

Winona State University-Department of Graduate Nursing
Three-Year Post-Baccalaureate Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Plan of Study
Adult-Gerontology Clinical Nurse Specialist (AGCNS) Program

This three-year plan of study* is intended for Registered Nurses (RNs) with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) who are seeking a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree and certification as an AGCNS.

Year 1

Summer	Fall	Spring	Credit total
STAT 601 Statistical Methods for Health Care Research (3)	NURS 708 Professionalism in Advanced Nursing Roles (3)	NURS 771 Research and Evidence-based Practice for Advanced Nursing (4)	
	NURS 618 Advanced Pathophysiology (4)	NURS 612 Advanced Health Promotion (3)	
	Elective (3)	NURS 613 Advanced Health Promotion Clinical (1)	
3	7	8 (1 clinical)	21

Year 2

Summer	Fall	Spring	Credit total
NURS 608 Organizational and Systems Leadership (3)	NURS 604 Health Policy and Quality Health Care Delivery (3)	NURS 703 Epidemiological Approaches to Population Health (3)	
	NURS 606 Nursing Information Management & Decision Making (3)	NURS 780 DNP Project I – Clinical (3)	
	Elective (3)	Elective (3)	
3	9	9 (2 clinical)	21

Year 3

Summer	Fall	Spring	Credit total
NURS 781 DNP Project II – Clinical (2)	NURS 782 DNP Project III – Clinical (2)	NURS 617 Advanced Clinical Pharmacology (3)	
	NURS 619 Advanced Health Assessment (3)	NURS 620 AGCNS Role Foundations Seminar (3)	
	Elective (3)		
2 (2 clinical)	8 (5 clinical)	6	16

Year 4

Summer	Fall	Spring	Credit total
	NURS 624 AGCNS Role Development Seminar (3)	NURS 630 AGCNS Role Synthesis Seminar (3)	
	NURS 625 AGCNS Role Development Clinical (4)	NURS 631 AGCNS Role Synthesis Clinical (4)	
	7 (4 clinical)	7 (4 clinical)	14

TOTAL: 72 credits; 1 clinical credit = 60 hours (6 clinical scholarship credits = 360 hours, 8 direct role clinical credits = 480 hours; 4 indirect role clinical credits = 240 hours; 1080 total clinical hours)

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