

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE: EXECUTIVE TRACK

The Doctor of Nursing Practice program at the Johns Hopkins School of Nursing is accredited by the:

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The DNP Executive Track option is a post-master's to DNP program that is designed for students to remain in practice while gaining the knowledge, skills, and abilities to lead cross-professional teams in the improvement and provision of informed quality health care. The 40-credit DNP Executive Track is offered online with required on-site course immersions. The program can be completed in six semesters of study. The DNP is designed for nurses involved in an advanced nursing practice role including but not limited to: clinical nurse specialist, nurse practitioner, nurse midwife, nurse anesthetist, public health practitioner, nurse executive, nurse informatician, and health policy analyst. Clinical hours obtained as part of the master's degree can be applied to the DNP program. The student obtains 448 practice hours in association with the conduct of the DNP Project, and additional DNP practicum hours to obtain a minimum of 1000 practice hours required for the DNP degree. Students are expected to complete degree requirements within six years of enrollment. The current DNP Program Director is Kimberly McIltrout, DNP, CPNP, CWOCN, CNE, FAANP, and FAAN.

Program Requirements DNP Executive Track Curriculum

The 40-credit DNP Executive Track includes 19 credits of required DNP core, 12 credits for the required DNP Project, and 9 credits of elective/cognate courses related to the student's focus specialty area. Students who require additional practice hours to fulfill the 1000 practice hours may take additional DNP Practicum course(s) for 1 (56 practice hours) to 2 (112 practice hours) credits to close that gap. Students who are concurrently completing the Nurse Educator Certificate Option (NECO) may utilize all of their NECO credits towards fulfillment of their (9) required electives. Students must complete the program within 6 years.

Code	Title	Credits
NR.210.802	Advanced Nursing Health Policy	2
NR.210.803	Nursing Inquiry for Evidence-Based Practice	3
NR.210.804	Organizational and Systems Leadership for Quality Care	2
NR.210.805	Translating Evidence into Practice	3
NR.210.806	Health Finance	2
NR.210.817	Analysis and Evaluation of Individual and Population Health Data	3
NR.210.818	Clinical Data Management and Analyses	2
NR.210.822	Health Information Systems and Patient Care Technologies	2
NR.210.886	Problem Discovery	3
NR.210.887	Project Advancement	3
NR.210.888	Project Application	3
NR.210.889	Project Evaluation and Dissemination	3

Electives	9
Total Credits	40

Program Totals 40cr/Minimum 448CH

Program of Study DNP Executive Track

Course	Title	Credits
First Semester		
NR.210.886	Problem Discovery	3
NR.210.806	Health Finance	2
Credits		5
Second Semester		
NR.210.803	Nursing Inquiry for Evidence-Based Practice	3
NR.210.802	Advanced Nursing Health Policy	2
NR.210.804	Organizational and Systems Leadership for Quality Care	2
Credits		7
Third Semester		
NR.210.805	Translating Evidence into Practice	3
NR.210.887	Project Advancement	3
NR.XXX.XXX	Elective (student's choice) ¹	3
Credits		9
Fourth Semester		
NR.210.817	Analysis and Evaluation of Individual and Population Health Data	3
NR.210.822	Health Information Systems and Patient Care Technologies	2
NR.XXX.XXX	Elective (student's choice) ¹	3
Credits		8
Fifth Semester		
NR.210.888	Project Application	3
NR.XXX.XXX	Elective (student's choice) ¹	3
Credits		6
Sixth Semester		
NR.210.889	Project Evaluation and Dissemination	3
NR.210.818	Clinical Data Management and Analyses	2
Credits		5
Total Credits		40

¹ DNP Executive Track students are not permitted to take Electives in the first 2 semesters. A total of 9 elective credits are required. Course credits can range from 1 to 3 and are dispersed across semesters 3 through 6.

Program Total: 40 Credits [cr]/1000 Clinical Hours [CL]
 (Prior MSN - up to 552 clinical hours plus 448 DNP practicum hours).

Doctor of Nursing Practice Executive Track Scholarly Project Progression

DNP students are required to successfully complete a Project Plan Proposal and DNP Project.

The Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program outcomes are based upon:

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1. The Essentials of Master's Education in Nursing (AACN, 2011)
2. The Essentials of Doctoral Education for Advanced Nursing Practice (AACN, 2006)

A graduate of the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program:

1. Integrates the art and science of nursing, with ethics and the biophysical, psychosocial, analytical, organizational, and public health sciences to improve patient and population health outcomes
2. Demonstrates organizational and systems leadership for quality and safety in health care systems
3. Critically appraises clinical scholarship and analytical methods for evidence-based practice
4. Applies information systems and technology for the provision and/or transformation of health care
5. Leverages inter-professional collaboration for the improvement of individual and population health outcomes
6. Utilizes population health strategies of risk reduction/illness prevention, health promotion, and health maintenance to reduce healthcare disparities and improve outcomes for diverse individuals and populations
7. Develops leadership for health care policy and advocacy that shapes health care financing, regulation, access, and delivery
8. Demonstrates mastery of the advanced nursing practice/advanced practice nursing role and population competencies