

# NURSING PRACTICE, D.N.P. (POST-BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING)

At the Trudy Busch Valentine School of Nursing at Saint Louis University, our Doctor of Nursing Practice (D.N.P.) is a practice-focused doctoral degree that educates nurses to become expert clinicians, leaders in health policy and catalysts for improved health care delivery. We offer nurse practitioner specialties in adult/gerontological acute care, family, pediatric primary care and family psychiatric-mental health.

The Valentine School of Nursing is renowned for excellence in nursing education. *U.S. News and World Report* consistently ranks our MSN-NP program as a top program in their Best Graduate Schools survey.

## Program Highlights

- Full- and part-time curriculum plans
- A variety of specialty areas and role options
- The option to emphasize research in any specialty area
- Responsive faculty who are nationally recognized for teaching excellence, nursing leadership, scholarly research and student mentorship
- Faculty advisers who are individually assigned to mentor each student throughout the program
- An online library
- An online writing center
- State-of-the-art teaching facilities

Students may choose from four concentrations, allowing them to customize the patient population with which they will work most:

### Adult/Gerontological Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Concentration

If you choose the adult/gerontological acute care nurse practitioner program, you will learn to use complex monitoring and invasive therapies, high-intensity interventions, and continuous vigilance within the range of high-acuity care to help meet the specialized physiological and psychological needs of adults of all ages, including the frail elderly.

Adult/gerontological acute care nurse practitioners work in emergency departments, tertiary care settings, intensive care units, trauma centers and specialty medicine areas treating patients with acute, critical and chronic illnesses and those with disabilities or injuries. Graduates are eligible for national certification through the American Nurses Credentialing Center.

### Family Nurse Practitioner Concentration

SLU's family nurse practitioner program prepares you to provide primary health care to patients of all ages. You will help prevent disease, assess and manage acute and chronic health problems, and consult and refer patients within the health care system. SLU's family nurse practitioner program emphasizes quality relationships with patients, families and communities, and the education and coordination of services aimed at specific health outcomes.

Family nurse practitioners, also known as FNP's, work in various settings and are well-suited to rural populations, where specialty care may not always be available. Graduates are eligible for national certification from

the American Nurses Credentialing Center and the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners Certification Program.

### Pediatric Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Concentration

If you choose the pediatric primary nurse practitioner program, you will be prepared to provide care to patients from birth through age 21. Pediatric primary care nurse practitioners, also known as PNP's, focus on health promotion, disease prevention, and management of acute and chronic conditions in pediatric offices and schools, community, urgent care and specialty settings. Graduates are eligible for national certification from the Pediatric Nursing Certification Board.

### Family Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Concentration

If you pursue the SLU's family psychiatric-mental health nurse practitioner program, you will work with children, adolescents and adults of all ages with acute or complex mental health needs, or psychiatric diagnoses. SLU's family psychiatric-mental health nurse practitioner program encourages evidence-based, culturally sensitive, recovery-oriented, holistic care.

You will be prepared to apply the nursing process and medical/medication management to promote optimal mental health while engaging in ongoing collaboration with clients, their families, significant others, and the inter-professional team. Graduates are eligible for national certification through the American Nurses Credentialing Center.

## Curriculum Overview

The Post-Bachelor of Science in Nursing to Doctor of Nursing Practice program requires a total of 68 credits beyond the B.S.N., depending on the population specialty focus. The courses can be taken over a four-to-five-year period with full- or part-time study.

Students will complete the program with 1,050 or 1,125 clinical hours, depending on the specialty.

Four visits to Saint Louis University's campus are required. The first is a two-day orientation about online education and the role of nurse practitioners. The second is a three-day residency at the School of Nursing, where your knowledge of the curriculum's content, including diagnostic reasoning, clinical assessment skills and therapeutic communication, will be assessed. The next visit is an orientation to doctoral-level coursework. The fourth occurs at the end of the program to present the DNP project. Please click here (<https://www.slu.edu/nursing/about/current-students/msn-to-dnp.php>) to review DNP projects from previous graduates.

## Careers

Graduates of SLU's Trudy Busch Valentine School of Nursing Doctor of Nursing Practice program are prepared to be nurse clinicians or educators. Graduates influence health policy at institutional, local, state and national levels and formulate strategies to maximize patient health.

According to a *U.S. News & World Report* ranking, the median salary of NPs in 2022 was \$120,680. The best-paid 25% of NPs made \$129,680 that year; the lowest-paid 25% made \$99,540. The Bureau of Labor Statistics projects 52.2% employment growth for NPs between 2020 and 2030. In that period, an estimated 114,900 jobs are projected to open up in the NP profession.

## Admission Requirements

The Saint Louis University Trudy Busch Valentine School of Nursing adheres to the principles of a holistic admission process in which selection criteria are broad-based and linked to our University's and school's mission and goals. While we do consider academic metrics, we also look at applicant experiences, attributes, potential for success, and how applicants may contribute to the school's learning environment and to the profession.

### Licensure Disclosure

The curriculum for this program meets the educational requirements for licensure as an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) in the State of Missouri. Note that the Missouri Board of Nursing may impose additional requirements on candidates prior to granting a license; we encourage you to investigate these requirements.

SLU's Trudy Busch Valentine School of Nursing has not determined whether the curriculum for this program meets the educational requirements for nursing licensure in any other states or territories. However, graduates of our APRN programs are eligible to sit for National Board Certification Exams in all states and territories. We encourage you to investigate the requirements in your state or territory before accepting an offer of admission at the Valentine School of Nursing.

#### Applicant Criteria

- Baccalaureate degree in nursing from a program accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency.
- One year of clinical experience.
- Cumulative grade point average of 3.50 or higher on a 4.00 system.
- An unencumbered registered nurse license in the state in which clinical experience will be done.
- Current CPR certification from the American Heart Association.
- Completion of an undergraduate-level descriptive and inferential statistics course.
- Completion of a beginning-level health assessment or equivalent course.

### Requirements for International Students

All admission policies and requirements for domestic students apply to international students. International students must also meet the following additional requirements:

- Demonstrate English Language Proficiency (<https://catalog.slu.edu/academic-policies/office-admission/undergraduate/english-language-proficiency/>)
- Financial documents are required to complete an application for admission and be reviewed for admission and merit scholarships.
- Proof of financial support that must include:
  - A letter of financial support from the person(s) or sponsoring agency funding the student's time at Saint Louis University
  - A letter from the sponsor's bank verifying that the funds are available and will be so for the duration of the student's study at the University
- Academic records, in English translation, of students who have undertaken postsecondary studies outside the United States must include:
  - Courses taken and/or lectures attended
  - Practical laboratory work

- The maximum and minimum grades attainable
- The grades earned or the results of all end-of-term examinations
- Any honors or degrees received.

WES and ECE transcripts are accepted.

### Application Requirements

Applying for the B.S.N.-D.N.P. program requires careful planning to ensure that all admission requirements are met. You may experience a delay in processing if the application instructions are not followed exactly as listed.

Please follow the five steps outlined below to apply:

#### Step 1 - Application

Submit the application form and pay the associated fee through NursingCAS (<https://nursingcas.org>). Select Saint Louis University.

#### Step 2 - Transcripts

Please submit your official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended directly to NursingCAS (<https://nursingcas.org>). They will provide details when the application is initiated.

#### Step 3 - Resume or Curriculum Vitae

Attach your CV/résumé documenting your education, clinical nursing experience, and service to the nursing profession/community within the NursingCAS (<https://nursingcas.org>) application.

#### Step 4 - Professional Goal Statement

Attach your professional goal statement within the NursingCAS (<https://nursingcas.org>) application. The goal statement should outline your goals for doctoral study, research translation area of interest for the capstone project and your career goals. The statement should be one-to-two pages and double-spaced.

#### Step 5 - RN License

Attach a copy of your unencumbered registered nurse license in the state in which clinical experience will be done within the NursingCAS (<https://nursingcas.org>) application.

### Application Deadlines

- Fall admissions: Priority admission is April 15th with an application deadline of June 1st.
- Spring admissions: Priority admission is October 15th with an application deadline of December 1st.

If the application deadline has passed for your semester of interest, please contact [gradnurse@slu.edu](mailto:gradnurse@slu.edu). Late applications may be accepted.

### Review Process

Applications will be reviewed shortly after all application requirements have been submitted.

### Tuition

Tuition	Cost Per Credit
Doctor in Nursing Practice (DNP)	\$1,310

Additional charges may apply. Other resources are listed below:

Net Price Calculator (<https://www.slu.edu/financial-aid/tuition-and-costs/calculator.php>)

Information on Tuition and Fees (<https://catalog.slu.edu/academic-policies/student-financial-services/tuition/>)

Miscellaneous Fees (<https://catalog.slu.edu/academic-policies/student-financial-services/fees/>)

Information on Summer Tuition (<https://catalog.slu.edu/academic-policies/student-financial-services/tuition-summer/>)

## Scholarships and Financial Aid

Financing for this program may be available through grants, scholarships, loans (federal and private) and institutional financing plans. For price estimates, please review the SLU Cost Calculator (<https://www.slu.edu/financial-aid/tuition-and-costs/calculator.php>).

The Valentine School of Nursing offers scholarship and graduate research assistantship opportunities (<https://www.slu.edu/nursing/scholarships/>) to eligible graduate students. Additionally, most nursing students will participate in a tuition assistance program provided through their employer.

For more information, visit the student financial services office online at <https://www.slu.edu/financial-aid> (<https://www.slu.edu/financial-aid/>).

## Accreditation

The Trudy Busch Valentine School of Nursing is fully approved by the Missouri State Board of Nursing.

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Master of Science in Nursing and Doctor of Nursing Practice at the Valentine School of Nursing are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (<https://www.aacnnursing.org/CCNE/>) and approved by the Missouri State Board of Nursing (<https://www.pr.mo.gov/nursing.asp>). To achieve its educational objectives, the school uses the hospitals within SSM Health and many health care organizations in the greater St. Louis area.

## Learning Outcomes

- Graduates will be able to use advanced knowledge of mid-range and translational theories from nursing and other disciplines as a framework for advanced nursing practice.
- Graduates will be able to critically examine research and scholarship to support evidence-based clinical practice.
- Graduates will be able to exemplify ethical principles in the delivery of comprehensive health care.
- Graduates will be able to formulate strategies to maximize health inpatient populations.
- Graduates will be able to develop clinical competence for advanced practice that provides consumers with primary, secondary and/or tertiary health care.
- Graduates will be able to use technology and information to improve health care.
- Graduates will be able to apply principles of epidemiology, biostatistics, and environmental sciences to recognized populations at risk, patterns of disease, and effectiveness of prevention and intervention.
- Graduates will be able to apply current knowledge of organizations and financing of health care systems to improve the outcomes of care.
- Graduates will be able to design and implement processes to evaluate outcomes and systems for health care delivery.
- Graduates will be able to use business and management strategies for the provision of quality care and efficient use of resources.
- Graduates will be able to use advanced communication and leadership skills with interprofessional health care teams to create and evaluate health care delivery systems.
- Graduates will be able to influence health policy at institutional, local, state and national levels.

## Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Program Core Requirements</b>		
NURS 5000	Epidemiology	3
NURS 5040	Advanced Practice Nursing: Role Acquisition	1
HCE 5500	Ethics in Nursing& Health Care	2
NURS 5080	Advanced Pharmacology	3
NURS 5110	Advanced Assessment and Clinical Decision Making	3
NURS 5140	Health Promotion	3
NURS 5160	Principles of Practice Management	2
NURS 5170	Advanced Pathophysiology	3
NURS 5200	Gen Research Methods	3
NURS 6100	Health Care Policy and the Advanced Practice Nurse	3
NURS 6110	Health Care Delivery Systems	3
NURS 6130	Interprofessional Collaboration	3
NURS 6140	Leadership in Health Care	3
NURS 6150	Clinical Informatics	2
NURS 6160	Evidence-Based Practice I	3
NURS 6170	Evidence-Based Practice II	3
NURS 6805	Introduction to Applied Statistics for Healthcare Research	3
NURS 6960	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project Management	2
NURS 6961	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project	3
<b>Concentrations</b>		<b>16-22</b>
Select one of the following:		
Adult-Gerontological Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (p. 4)		
Family Nurse Practitioner (p. 4)		
Pediatric Primary Care Nurse Practitioner (p. 4)		
Family Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (p. 4)		
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>67-73</b>

**Adult-Gerontological Acute Care Nurse Practitioner**

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Concentration Courses</b>		
NURS 5310	Critical Appraisal of Technology: Acute Care	3
NURS 5260	Advanced Clinical Studies I: The Acute Care Setting	4
NURS 5270	Advanced Clinical Studies II: The Acute Care Setting	5
NURS 5810	Advanced Practice Nursing Clinical Practicum	5
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>17</b>

**Family Nurse Practitioner**

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Concentration Courses</b>		
NURS 5630	Dynamics of Family Nursing Practice	3
NURS 5280	Advanced Clinical Studies I: Adults and Older Adults	5
NURS 5290	Advanced Clinical Studies II: Women and Children	5
NURS 5510	Mental Health Care Family	2
NURS 5810	Advanced Practice Nursing Clinical Practicum	5
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>20</b>

**Pediatric Primary Care Nurse Practitioner**

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Concentration Courses</b>		
NURS 5550	Family and Child Development	3
NURS 5320	Advanced Clinical Studies I: Nursing of Children	4
NURS 5330	Advanced Clinical Studies II: Nursing of Children	4
NURS 5810	Advanced Practice Nursing Clinical Practicum	5
NURS 5900	Residency	0
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>16</b>

**Family Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner**

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Concentration Courses</b>		
NURS 5400	Ecological Approach to Human Behavior	3
NURS 5550	Family and Child Development	3
NURS 5340	Advanced Clinical Studies I: Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing	4
NURS 5350	Advanced Clinical Studies II: Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing	5
NURS 5430	Psychopharmacology	2
NURS 5810	Advanced Practice Nursing Clinical Practicum	5
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>22</b>

**Continuation Standards**

Students must maintain a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 in all graduate/professional courses.

**Roadmap**

Roadmaps are recommended semester-by-semester plans of study for programs and assume full-time enrollment unless otherwise noted.

Courses and milestones designated as critical (marked with !) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation. Transfer credit may change the roadmap.

This roadmap should not be used in the place of regular academic advising appointments. All students are encouraged to meet with their advisor/mentor each semester. Requirements, course availability and sequencing are subject to change.

**Adult-Gerontological Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Concentration**

Course	Title	Credits
<b>Year One</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
! Orientation (onsite in St. Louis, MO)		
NURS 5040	Advanced Practice Nursing: Role Acquisition	1
NURS 5170	Advanced Pathophysiology	3
NURS 6110	Health Care Delivery Systems	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>7</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
NURS 5140	Health Promotion	3
NURS 5200	Gen Research Methods	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Summer</b>		
NURS 5000	Epidemiology	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Year Two</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 5080	Advanced Pharmacology	3
HCE 5500	Ethics in Nursing& Health Care	2
<b>Credits</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
NURS 5110	Advanced Assessment and Clinical Decision Making	3
NURS 6100	Health Care Policy and the Advanced Practice Nurse	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Summer</b>		
NURS 6805	Introduction to Applied Statistics for Healthcare Research	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Year Three</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 5260	Advanced Clinical Studies I: The Acute Care Setting	4
<b>Credits</b>		<b>4</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
NURS 5270	Advanced Clinical Studies II: The Acute Care Setting	5
NURS 5310	Critical Appraisal of Technology: Acute Care	3
NURS 5900	Residency (onsite in St. Louis, MO)	0
<b>Credits</b>		<b>8</b>

**Summer**

NURS 5810	Advanced Practice Nursing Clinical Practicum (75 clinical hours)	1
NURS 6130	Interprofessional Collaboration (75 clinical hours)	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>4</b>

**Year Four****Fall**

DNP Orientation (onsite in St. Louis, MO)		
NURS 5810	Advanced Practice Nursing Clinical Practicum (75 clinical hours)	1
NURS 6150	Clinical Informatics	2
<b>Credits</b>		<b>3</b>

**Spring**

NURS 6160	Evidence-Based Practice I (75 clinical hours)	3
NURS 6140	Leadership in Health Care (75 clinical hours)	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>

**Summer**

NURS 5810	Advanced Practice Nursing Clinical Practicum (75 clinical hours)	1
<b>Credits</b>		<b>1</b>

**Year Five****Fall**

NURS 5810	Advanced Practice Nursing Clinical Practicum (75 clinical hours)	1
NURS 6170	Evidence-Based Practice II	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>4</b>

**Spring**

NURS 6960	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project Management	1
NURS 6961	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project (225 clinical hours)	1
<b>Credits</b>		<b>2</b>

**Summer**

NURS 6961	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project (225 clinical hours)	1
<b>Credits</b>		<b>1</b>

**Year Six****Fall**

NURS 5160	Principles of Practice Management	2
NURS 6960	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project Management	1
NURS 6961	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project	1
<b>Credits</b>		<b>4</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>67</b>

**Family Nurse Practitioner**

Course	Title	Credits
<b>Year One</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 5040	Advanced Practice Nursing: Role Acquisition	1
NURS 5170	Advanced Pathophysiology	3
NURS 5200	Gen Research Methods	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>7</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
HCE 5500	Ethics in Nursing& Health Care	2
NURS 6100	Health Care Policy and the Advanced Practice Nurse	3
NURS 6805	Introduction to Applied Statistics for Healthcare Research	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>8</b>
<b>Year Two</b>		
<b>Summer</b>		
NURS 5000	Epidemiology	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 5110	Advanced Assessment and Clinical Decision Making	3
NURS 5630	Dynamics of Family Nursing Practice	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
NURS 5080	Advanced Pharmacology	3
NURS 5140	Health Promotion	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Year Three</b>		
<b>Summer</b>		
NURS 6130	Interprofessional Collaboration	3
NURS 5810	Advanced Practice Nursing Clinical Practicum	1
<b>Credits</b>		<b>4</b>
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 5280	Advanced Clinical Studies I: Adults and Older Adults (NURS 5280-23)	5
NURS 6150	Clinical Informatics	2
<b>Credits</b>		<b>7</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
NURS 5290	Advanced Clinical Studies II: Women and Children	5
NURS 5510	Mental Health Care Family	2
NURS 5900	Residency	0
<b>Credits</b>		<b>7</b>
<b>Year Four</b>		
<b>Summer</b>		
DNP Orientation (Onsite in St. Louis, MO)		
<b>Credits</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 5160	Principles of Practice Management	2



NURS 5810	Advanced Practice Nursing Clinical Practicum	2
NURS 6110	Health Care Delivery Systems	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>7</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
NURS 6160	Evidence-Based Practice I	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Year Five</b>		
<b>Summer</b>		
NURS 6961	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project	1
<b>Credits</b>		<b>1</b>
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 6130	Interprofessional Collaboration	3
NURS 6170	Evidence-Based Practice II	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
NURS 6140	Leadership in Health Care	3
NURS 6960	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project Management	1
<b>Credits</b>		<b>4</b>
<b>Year Six</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 6960	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project Management	1
NURS 6961	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project	2
<b>Credits</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>72</b>

## Family Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Concentration

Course	Title	Credits
<b>Year One</b>		
<b>Summer</b>		
NURS 6805	Introduction to Applied Statistics for Healthcare Research	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 5170	Advanced Pathophysiology	3
NURS 5040	Advanced Practice Nursing: Role Acquisition	1
NURS 5550	Family and Child Development	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>7</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
NURS 5140	Health Promotion	3
NURS 5080	Advanced Pharmacology	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Year Two</b>		
<b>Summer</b>		
NURS 5430	Psychopharmacology	2
NURS 5000	Epidemiology	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>5</b>

<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 5110	Advanced Assessment and Clinical Decision Making	3
NURS 5200 or ORES 5100	Gen Research Methods or Research Methods in Health & Medicine	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
NURS 5400	Ecological Approach to Human Behavior	3
HCE 5500	Ethics in Nursing& Health Care	2
<b>Credits</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Year Three</b>		
<b>Summer</b>		
NURS 5810	Advanced Practice Nursing Clinical Practicum	2
NURS 6130	Interprofessional Collaboration	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 5340	Advanced Clinical Studies I: Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing	4
NURS 6150	Clinical Informatics	2
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
NURS 5350	Advanced Clinical Studies II: Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing <sup>†</sup>	5
NURS 5900	Residency	0
<b>Credits</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Year Four</b>		
<b>Summer</b>		
NURS 6960	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project Management	1
NURS 6961	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project	1
<b>Credits</b>		<b>2</b>
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 5810	Advanced Practice Nursing Clinical Practicum	2
NURS 5160	Principles of Practice Management	2
NURS 6170	Evidence-Based Practice II	3
NURS 6110	Health Care Delivery Systems	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>10</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
NURS 6140	Leadership in Health Care	3
NURS 6100	Health Care Policy and the Advanced Practice Nurse	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Year Five</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 6960	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project Management	1
NURS 6961	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project (Capstone)	2
<b>Credits</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>69</b>

† 3 day on-site; usually end of April

## Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Concentration

Course	Title	Credits
<b>Year One</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 5170	Advanced Pathophysiology	3
NURS 5140	Health Promotion	3
NURS 5040	Advanced Practice Nursing: Role Acquisition	1
MSN Orientation (onsite in St. Louis, MO)		
<b>Credits</b>		<b>7</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
NURS 5080	Advanced Pharmacology	3
NURS 5200	Gen Research Methods	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Summer</b>		
NURS 5000	Epidemiology	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Year Two</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 5550	Family and Child Development	3
NURS 6110	Health Care Delivery Systems	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
NURS 5110	Advanced Assessment and Clinical Decision Making († (75 Clinical Hours))	3
NURS 6100	Health Care Policy and the Advanced Practice Nurse	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Summer</b>		
HCE 5500	Ethics in Nursing& Health Care	2
NURS 6805	Introduction to Applied Statistics for Healthcare Research	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Year Three</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 5320	Advanced Clinical Studies I: Nursing of Children († (75 Clinical Hours))	4
NURS 6150	Clinical Informatics	2
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
NURS 5160	Principles of Practice Management	2
NURS 5330	Advanced Clinical Studies II: Nursing of Children († (75 Clinical Hours))	4
NURS 5900	Residency (Two day, onsite in St. Louis, MO)	
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>

<b>Summer</b>		
NURS 6130	Interprofessional Collaboration ((75 Clinical Hours))	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Year Four</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 5810	Advanced Practice Nursing Clinical Practicum ((225 Clinical Hours))	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
NURS 6140	Leadership in Health Care († (75 Clinical Hours))	3
NURS 6160	Evidence-Based Practice I († (75 Clinical Hours))	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Summer</b>		
DNP Orientation (onsite in St. Louis, MO)		
<b>Credits</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>Year Five</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 5810	Advanced Practice Nursing Clinical Practicum († (75 Clinical Hours))	1
NURS 6170	Evidence-Based Practice II	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>4</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
NURS 6960	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project Management	1
NURS 6961	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project († (75 Clinical Hours))	1
<b>Credits</b>		<b>2</b>
<b>Summer</b>		
NURS 6961	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project († (75 Clinical Hours))	1
<b>Credits</b>		<b>1</b>
<b>Year Six</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 6960	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project Management	1
NURS 6961	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project († (75 Clinical Hours))	1
NURS 5810	Advanced Practice Nursing Clinical Practicum († (75 Clinical Hours))	1
<b>Credits</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>67</b>

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