

NURSING PRACTICE (POPULATION HEALTH LEADERSHIP) - DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE (ONLINE)

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To complete the DNP program, each student is required to generate a project that reflects their advanced coursework in leadership, research translation, and clinical knowledge and skills. Students will be required to complete a minimum of 1000 clinical and/or leadership contact hours between their prior Master's degree and the DNP degree.

For application information, visit the School of (<https://schoolofnursing.nmsu.edu/graduate-program/msn-dnp-in-population-health-leadership.html>) Nursing Population Health Leadership webpage (<https://schoolofnursing.nmsu.edu/graduate-program/msn-dnp-in-population-health-leadership.html>) or contact the Nursing Graduate Advisor for more information about application and admission requirements at (575) 646-4007.

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Prefix	Title	Credits
NURS 5120	Nursing Informatics	3
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 6125	Evidence-Based Practice in Healthcare	3
NURS 6135	Interdisciplinary Leadership and Role Development for Practice Excellence	3
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 6270	Clinical Data Management and Analysis	2

NURS 6305	Introduction to the DNP Project	1
NURS 6991	DNP Project Development	2
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Total Credits		36

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First Year		
Fall		Credits
NURS 6115	Advanced Nursing Knowledge and the DNP Role	3
NURS 6120	Quality Improvement in Healthcare	3
NURS 6305	Introduction to the DNP Project	1
Credits		7
Spring		
NURS 6125	Evidence-Based Practice in Healthcare	3
NURS 6135	Interdisciplinary Leadership and Role Development for Practice Excellence	3
NURS 6991	DNP Project Development	2
Credits		8
Summer		
NURS 6266	Strategic and Financial Decision-Making in Healthcare Systems	3
NURS 6270	Clinical Data Management and Analysis	2
NURS 6991	DNP Project Development	2
Credits		7
Second Year		
Fall		
NURS 5120	Nursing Informatics	3
NURS 6112	Population Health Leadership and Epidemiologic Decision-Making	3
NURS 6991	DNP Project Development	2
Credits		8
Spring		
NURS 6250	Healthcare Policy and Ethics	3
NURS 6260	Population Health and the Environment	3
Credits		6
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