



School of Nursing

BSN-to-DNP – Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner -PMHNP

Degree Plan for Students Admitted in Fall 2027

YEAR 1

Fall 2027		Credits
NURS 6112	Population Health Leadership and Epidemiologic Decision-Making	3
NURS 6115	Advanced Nursing Knowledge and the DNP Role	3
NURS 6120	Quality Improvement in Healthcare	3
NURS 6210	Professional Roles for Advanced Practice Clinical Nursing	3
Total		12
Spring 2028		Credits
NURS 6125	Evidence-Based Practice in Healthcare	3
NURS 6135	Interdisciplinary Leadership and Role Development for Practice Excellence	3
NURS 6220	Advanced Pathophysiology for Clinical Nursing	3
Total		9
Summer 2028		Credits
NURS 6230	Advanced Clinical Pharmacology	3
NURS 6270	Clinical Data Management and Analysis	2
NURS 6305	Introduction to the DNP Project	1
Total		6

YEAR 2

Fall 2028		Credits
NURS 5120	Nursing Informatics	3
NURS 6224	Diagnostic Reasoning and Advanced Health Assessment	3
NURS 6226	Advanced Health Assessment Practicum	1
NURS 6991	DNP Project Development	2
Total		9

Spring 2029		Credits
NURS 6250	Healthcare Policy and Ethics	3
NURS 6260	Population Health and the Environment	3
NURS 6266	Strategic and Financial Decision-Making in Healthcare Systems	3
NURS 6991	DNP Project Development	2
Total		11

Summer 2029		Credits
NURS 6408	PMHNP Role in Diagnostics and Screening	3
NURS 6411	PMHNP Across the Lifespan I Practicum	2
NURS 6991	DNP Project Development	2
	NP Clinical Immersion	
Total		7

YEAR 3

Fall 2029		Credits
NURS 6406	Neuropsychopharmacology for Advanced Practice Nursing	4
NURS 6410	PMHNP Across the Lifespan I	3
NURS 6411	PMHNP Across the Lifespan I Practicum	3
Total		10

Spring 2030		Credits
NURS 6352	Integrated Care for Diverse Populations	2
NURS 6420	PMHNP Across the Lifespan II	3
NURS 6421	PMHNP Across the Lifespan II Practicum	4
Total		9

Summer 2030		Credits
NURS 6430	PMHNP Across the Lifespan III	1
NURS 6431	PMHNP Across the Lifespan III Practicum	2
NURS 6432	PMHNP Across the Lifespan Residency	2
Total		5

Degree Plan Summary

Total Number of Credits

78 credits

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Nurse Practitioner Clinical Practicum

Credits

13 credits

Credit-to Practicum Hour Ratios

64 credits/hour

Total Hours

832

DNP Project

Project Credits (NURS 6305 and 6991)

Minimum of 4 credits

DNP Project Leadership Hours (NURS 6991)

Minimum of 3 credits

Credit-to Hour Ratios

64 hours/credit

Total Hours

Minimum of 192 hours

Note: Students will continue to enroll in NURS 6991 DNP Project Development until the DNP Project final deliverables are approved by the DNP Project Committee.