FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER WITH EMERGENCY SPECIALTY (DNP)

The Family Nurse Practitioner with Emergency Specialty track of the DNP program is designed to prepare graduates to work in emergent settings. Graduates are prepared to prioritize and triage patients, conduct advanced health assessments and health histories, diagnose and manage episodic illnesses, injuries, and acute exacerbation of chronic diseases in emergency settings, undertake emergency care procedures, and provide leadership in team partnerships to advanced emergency care, emergency preparedness, and response efforts.

Curriculum

Credit Hours
79 credit hours

Coursework

Core Courses
- Theories and Concept for Advanced Clinical Practice
- Research for Advanced Clinical Practice
- Population-focused Health
- Social Justice and Ethics in Health Care
- Leadership and Roles in Advanced Nursing Practice
- Statistics for Health and Biological Sciences
- Health Care Policy and Economics
- Evidence Translation for Advanced Clinical Practice
- DNP Project

Role (NP) Courses
- Advanced Pathophysiology
- Advanced Pharmacology
- Advanced Health Assessment Across the Lifespan
- Basic Diagnostics for Advanced Practice

Population (Family) Courses
- Management of Adult Health Problems I & II
- Child & Family Health
- Childbearing Family
- Clinical Rotations I, II, & III

Specialty (Emergency) Courses
- Emergency Care Procedures for the Nurse Practitioner
- Emergency Health Care of Adults
- Emergency Health Care Advanced Practice Practicums
- Special Topics in Emergency Health Care

Clinical Experiences

Faculty design and secure all clinical rotations for students. Loyola maintains academic-practice partnerships throughout the Chicago metropolitan area with a focus on serving communities with high needs. Clinical experiences will be completed in primary care and emergency department settings.

Learning Outcomes

PROGRAM GOAL

The goal of the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program is to prepare nurses to assume advanced roles in direct care and systems leadership domains at the highest level of nursing to improve health care outcomes through practice-based scholarship.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

At the completion of the DNP program, the graduate has the knowledge and skills to:

- Apply integrated scientific, knowledge and clinical judgements at the highest level of professional nursing practice.
- Evaluate health care delivery approaches and healthcare systems, with an emphasis on quality and safety.
- Apply best evidence in approaches to client and system-centered practices.
- Apply analytic approaches and information technology in the delivery and improvement of client-centered health care and health care systems.
- Employ ethics, leadership, and advocacy concepts to advance healthcare quality and equity for individuals, systems and populations.
- Implement intraprofessional and interprofessional leadership and collaboration competencies and methods, at the highest level of professional nursing practice in advancing health and health outcomes.