially adding courses to your Planner.

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Program Numerical Course Listing

N402. Financial Management and Budget Planning

N650. Evidence-Based Practice I

N651. Evidence-Based Practice II

N652. Transforming the Nation's Health

N653. Data-Driven Health Care Improvement

N654. Effective Leadership

N655. Health Systems

Transformation

N656. Quantitative Methods for Evaluating Health Care Practices

N665. DNP Capstone

N998. Graduate Elective

Step 3: Review the pre-requisite/sequencing information

Creating a matriculation plan is imperative to ensure that you are taking the courses in the correct sequence. Taking courses out of order may delay completion/graduation from the program.

DNP Course Pre-requisite Information

Number	Title	Pre-Requisite Requirement
N651	Evidence-Based Practice II: Implementation and Evaluation	N650
N655	Health Systems Transformation	N402

Step 4: Review the sample post- master's matriculation plan

SAMPLE MATRICULATION PLAN FOR POST MASTER'S STUDENTS
35 credits

Year 1	Fall Semester	Credits	Spring Semester	Credits	Summer Semester	Credits
	N656 Quantitative Methods for Evaluating Health Care Practices	3	N402 Financial Management and Budget Planning	3	N653 Data Driven Health Care Improvement	3
	N650 Evidence Based Practice I: Locating and Appraising	3	N651 Evidence Based Practice II: Implementation and Evaluation	3	N654 Effective Leadership	3
			*N665 DNP Capstone	1	N665 DNP Capstone	2
Semester Total		6		7		8

Year 2	Fall Semester	Credits	Spring Semester	Credits	Summer Semester	Credits
	N652 Transforming the Nation's Health	3	N655 Health Systems Transformation	2	N665 DNP Capstone	1
	Elective	3	Elective	3		
	N665 DNP Capstone	1	N665 DNP Capstone	1		
Semester Total		7		6		1

*Minimum of 6 capstone credit hours divided among 4-5 semesters depending on capstone project complexity.

General information for DNP students when completing the Planner

- Only select a DNP elective if you have confirmed the course with your advisor. If you have not determined the courses, input the DNP General Elective "N998" to be used for MAT Planning purposes only. Your advisor will approve the plan with the general elective and request you to update your plan when the elective course is determined.
- The sample matriculation plan is a guide/tool to be used to complete the Planner. While most students will be following this general template, if you have already negotiated a custom plan please use that information to complete the Planner.