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## General Post-Master's DNP

Under Review | Fall 2023

### Proposal Information

**Workflow Status**

In Progress

**Faculty Senate, Faculty Senate**

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Waiting for Approval | Faculty Senate Approval

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**College**

College of Nursing

**Department**

Nursing

**Campus**

Health Sciences Center  
(Albuquerque)

### Effective Term and Year

**Proposed Effective Term and Year**

Fall 2023

### Justification

## Concentration Justification

Healthcare is changing and becoming more volatile, uncertain, complex, and ambiguous. We need advanced professional nurses who know how to negotiate the system. We have an obligation to our stakeholders to ensure that our graduates can meet the needs of the healthcare environment. To address these issues, our accrediting bodies have recommended a transition to the Doctor of Nursing Practice degree. The transition to the doctoral degree is consistent with other health professions such as physical therapy, pharmacy, and occupational therapy. Our community deserves advanced nursing leaders who are well prepared to meet the challenges of modern healthcare, reduce the costs of healthcare, advance health equity, reduce the cost of healthcare, and provide evidence-based care. Consistent with our mission, advanced professional nurses of tomorrow must be doctorally prepared. The University of New Mexico College of Nursing believes that the State of New Mexico deserves high quality healthcare providers who are prepared at the highest level. This 2-year post-master's Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program provides graduate nursing students already holding a Master's degree or higher with increased breadth and depth of knowledge in clinical, leadership, and health care systems thinking skills needed to address the growing and increasingly complex health care needs of the state, especially in rural and under-resourced communities.

The Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Post-Master's General Concentration has sufficient faculty within the College of Nursing to teach the required curriculum. The faculty are academically and experientially prepared to teach the required curriculum. The curriculum is comprised of core coursework (24 credits) completed by all Doctor of Nursing Practice students plus Post-Master's General Concentration students take a minimum of six credits of electives from across the DNP curriculum in other concentrations taught by faculty within those specialty concentrations. This concentration admits annually and has a typical cohort of 15 students per year.

Additionally, as the College teaches out the current Nurse Executive Organizational Leadership concentration and the Clinical concentration, faculty who taught primarily in those concentrations will transition to teaching primarily in the core DNP coursework and specialty concentrations such as Nursing Administrative Leadership.

## Associated Forms

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### Select any associated course forms that exist

NURS 700 - Introduction to Professional Inquiry (3)  
NURS 707 - Formulating Strategies for Systemic Health Inquiry (3)  
NURS 709 - Integrating Innovative Strategies for Systemic Health Change (3)  
NURS 701 - Introduction to Translational Evidence-Informed Care (3)  
NURS 710 - Translation of Evidence for Healthcare Practice, Policy, and Evaluation (3)  
NURS 798 - Systems Thinking for Healthcare Transformation III (1)  
NURS 799 - Systems Thinking for Healthcare Transformation IV (2) | **Under Review**

### Select any associated program forms that exist

DNP Nurs Prac

## Program Information

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### Degree Name

DNP Nurs Prac - Doctor of Nursing Practice

**Degree Type**

Doctor of Nursing Practice

**Program Type**

Doctoral

**Program Description**

No Parent Selected

**Degree Hours**

59-71

**Minimum Major Hours****Degree Requirements**

Choose one  
concentration

**34 - 45**

Total Credits

- Complete 1 of the following

**Clinical Concentration**

- Earn at least 35 credits from the following types of courses:  
Clinical Concentration required courses (see above) and 250 Clinical/Practice hours.

**Nursing Executive Organizational Leadership Concentration**

- Completed between 34 and 45 credits from the following types of courses:  
Nursing Executive Organizational Leadership Concentration required courses (see above) and 550-700 Clinical/Practice hours.

**Grand Total Credits: 34 - 45**

## Concentration Information

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**Concentration Title**

General Post-Master's DNP

**Program Level**

Graduate

## Concentration Requirements

- Complete all of the following
  - Admitted to a program offered by College of Nursing
  - Complete the following:
    - NURS700 - Introduction to Professional Inquiry (3)
    - NURS707 - Formulating Strategies for Systemic Health Inquiry (3)
    - NURS709 - Integrating Innovative Strategies for Systemic Health Change (3)
    - NURS701 - Introduction to Translational Evidence-Informed Care (3)
    - NURS708 - Evidence-Informed Practice and Scholarship (3)
    - NURS710 - Translation of Evidence for Healthcare Practice, Policy, and Evaluation (3)
    - NURS798 - Systems Thinking for Healthcare Transformation III (1)
    - NURS799 - Systems Thinking for Healthcare Transformation IV (2)
  - Earn at least 2 credits from the following:
    - NURS796 - Systems Thinking for Healthcare Transformation I (2)
  - Earn at least 1 credits from the following:
    - NURS797 - Systems Thinking for Healthcare Transformation II (1)
  - Earned between 6 and 20 credits from NURS 700 - 799, excluding:
    - NURS700 - Introduction to Professional Inquiry (3)
    - NURS707 - Formulating Strategies for Systemic Health Inquiry (3)
    - NURS709 - Integrating Innovative Strategies for Systemic Health Change (3)
    - NURS701 - Introduction to Translational Evidence-Informed Care (3)
    - NURS708 - Evidence-Informed Practice and Scholarship (3)
    - NURS710 - Translation of Evidence for Healthcare Practice, Policy, and Evaluation (3)
    - NURS798 - Systems Thinking for Healthcare Transformation III (1)
    - NURS799 - Systems Thinking for Healthcare Transformation IV (2)
    - NURS796 - Systems Thinking for Healthcare Transformation I (2)
    - NURS797 - Systems Thinking for Healthcare Transformation II (1)

## Grand Total Credits: 30 - 44

### Concentration Description

Completing the Post-Master's Doctor of Nursing Practice Program prepares you to:

Prepare for advanced roles in nursing for safe, independent, and competent practice as clinicians, leaders, educators, and scholars.

Improve healthcare outcomes through innovation, application of technology, high-quality nursing practice, and evidence-informed approaches to meet the needs of diverse, rural, and under-resourced populations.

Advocate for individual and population health through a practice that embraces diversity, is inclusive, and centers around the principles of justice and health equity.

Incorporate a holistic framework to support the health and well-being of patients, healthcare workers, and systems.

Influence the determinants of health through leadership, education, collaboration, and interdisciplinary partnerships.