



NORTHWESTERN STATE

College of Nursing and School of Allied Health

Doctor of Nursing Practice Program: Educational Leadership 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	3-3-0	NURG 7002: Clinical Scholarship	3-3-0	NURG 7001: Population Health	3-3-0
	NURG 7003: Statistics for Improving Health Related Outcomes	3-3-0	EDUC 7040 Instructional Design and Professional Development for Adult Learning	3-3-0	NURG 7010: DNP Project Practicum I	3-0-12
			NURG 7032: DNP Project Development	2-2-0		
Total		6		8		6
YEAR 2	Semester Four: Spring	Cr. Hr	Semester Five: Summer	Cr. Hr	Semester Six: Fall	Cr. Hr
	NURG 7011: DNP Project Practicum II	3-0-12	NURG 7012: DNP Project Practicum III	3-0-12	NURG 7004 Organizational Leadership and Health Informatics	3-3-0
	NURG 7007: Healthcare Policy: Analysis, Advocacy, and Transformation	3-3-0	EDUC 7170 Applied Principles of Adult Learning	3-3-0	NURG 7036: Advanced Educational Leadership Practicum	3-2-3
Total		6		6		6

Total Program Credit Hours: 38 credit hours. Total Program Clinical Hours: DNP students are required to obtain a minimum of 1,000 post-baccalaureate practicum hours upon degree completion (AACN, 2021). Of these 1,000 post-baccalaureate practicum hours, a minimum of 585 direct/indirect practicum hours must be obtained within the program, regardless of previously earned post-baccalaureate clinical hours.