

VUSN: Post-Master's DNP Curriculum Plans

Students Admitted Fall 2024

Advanced Clinical Practice and Advanced Systems Practice Tracks

Semester	Course Number and Name		Credit Hours	Didactic Clock Hours	Seminar Clock Hours	Clinical Clock Hours	Lab Clock Hours	Total Clock Hours
Fall 1	NURS 8212	Knowledge and Identity for Nursing Practice	2	28				28
	NURS 8214	Social and Structural Influences on Health	3	42				42
	NURS 8240	Economics and Finance	1	14				14
	Semester Total		6	84	0	0	0	84
Spring 1	NURS 8222	Appraisal of Evidence for Nursing Practice	3	42				42
	NURS 8224	Analysis of Health and Systems Outcomes	2	28				28
	NURS 8226	Advanced Quality Improvement and Safety	2	28				28
	Semester Total		7	98	0	0	0	98
Summer 1	NURS 8101	Integrative Application of Evidence-Based Practice*	1		28			28
	NURS 8232	Leadership for Change	2	28				28
	NURS 8234	Advocacy for Health Equity	3	42				42
	NURS 8236	Advanced Evidence-Based Practice	2	28				28
	Semester Total		8	98	28	0	0	126
Fall 2	NURS 8102	Integrative Application of Evidence-Based Practice*	2		56			56
	NURS 8216	Professionalism, Legal, Ethics	2	28				28
	NURS 8238	Advanced Informatics	1	14				14
	NURS 8246	Advanced Population Health and Epidemiology	2	28				28
			Elective ¹	2	28			
	Semester Total		9	98	56	0	0	154
Spring 2	NURS 8103	Integrative Application of Evidence-Based Practice*	1		28			28
	NURS 8248	Advanced Health Policy	2	28				28
	NURS 8250	Advanced Leadership	2	28				28
			Elective ¹	2	28			
	Semester Total		7	84	28	0	0	112
PROGRAM TOTAL			37	462	112	0	0	574

¹Electives can be taken any semester

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Executive Leadership Track

Semester	Course Number and Name	Credit Hours	Didactic Clock Hours	Seminar Clock Hours	Clinical Clock Hours	Lab Clock Hours	Total Clock Hours
Fall 1	NURS 8212	Knowledge and Identity for Nursing Practice	2	28			28
	NURS 8214	Social and Structural Influences on Health	3	42			42
	NURS 8318	Economics and Finance	2	28			28
		Semester Total	7	98	0	0	98
Spring 1	NURS 8222	Appraisal of Evidence for Nursing Practice	3	42			42
	NURS 8224	Analysis of Health and Systems Outcomes	2	28			28
	NURS 8226	Advanced Quality Improvement and Safety	2	28			28
		Semester Total	7	98	0	0	98
Summer 1	NURS 8101	Integrative Application of Evidence-Based Practice*	1		28		28
	NURS 8234	Advocacy for Health Equity	3	42			42
	NURS 8236	Advanced Evidence-Based Practice	2	28			28
	NURS 8310	Systems and Complex Adaptive Thinking for Nurse Executives	2	28			28
		Semester Total	8	98	28	0	126
Fall 2	NURS 8102	Integrative Application of Evidence-Based Practice*	2		56		56
	NURS 8216	Professionalism, Legal, Ethics	2	28			28
	NURS 8238	Advanced Informatics	1	14			14
	NURS 8246	Advanced Population Health and Epidemiology	2	28			28
		Elective ¹	2	28			28
		Semester Total	9	98	56	0	154
Spring 2	NURS 8069	Lean Methodology or Elective ¹ (if Lean certified)	2	28			28
	NURS 8103	Integrative Application of Evidence-Based Practice*	1		28		28
	NURS 8248	Advanced Health Policy	2	28			28
	NURS 8320	Nurse Executive Leadership	1	14			14
		Semester Total	6	70	28	0	98
		PROGRAM TOTAL	37	462	112	0	574

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