



NORTHWESTERN STATE

College of Nursing and School of Allied Health

Doctor of Nursing Practice Program: Nurse Anesthesia Concentration Curriculum Begins: Spring 2026

Year 1	Semester One: Spring	Cr. Hr	Semester Two: Summer	Cr. Hr	Semester Three: Fall	Cr. Hr
	NURG 7000: Knowledge for Advanced Nursing Practice ⁺	3	NURG 7015: Role of the APRN in Practice ⁺	2	NURG 7001 Population Health ⁺	3
	NURG 7002: Clinical Scholarship ⁺	3	NURG 5700: Methods of Clinical Nursing Assessment ⁺	3	NURG 5710: Pharmacotherapeutics	3
	NURG 7004: Organizational Leadership and Health Informatics ⁺	3	NURG 7031: Functional and Structural Anatomy ⁺	3	NURG 7016: Advanced Physiology and Pathophysiology	4
	NURG 7003: Statistics for Improving Health Related Outcomes ⁺	3			NURG 7017: Principles of Anesthesia Practice I	4
Total		12		8		14
Year 2	Semester Four: Spring	Cr. Hr	Semester Five: Summer	Cr. Hr	Semester Six: Fall	Cr. Hr
	NURG 7007: Healthcare Policy: Analysis, Advocacy, and Transformation ⁺	3	NURG 7032: DNP Project Development ⁺	2	NURG 7010: DNP Project Practicum I ⁺	3
	NURG 7018: Advanced Physiology and Pathophysiology for Nurse Anesthesia	4	NURG 7023: Principles of Anesthesia Practice III	3	NURG 7024: Principles of Anesthesia Practice IV	3
	NURG 7019: Advanced Pharmacology for Nurse Anesthesia	4	NURG 7022: Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Practicum II (320 cl hr.)	6	*NURG 7025: Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Practicum III (576 cl hr.)	10
	NURG 7020: Principles of Anesthesia Practice II	3				
	*NURG 7021: Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Practicum I (128 cl hr.)	3				
Total		17		11		16
Year 3	Semester Seven: Spring	Cr. Hr	Semester Eight: Summer	Cr. Hr	Semester Nine: Fall	Cr. Hr
	*NURG 7026: Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Practicum IV (704 cl hr.)	12	*NURG 7027: Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Practicum V (704 cl hr.)	12	*NURG 7028: Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Practicum VI (704 cl hr.)	12
	NURG 7011: DNP Project Practicum II ⁺	3	NURG 7012: DNP Project Practicum III ⁺	3	NURG 7029: Professional Role of the Anesthetist	3
Total		15		15		15

Total Program Credit Hours = 123; Total Program Clinical Hours: DNP students are required to complete a "...1,000 clinical hour minimum upon degree completion" (AACN, 2006). Each scholarly project practicum credit hour equals 60 direct clinical practice hours. *Each clinical practicum course is a 1:4 ratio with the clinical hours delivered over a 16-week semester for a total of 3136 hours. ⁺Denotes online course offering.