Winona State University-Department of Graduate Nursing Three-Year Post-Master's Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Plan of Study Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) Program

This three-year 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 FNP.

Year One			
Summer	Fall	Spring	
	NURS 703 Epidemiological Approaches	NURS 780 DNP Project I - Clinical	
	to Population Health (3)	(3) (2 clinical scholarship)	
	NURS 771 Research and Evidence-based		
	Practice for Advanced Nursing (4)		
	7	3	10
Year Two			
Summer	Fall	Spring	
NURS 781 DNP Project II - Clinical	NURS 782 DNP Project III - Clinical	NURS 644 Primary Care of Adult and	
(2) (2 clinical scholarship)	(2) (2 clinical scholarship)	Gerontology Clients II (3)	
	NURS 640 Primary Care of Adult and	NURS 646 Primary Care of Children II	
	Gerontology Clients (3)	(2)	
	NURS 642 Primary Care of Children I (2)	NURS 634 (2)	
2 (2 clinical)	7 (2 clinical)	7	16
Year Three			
Summer	Fall	Spring	
NURS 639 Primary Care Clinical	NURS 641 Primary Health Care Clinical I	NURS 643 Primary Care Clinical II	
Intro (2) (2 direct clinical)	(6) (6 direct clinical)	(6) (6 direct clinical)	
NURS 747 Primary Care			
Procedures for APRNs (3)			
5 (2 clinical)	6 (6 clinical)	6 (6 clinical)	17
		Program Total: 43	3 credits

TOTAL: 43 credits; 1 clinical credit = 60 hours (6 clinical scholarship credits = 360 hours, 14 direct role clinical credits = 840 hours; 1200 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.