

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Student Learning Outcomes

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1. Integrate nursing science and theory with evidence, ethics, and knowledge from other disciplines as the basis for specialty-focused advanced nursing practice. (Essential 1)
2. Develop, implement, and evaluate new practice approaches based on nursing science and theory, as well as knowledge from other disciplines. (Essential 3)
3. Partner with intraprofessional and interprofessional teams to lead change in health outcomes and complex systems of care. (Essential 6)
4. Demonstrate advanced levels of clinical judgment, systems thinking, and accountability in designing, delivering, and evaluating evidence-based care to improve patient and population health outcomes. (Essential 2)
5. Function as a practice specialist in collaborative knowledge-generating research. (Essential 3)
6. Translate knowledge into practice and policy to protect and improve health and health systems. (Essential 5)
7. Use information systems technology to monitor health, identify needs, and evaluate outcomes of care and system improvements. (Essential 4)
8. Develop, implement, and evaluate interventions to improve health status and access patterns, and to address gaps in care of individuals, aggregates, or populations. (Essential 7)
9. Demonstrate advanced levels of clinical judgment, systems thinking, and accountability in designing, delivering, and evaluating evidence-based care to improve individual and population health outcomes (Essential 8)
10. Guide, mentor, and support other nurses to achieve excellence in specialty nursing practice. (Essential 8)

Note: The Essential referenced in parenthesis at the end of each student learning outcome correlates with the relevant DNP Essential as published in the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) The Essentials of Doctoral Education for Advanced Nursing Practice (October 2006).