SYSTEMS LEADERSHIP (DNP)

The Systems Leadership track of the Doctor of Nursing Practice program integrates advanced nursing practice competencies in a post- master's curriculum that includes leadership, systems thinking, quality and safety, health policy, and health care economics and finance.

This program is available to students entering with a completed MSN degree.

Curriculum

Our flexible DNP in Systems Leadership program provides part-time and full-time options to fit your schedule.

Courses

Code	Title	Hours
GNUR 420	Leadership and Roles in Advanced Nursing Practice	3
GNUR 405	Introductory Statistics for Healthcare Professionals	3
CMAN 425 or GNUR 509	Advanced Quality and Safety in Health Care Teaching Methods	3
GNUR 521	Population-Focused Health	3
GNUR 545	Evidence Translation for Advanced Clinical Practice	3
GNUR 523	Health Care Policy and Economics	3
GNUR 407	Social Justice and Ethics in Health Care	3
Project Course		
DNP 510	Capstone Seminar	3
Practicum		
DNP 511	Practicum	6
GNUR 510	Teaching Practicum [1]	3
Total Hours		**33**

[1] Required for students participating in Nurse Faculty Loan Program

The online program includes two required immersion weekends for integrated learning and collaboration with classmates and faculty. The weekends occur once a year during the last two years of the program at Loyola's Health Sciences Campus.

DNP Project

Students are required to complete a final DNP project which must focus on translating evidence to practice, practice change, or health policy change.

Graduate & Professional Standards and Regulations

Students in graduate and professional programs can find their Academic Policies in Graduate and Professional Academic Standards and Regulations (https://catalog.luc.edu/academic-standards-regulations/graduate-professional/) under their school. Any additional University Policies supersede school policies.

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.