

UConn School of Nursing

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)

Bachelor-DNP Family Nurse Practitioner Program

The Doctoral Programs offered through the University of Connecticut, School of Nursing prepare nurse scholars with a focus in either the Scholarship of Discovery (PhD Program), or the Scholarship of Application (DNP Program). The DNP is designed for nurses seeking a terminal degree in nursing practice for those who plan to have a career in the clinical practice setting as an APRN or Nurse Executive. Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) graduates are prepared as advance practice nurses to assess, diagnose, monitor, treat and coordinate care of individuals across the lifespan with common acute and chronic conditions within the context of family and community in primary care settings. The focus of the specialty is on the delivery of primary care to the individual within the context of the family and community including health promotion, disease prevention, and disease management activities to support healthy lives. The core competencies emphasize teaching/coaching, consultation and evidence based practice. Graduates of this concentration are prepared for eligibility to apply for the FNP Primary Care certification examination prepared by an approved national organization as accepted by the Board of Registration in Nursing and to apply to practice in the expanded role in Connecticut or other states based on regulatory guidelines.

PLAN OF PART-TIME STUDY

Semester I Fall

NURS 5060	Advanced Pathophysiology: Concepts for Advanced Nursing Practice Across the Lifespan	3 Credits
NURS 5012	Nursing Science and Patterns of Knowing in Advanced Nursing Practice	3 Credits

Semester II Spring

NURS 5020	Statistical Methods in Health Sciences Research	3 Credits
NURS 5070	Advanced Pharmacodynamics and Implications for Nursing Actions	3 Credits

Semester III Fall

NURS 5062	Advanced Health Assessment Across the Lifespan	3 Credits
NURS 5030	Nursing Research for Evidence-based Practice	3 Credits

Semester IV Spring

NURS 5400	Health Promotion, Prevention, and Common Health Problems in APN Practice I	3 Credits
NURS 5409	APN Clinical Practicum I	3 Credits

Semester V Summer

NURS 5150	Common and Chronic Health Problems in APN Practice II	3 Credits
NURS 5430	Management of Childbearing Women and Children	3 Credits

Semester VI Fall

NURS 5410	Common and Comorbid Health Problems in APN Primary Care Practice III	3 Credits
NURS 5439	FNP Primary Care Clinical Practicum II	3 Credits
NURS 5870	Health Policy and Populations-based Advocacy for The Scholarship of Application	3 Credits

Semester VII Spring

NURS 5420	Complex and Comorbid Health Problems in APN Primary Care Practice IV	3 Credits
NURS 5449	FNP Primary Care Clinical Practicum III	3 Credits
NURS 5811	Application of Genetics to Health Care	<u>3 Credits</u>
		48 Credits

Clinical Practice Year Option: Academic Year for APRN Practice while remaining enrolled. Students take 1 course Fall Semester and 1 course Spring Semester (i.e. Fall NURS 5850 or NURS 5845; Spring NURS 5855 or NURS 5860) then return Fall Year 4 (Semester V)

Semester VIII Fall

NURS 5850	Scientific and Theoretical Underpinnings for The Scholarship of Application	3 Credits
NURS 5845	Health Services Statistics and Research Methods for The Scholarship of Application	3 Credits

Semester IX Spring

NURS 5855	Evidence-based Practice for the Scholarship of Application	3 Credits
NURS 5860	Quality and Organizational/Systems Leadership for The Scholarship of Application	3 Credits

Semester X Fall

NURS 5895	Clinical Practice Dissertation Seminar: Semester I – Topic Identification	2 Credits
GRAD 5910	Responsible Conduct of Research	1 Credit

Semester XI Spring

NURS 5865	Information Systems for The Scholarship of Application	3 Credits
NURS 5895	Clinical Practice Dissertation Seminar: Semester II – Project Development	1 Credit
NURS 5879	DNP Residency I	3 Credits

Semester XII Summer

NURS 5895	Clinical Practice Dissertation Seminar: Semester III – Project Development/Implementation	1 Credit
NURS 5869	DNP Residency Elective*	1-6 Credits

Semester XIII Fall

NURS 5895	Clinical Practice Dissertation Seminar: Semester IV – Implementation/Evaluation	3 Credits
NURS 5889	DNP Residency II	3 Credits

Semester XIV Spring

NURS 5885	Leadership and Management for The Scholarship of Application	3 Credits
NURS 5895	Clinical Practice Dissertation Seminar: Semester V – Evaluation & Dissemination	<u>3 Credits</u>
		36 - 41 Credits

Total Credits: 84 - 89

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* Note: Clinical Practicum Hours allocation: 1 credit = 80 hours; DNP Residency Hours allocation: 1 credit = 42 hours