

New Mexico State University
School of Nursing
MSN to DNP in Population Health Leadership
Full Time Degree Plan

Year	Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits	Summer	Credits
Year 1	NURS 5120 Nursing Informatics NURS 6110 Introduction to Population Health NURS 6120 Quality Improvement for Nurse Practitioners NURS 6305 Introduction to the DNP Project	3 1 3 1	NURS 6135 Interdisciplinary Leadership and Role Development for Practice Excellence NURS 6125 Evidence Based Practice for Nurse Practitioners NURS 6130 Epidemiology for Advanced Practice Nursing NURS 6307 DNP Project Practicum	3 3 2 1-3	NURS 6265 Strategic and Financial Planning for Clinical Programs NURS 6270 Clinical Data Analysis NURS 6310 DNP Project I NURS 6307 DNP Project Practicum	3 2 1 1-3
	Subtotal	8	Subtotal	9-11	Subtotal	7-9
	Fall		Spring			
Year 2	NURS 6255 Innovations and Health Care Organizations NURS 6320 DNP Project II NURS 6307 DNP Project Practicum	3 1 1-3	NURS 6250 Healthcare Policy and Ethics NURS 6260 Population Health and the Environment NURS 6330 DNP Project III	3 3 1		
	Subtotal	5-7	Subtotal	7		
	DNP Project Practicum Hours = 192 (minimum of 3 credits x 64 hours/credit)				Grand Total	36-45

Notes:

- DNP Project is to be completed by Summer Year 2, otherwise student will need to enroll into NURS 6340 Clinical Scholarly Project until project is defended and final paper is submitted. Student may take a maximum of 6 credits of NURS 6307 DNP Project Practicum.
- The DNP degree requires a total of 1000 hours of supervised practicum hours in a student's Master's degree program and in the MSN to DNP program, which can include the DNP Project Practicum hours. Therefore, MSN to DNP students may be required to complete additional credit hours in a clinical or leadership practicum in NURS 698 to reach the 1000 hour DNP degree requirement.