

# NURSING PRACTICE (NURSE ANESTHESIOLOGY) - DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

The Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree concentration in Nurse Anesthesiology focuses on rural health and health disparities. Graduates will be qualified to take the national certification exam administered by the National Boards of Certification and Recertification of Nurse Anesthetists to become a certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA). In addition to the DNP core courses and nurse anesthesiology didactic course, Residents complete a minimum of 2400 supervised clinical contact hours completed in their clinical specialty and related areas. Courses for this degree are delivered through a combination of in-person didactic and laboratory experiences at the Las Cruces campus, and asynchronous and synchronous online learning. The majority of clinical training is completed at hospitals and surgical centers in the Las Cruces/ El Paso and Albuquerque/Santa Fe regions. Residents complete a required rural New Mexico clinical rotation.

For application information, visit the [Nurse Anesthesiology webpage \(https://schoolofnursing.nmsu.edu/graduate-program/doctor-of-nursing-practice-dnp.html\)](https://schoolofnursing.nmsu.edu/graduate-program/doctor-of-nursing-practice-dnp.html) or contact the Nursing Graduate Advisor for more information about application and admission requirements at (575) 646-3688.

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 6150	Advanced Anatomy	3
NURS 6155	Advanced Physiology	3
NURS 6160	Chemistry and Physics for Anesthesia	3
NURS 6215	Professional Aspects of Nurse Anesthesiology Practice	3
NURS 6230	Advanced Clinical Pharmacology	3
NURS 6235	Advanced Pathophysiology for Nurse Anesthesiology Practice	4
NURS 6240	Advanced Health Assessment for Nurse Anesthesiology Practice	4
NURS 6245	Advanced Pharmacology for Nurse Anesthesiology Practice	3
NURS 6250	Healthcare Policy and Ethics	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 6610	Nurse Anesthesiology Principles I	2
NURS 6620	Nurse Anesthesiology Principles II	5
NURS 6630	Nurse Anesthesiology Principles III	3
NURS 6640	Nurse Anesthesiology Principles IV	3
NURS 6700	Introduction to the Clinical Residency	3
NURS 6710	Nurse Anesthesiology Clinical Residency I	3

NURS 6720	Nurse Anesthesiology Clinical Residency II	4
NURS 6730	Nurse Anesthesiology Clinical Residency III	4
NURS 6740	Nurse Anesthesiology Clinical Residency IV	4
NURS 6750	Nurse Anesthesiology Clinical Residency V	5
NURS 6770	Rural Health Anesthesiology Seminar	3
NURS 6771	Anesthesiology Integration/Clinical Correlation I	4
NURS 6991	DNP Project Development	2
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**Total Credits** 101

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## First Year

Spring	Credits	
NURS 6115	Advanced Nursing Knowledge and the DNP Role	3
NURS 6135	Interdisciplinary Leadership and Role Development for Practice Excellence	3
NURS 6150	Advanced Anatomy	3
NURS 6155	Advanced Physiology	3
NURS 6160	Chemistry and Physics for Anesthesia	3

**Credits** 15

## Summer

NURS 6120	Quality Improvement in Healthcare	3
NURS 6240	Advanced Health Assessment for Nurse Anesthesiology Practice	4
NURS 6305	Introduction to the DNP Project	1
NURS 6610	Nurse Anesthesiology Principles I	2

**Credits** 10

## Second Year

Fall	Credits	
NURS 6125	Evidence-Based Practice in Healthcare	3
NURS 6230	Advanced Clinical Pharmacology	3
NURS 6620	Nurse Anesthesiology Principles II	5
NURS 6235	Advanced Pathophysiology for Nurse Anesthesiology Practice	4

**Credits** 15

**Spring**

NURS 6245	Advanced Pharmacology for Nurse Anesthesiology Practice	3
NURS 6630	Nurse Anesthesiology Principles III	3
NURS 6991	DNP Project Development	2
NURS 6700	Introduction to the Clinical Residency	3
NURS 6112	Population Health Leadership and Epidemiologic Decision-Making	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>14</b>

**Summer**

NURS 6640	Nurse Anesthesiology Principles IV	3
NURS 6710	Nurse Anesthesiology Clinical Residency I	3
NURS 6991	DNP Project Development	2
<b>Credits</b>		<b>8</b>

**Third Year****Fall**

NURS 6720	Nurse Anesthesiology Clinical Residency II	4
NURS 6270	Clinical Data Management and Analysis	2
NURS 6991	DNP Project Development	1
NURS 6266	Strategic and Financial Decision-Making in Healthcare Systems	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>10</b>

**Spring**

NURS 5120	Nursing Informatics	3
NURS 6730	Nurse Anesthesiology Clinical Residency III	4
NURS 6770	Rural Health Anesthesiology Seminar	3
NURS 6250	Healthcare Policy and Ethics	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>13</b>

**Summer**

NURS 6215	Professional Aspects of Nurse Anesthesiology Practice	3
NURS 6740	Nurse Anesthesiology Clinical Residency IV	4
<b>Credits</b>		<b>7</b>

**Fourth Year****Fall**

NURS 6771	Anesthesiology Integration/Clinical Correlation I	4
NURS 6750	Nurse Anesthesiology Clinical Residency V	5
<b>Credits</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>101</b>

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