DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE: POST-MASTER'S

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St. Kate's post-master's DNP program is designed to meet the needs and demands of working adults. Completed within 21 months, this 36 credit program is based on best practices for online learning, combining synchronous and asynchronous learning with high faculty engagement. Students visit campus twice during the program at the beginning and end and follow the same cohort of students throughout the entire program.

Practicum experiences are structured in such a way that applied learning is enhanced and students have an opportunity to expand understanding of ethical leadership, social justice, interprofessional collaboration, knowledge of the discipline of nursing, informatics, evidence-based practice, organizational systems, healthcare economics and health policy. A final quality improvement project is required in order to demonstrate program outcomes and focuses on a specific practice issue identified by the student and supported by a DNP Project Team.

Degree Requirements

A minimum of 36 credits. The overall minimum grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale is required. To complete your DNP, you will document the completion of 540 practicum/clinical hours.

Years to Complete the Program

Students are expected to complete the DNP Program within four years of initial enrollment and will be allowed to re-sequence only once in the DNP course of study.

Curriculum

Code	Title	Credits
NURS 7140	Foundations of Advanced Nursing Practice	3
STAT 7000	Introduction to Biostatistics	3
NURS 8506	Post Masters Practicum	0
NURS 8523	Advanced Evidence-based Practice	3
NURS 8515	DNP Integration I	2
NURS 8150	Leadership for Advanced Nursing Practice	3
NURS 8536	Healthcare Economics and Finance	3
NURS 8507	Post Masters Practicum	2
NURS 8516	DNP Integration II	2
NURS 8300	Advanced Outcomes Measurement and Evaluation	3
NURS 8517	DNP Integration III	2
NURS 8518	DNP Integration IV	2
NURS 8543	Health Care: Power, Policy and Politics	3
NURS 7080	Informatics for Advanced Nursing Practice	3
Total Credits		**34**

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DNP Practicum Project

Students complete at least 540 DNP practicum hours related to the systems change project. Students identify a site and site mentor for the systems change project, which may be conducted at the student's practice setting. Faculty collaborate with students to facilitate selection of mentors and clinical practicum experiences.

Code	Title	Credits
Fall Term		
STAT 7000	Introduction to Biostatistics	3
NURS 7140	Foundations of Advanced Nursing Practice	3
NURS 8506	Post Masters Practicum	0
Spring Term		
NURS 7080	Informatics for Advanced Nursing Practice	3
NURS 8523	Advanced Evidence-based Practice	3
NURS 8515	DNP Integration I	2
Summer Term		
NURS 8300	Advanced Outcomes Measurement and Evaluation	3
NURS 8516	DNP Integration II	2
Fall Term		
NURS 8536	Healthcare Economics and Finance	3
NURS 8517	DNP Integration III	2
NURS 8150	Leadership for Advanced Nursing Practice	3
Spring Term		
NURS 8543	Health Care: Power, Policy and Politics	3
NURS 8518	DNP Integration IV	2
NURS 8507	Post Masters Practicum	2
Total Credits		**34**