

NURSE MIDWIFERY, D.N.P.

Objectives

The Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) is a practice degree designed to prepare registered nurses as clinical practitioners/scholars to assume advanced practice clinical and leadership roles. The DNP Nurse Midwifery program has one entry point for the student holding a B.S.N. The Nurse Midwifery program prepares registered nurses to provide direct patient management in primary care and the hospital. Graduates are employed in a variety of settings including the hospital, community health clinics, birth centers, and women's health care settings.

The curriculum prepares students to take the national certification exam from the American Midwifery Certification Board (AMCB).

Requirements for earning the DNP include:

1. Complete doctoral residency of at least 18 graduate hours for three consecutive semesters. Enrollment in a summer term is not required to maintain continuity, but credits earned during summer terms (including May session) will count toward the 18 hours required for Residency. The residency requirement may be met only after admission to the DNP program.
2. Complete an approved program of study.
3. Comprehensive assessment through defense of project proposal.
4. Completion of a research utilization/evidence-based project and oral defense.
5. Have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 and earn a 3.0 or better in all required classes and courses number 700 or higher.
6. Complete a minimum 1,000 clinical hours.

Learning Outcomes

1. Identify direct and indirect clinical problems in women across the lifespan and work with interprofessional teams to address them.
2. Differentiate theoretical knowledge as it applies to direct or indirect clinical care.
3. Translate evidence to address population health problems.
4. Integrate databases and information literacy in designing interventions for care of women across the lifespan.
5. Execute evidence-based interventions to improve health care outcomes.

Admissions Requirements

Entry

The Nurse Midwife, DNP program offers one entry point for students:

B.S.N. Entry

A student must hold a Bachelor of Science in nursing degree from a program that is nationally accredited.

Degree Requirements (78 Hours)

Course	Title	Credits
NURS 707	Advanced Pathophysiology for Nurses	3
NURS 702	Pharmacologic Mgmt in Pediatric, Adult, & Gerontological Patients Across Hlthcare Delivery Continuum	3
NURS 704	Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning ¹	3
NURS 718	Diagnostic Interpretation and Therapeutic Modalities	3
NURS 737	Foundations for DNP Development	3
NURS 789	Statistical and Research Methods for Nursing Practice	3
NURS 720	Clinical Application of Population Analysis	3
NURS 749	Foundations of Midwifery	2
NURS 744	Anatomy and Physiology for the Certified Nurse Midwife	3
NURS 752	Nurse-Midwifery Management: Antepartum & PostPartum Care ²	7
NURS 753	Nurse-Midwifery Management: Intrapartum, Immediate Postpartum & Newborn Care ^{1,2}	7
NURS 754	Nurse-Midwifery Management: Integration Practicum ²	3
NURS 755	Professional Roles of the Certified Nurse Midwife	2
NURS 762	Midwifery Care in Women's Health ²	3
NURS 808	Advanced Nursing in Population Health	3
NURS 779	Health Policy ²	3
NURS 780	Organizational Theories and Systems in Healthcare	3
NURS 817	Application of Statistics for Evidence Based Nursing Practice	3
NURS 819	Evidence and Nursing Practice	3
NURS 781	Applied Technology in Health Care	3
NURS 783	Clinical Project Immersion & Proposal Development ²	3
NURS 805	Advanced Nursing Leadership	3
NURS 897	DNP Project Preparation and Residency ²	6
Total Credit Hours		78

¹ Indicates on campus immersion course

² Indicates practicum course