



BOSTON COLLEGE

Connell School of Nursing

Direct Entry
Master of Science, Advanced Nursing Generalist /
Doctor of Nursing Practice Program
Plan of Study

Master of Science Curriculum
Fall Semester 1 (17 credits)
HLTH8000 Examining Diversity in Nursing and Health Care (3 cr.)
NURS8013 Direct Entry Adult Health Nursing Theory (6 cr.)
NURS8004 Direct Entry Adult Health Clinical w/lab (5 cr.)
NURS8000 Direct Entry Clinical and Pharmacology (3 cr.)
Spring Semester 1 (13 credits)
NURS8007 Direct Entry Child Health Nursing Theory (3 cr.)
NURS8008 Direct Entry Child Health Nursing Clinical (2 cr.)
NURS8009 Direct Entry Childbearing Nursing Theory (3 cr.)
NURS8010 Direct Entry Childbearing Nursing Clinical (2 cr.)
NURS8715 Nursing Leadership in Complex Health Care Settings (3 cr.)
Summer Semester 1 (9 credits)
NURS8011 Nursing Synthesis Practicum [Clinical] (3 cr.)
NURS9720 Epidemiology (3 cr.)
NURS8712 Health Care Quality Management (3 cr.)
Fall Semester 2 (10 credits)
NURS9816 Population Health Principles, Program Planning and Evaluation (3 cr.)
NURS8012 Population Health Clinical (2 cr.)
NURS8005 Direct Entry Psych-Mental Health Nursing Theory (3 cr.)
NURS8006 Direct Entry Psych-Mental Health Nursing Clinical (2 cr.)
Spring Semester 2 (9 credits for MS) (12 credits for DNP)
NURS8716 Health Care Policy for Nursing Leaders (3 cr.)
NURS8717 Foundations of Evidence Based Advanced Nursing Practice (3 cr.)
NURS8718 Health Information Technology for Nursing Professionals (3 cr.)
NURS9730 Advanced Physiology and Pathophysiology across the Lifespan (3 cr.)
<i>Required to continue on to DNP coursework</i>
Total Advanced Generalist Master's Credits 58-61
<i>Master's conferred in May & sit for the NCLEX</i>

DNP Curriculum
Summer Semester 2 (9 credits)
NURS9731 Pharmacotherapeutics in Advanced Practice Nursing (3 cr.)
NURS9732 Advanced Health/Physical Assessment across the Lifespan (3 cr.)
NURS8714 Nursing Ethics & Professional Responsibility in Advanced Practice (3 cr.)
Fall Semester 3 (9 credits)
NURS9717 Methods of Advanced Scholarly Inquiry (3 cr.)
NURS9815 Role of the Advanced Practice Nurse (3 cr.)
NURS9814 Bridge to Primary Care Practice (3 cr.) [AGNP, FNP, PNP, WHNP]
NURS7426 Advanced Psychopharmacology (3 cr.) [PMHNP only]
Spring Semester 3 (11 credits)
NURSXXXX NP Clinical Specialty I (6 cr.)
NURS9904 DNP Project Seminar I (2 cr.)
NURS9838 Individual Therapy (3 cr.) [PMHNP Only]
NURSXXXX Specialty Elective (3 cr.) [FNP, AGNP, WHNP]
NURS9834 Developmental, Behavioral and Mental Health in Pediatrics (3 cr.) [PNP only]
Summer Semester 3 (2 credit)
NURS9906 DNP Seminar II (2 cr.)
Fall Semester 4 (6 credits for PNP) (9 credits for AGNP, FNP, PMHNP, WHNP)
NURSXXXX NP Clinical Specialty II (6 cr.)
NURS9840 Family & Group Therapy (3 cr.) [PMHNP Only]
NURSXXXX Specialty Elective (3 cr.) [FNP, AGNP, WHNP]
Spring Semester 4 (6 credits for AGNP, FNP, PMHNP, WHNP) (9 credits for PNP)
NURSXXXX NP Clinical Specialty III (6 cr.)
NURS9832 Clinical Decision Making (3 cr.) [PNP Only]
Total Post-Master's DNP Credits: 46
Total Credits required for Direct Entry DNP degree is 107

Electives: AGNP, FNP, WHNP students have 2 electives; PMHNP and PNP have no electives. Electives can be taken any semester. They are incorporated into the curriculum by semester to even out credit load but can be moved around if desired/schedule permits.

**Curricula Subject to Change. Last update January 5, 2024.*