

DNP in Nursing with Emphasis in Adult-Gerontology Clinical Nurse Specialist

Students who pursue the Clinical Nurse Specialist area of study will be prepared as expert clinicians in a specialized area of nursing practice (Adult-Gerontology). In addition to providing direct patient care, Clinical Nurse Specialists influence care outcomes by providing expert consultation for nursing staff and by implementing evidence-based practice initiatives to support improvements in healthcare delivery systems.

Degree Requirements

Required Courses

NURSE 7087	Leadership and Technology Institute	1
NURSE 7010	Biostatistical Foundations for Health Researchers	3
NURSE 7110	Advanced Nursing Roles and Professional Communication	3
NURSE 7120	Advanced Physiology and Pathophysiology	3
NURSE 7130	Advanced Pharmacology and Pharmacotherapeutics	3
NURSE 7140	Advanced Health Assessment and Promotion	3.5
NURSE 7160	Scientific Foundations for Health Sciences	4
NURSE 8089	Transition to APRN Practice	1
NURSE 8100	Principles of Epidemiology	3
NURSE 8170	Public Health, Sociocultural Issues, and Health Policy	3
NURSE 8310	Health Disparities of Rural and Other Underserved Populations	3
NURSE 8400	Adult and Geriatric Primary Care I	3.5-5
NURSE 8410	Adult and Geriatric Primary Care II	3.5-5
NURSE 8540	Advanced Diagnostics and Reasoning I	3.5-5
NURSE 8545	Advanced Diagnostics and Reasoning II	3.5-5
NURSE 8710	Clinical Management of Acute and Critical Care Problems	3.5-5
NURSE 8720	Symptom Management in Acute and Chronic Illness	3-5
NURSE 8910	Translational Evidence-Based Nursing Practice	3
NURSE 8920	Quality, Safety, and Performance Outcomes	3
NURSE 8930	Health Program Design and Management	3
NURSE 9070	DNP Clinical Residency	1-5
NURSE 9080	DNP Residency Project (3 credits required)	1-3
NURSE 9087	Leadership and Transformational Role Institute	2

Electives if needed to complete 72 credits; choose from the following:

NURSE 8010	Family Dynamics and Intervention	3
NURSE 8820	Health Care Financial Management	4
NURSE 8854	Teaching Strategies in Nursing and Healthcare	3
NURSE 8864	Curriculum Development in Nursing	3
NURSE 8874	Evaluation Strategies in Nursing and Healthcare	3

Admissions

Applicants are required to meet two sets of minimum qualifications for admission: the requirements of the DNP in Nursing (<https://nursing.missouri.edu/academic-programs/>) and the minimum requirements of the Graduate School (<http://gradschool.missouri.edu/admissions/eligibility-process/minimum-requirements.php>). Because requirements vary, you *must* refer to a degree program's graduate admission page to learn about specific admission criteria, application deadlines, eligibility, and application process. Your application materials will be reviewed by both the Graduate School and the degree program to which you have applied before official admission to the University of Missouri.