



**New Mexico State University**  
**School of Nursing**  
**BSN to DNP Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner**  
**Full Time Degree Plan Fall 2026**

Year	Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits	Summer	Credits
Year 1	Nurs 6112 Population Health Leadership & Epidemiologic Decision Making	3	NURS 6125 Evidence Based Practice in Healthcare	3	NURS 6230 Advanced Clinical Pharmacology	3
	Nurs 6115 Advanced Nursing Knowledge & the DNP Role	3	NURS 6135 Interdisciplinary Leadership and Role Development for Practice Excellence	3	NURS 6270 Clinical Data Analysis	2
	NURS 6120 Quality Improvement in Healthcare	3	NURS 6220 Advanced Pathophysiology for Clinical Nursing	3	NURS 6305 Introduction to the DNP Project	1
	NURS 6210 Professional Roles for Advanced Practice Clinical Nursing	3				
	Subtotal	12	Subtotal	9	Subtotal	6
	Fall		Spring		Summer	
Year 2	NURS 5120 Nursing Informatics	3	NURS 6250 Healthcare Policy and Ethics	3	NURS 6404 Neurobiology of Mental Disorders	2
	NURS 6224 Diagnostic Reasoning and Advanced Health Assessment	3	NURS 6260 Population Health and the Environment	3	NURS 6408 PMHNP Role in Diagnostics & Screening	3
	NURS 6226 Advanced Health Assessment Practicum	1	NURS 6266 Strategic & Financial Decision-Making in HC Systems	3	Nurs 6411 PMHNP Across the Lifespan Practicum 1	2
	NURS 6991 DNP Project Development	2	NURS 6991 DNP Project Development	2	NP Clinical Immersion	
					NURS 6991 DNP Project Development	2
	Subtotal	9	Subtotal	11	Subtotal	9
	Fall		Spring		Summer	
Year 3	NURS 6410 PMHNP Across the Lifespan I	3	NURS 6420 PMHNP Across the Lifespan II	3	NURS 6430 PMHNP Across the Lifespan III	1
	NURS 6411 PMHNP Across the Lifespan I Practicum	3	NURS 6421 PMHNP Across the Lifespan II Practicum	4	NURS 6431 PMHNP Across the Lifespan III Practicum	2
	NURS 6405 Psychopharmacology for Advanced Practice	3	NURS 6352 Integrated Care for Diverse Populations	2	NURS 6432 PMHNP Across the Lifespan Residency	2
	Subtotal	9	Subtotal	9	Subtotal	5



	Clinical Hours = 832 (13 cr x 64 hours/credit) Advanced Health Assessment Practicum – 64 hours		DNP Project Leadership Hours = 192 (3 credits X 64 hours/credit)		<b>Grand Total</b> <b>Practicum hours = 1088</b>	<b>79</b>
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\* didactic/clinical credits

Note: DNP Project is to be completed by Fall Year 2, otherwise student will need to continue enrolling in NURS 6991 DNP Project Development until project is defended and final manuscript is submitted.