Winona State University-Department of Graduate Nursing Two-Year Post-Master's Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Plan of Study Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (AGACNP) Program

This plan of study* is for students with a master's in nursing (MSN) who are seeking a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree and certification as an AGACNP.

Year One			
Summer	Fall	Spring	
NURS 673 Advanced Diagnostics and	NURS 674 Acute Care of Adults I	NURS 676 Acute Care of Adults	
Therapeutics for AGACNPs (2)	Seminar (3)	Seminar II (3)	
	NURS 771 Research and Evidence-	NURS 780 DNP Project I - Clinical	
	based Practice for Advanced Nursing	(3) (2 clinical scholarship)	
	(4)		
	NURS 703 Epidemiological	Elective (2)	
	Approaches to Population Health (3)		
2	10	8 (2 clinical)	20
Year Two			
Summer	Fall	Spring	
NURS 709 Advanced Diagnostics and	NURS 675 Acute Care of Adults	NURS 677 Acute Care of Adults	
Therapeutics for AGACNPs Clinical	Clinical I (6) (6 direct clinical)	Clinical II (6) (6 direct clinical)	
(1) (1 direct clinical)			
NURS 781 DNP Project II - Clinical	NURS 782 DNP Project III - Clinical	NURS 684 Procedures for AGACNPs	
(2) (2 clinical scholarship)	(2) (2 clinical scholarship)	(3)	
3 (3 clinical)	8 (8 clinical)	9 (6 clinical)	20
Program Total: 40 credits			

TOTAL: 40 credits; 1 clinical credit = 60 hours (6 clinical scholarship credits = 360 hours, 13 direct role clinical credits = 780 hours; 1140 total clinical hours).

Graduates of a DNP program are required to complete 72 credits and 1,000 clinical hours. Previous master's-level coursework and clinical experience will be assessed to determine eligibility for meeting these requirements.

Applicants must provide evidence of holding at least a master's in nursing, along with the following required coursework. Upon admission, students are required to submit the syllabi for each of the courses to the program faculty for review. If this content has not been covered, these courses will need to be taken:

STAT 601: Statistical Methods for Health Care Professionals (3)

NURS 606: Nursing Information Management & Decision Making (3)

NURS 608: Organizational & Systems Leadership (3)

NURS 612: Advanced Health Promotion (3)

NURS 617: Advanced Clinical Pharmacology (3) (within 3 years of graduation in some states for credentialing)

NURS 618: Advanced Pathophysiology (4)

NURS 619: Advanced Health Assessment (3) (3 clinical)

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^{*}Your official plan of study will be set up with your advisor upon admittance into the program.