Washington State University
MAJOR CHANGE FORM – REQUIREMENTS

NOTE: If proposing a new program (degree) or extending, moving, consolidating, eliminating or renaming an existing program (degree), these proposals must first go through the Provost’s Office review process. Please do not use this form. Please contact the Provost’s Office for directions on processing program (degree) proposals.

SUBMITTING PROPOSAL – Follow the steps on form, then:
☐ Submit one electronic copy of complete packet of signed form/rationale statement/supporting documentation and/or edits to wsu.curriculum@wsu.edu.
☐ Send the original stapled packet PLUS 10 stapled copies of packet to the Registrar’s Office, campus mail code 1035.

Department Name College of Nursing - Doctor of Nursing Practice Program

1. Check proposed changes:
☐ New Plan (Major) in ____________________________ CIP# ____________
☐ Change name of Plan (Major) from ____________________________ to ____________________________
☐ Revise certification requirements for the Plan (Major) in Doctor of Nursing Practice - Post-Bac & Post MN Core
☐ Revise Plan (Major) requirements in ____________________________
☐ Drop Plan (Major) in ____________________________
☐ New Sub-Plan (Option) in ____________________________ CIP# ____________
☐ Change name of Sub-Plan (Option) from ____________________________ to ____________________________
☐ Revise requirements for the Sub-Plan (Option) in ____________________________
☐ Drop Sub-Plan (Option) in ____________________________
☐ New Minor in ____________________________ CIP# ____________
☐ Change name of Minor from ____________________________ to ____________________________
☐ Revise Minor requirements in ____________________________
☐ Drop Minor in ____________________________
☐ New Certificate in ____________________________ CIP# ____________
☐ Change name of Certificate from ____________________________ to ____________________________
☐ Revise Certificate requirements in ____________________________
☐ Drop Certificate in ____________________________
☐ Other ____________________________

2. Effective Date: Fall ____________ (Requirement changes are effective for following fall terms.) Submission deadline is Oct 1st.
NOTE: Items received after deadlines may be put to the back of the line or forwarded to the following year. Please submit on time.

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3. PLEASE ATTACH A RATIONALE STATEMENT giving the reasons for each request marked above, and explaining how this impacts other units in Pullman and other campuses (if applicable).

4. PROVIDE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION AND/OR CURRENT CATALOG COPY with edit marks showing requested changes.

5. SIGN AND DATE APPROVALS.

Chair Signature/date  Dean Signature/date  CSC Date  

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September 25, 2014

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE PROGRAM
CURRICULUM CHANGE REQUEST

REQUEST
The College of Nursing is requesting approval of the revised Doctor of Nursing Practice curricula for its core program and specialty tracks. This packet includes the Major Curricular Change Forms, the background and rationale for the curricular changes for the DNP program, and an outline of the DNP core coursework for which approval is requested. All new/revised courses in the proposed curriculum are submitted with this packet with appropriate Major Curricular Change Forms and rationale statements.

BACKGROUND AND RATIONALE
In 2013, new standards were published by the National Task Force on Nurse Practitioner Education (NTF), a joint task force of the Commission for Collegiate Nursing Education and the National Association of Nurse Practitioner Faculty. To adhere with these new standards and new certification examination requirements for graduates of Nurse Practitioner programs, the College of Nursing undertook extensive revision of the curriculum in the Family Nurse Practitioner and Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Doctor of Nursing Practice program. These changes required alterations in the core courses offered as part of the DNP program as well as changes in the specialty courses leading to graduate eligibility for certification as Family and/or Psychiatric Nurse Practitioners.

Further, the WSU College of Nursing is accredited by the Commission for Collegiate Nursing Education and approved to offer instruction leading to nursing licensure by the Washington Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission, a state agency. In March 2014, both agencies visited the WSU College of Nursing to conduct an extensive program review. As one result of that visit and the subsequent full accreditation, faculty in the College of Nursing undertook a review of the Doctor of Nursing Practice curriculum.

There are seven options for graduation from the DNP program. Courses required for each of these options are described in the Appendix included with this document. The options include:

Post-baccalaureate DNP – Advanced Population Health
Post-baccalaureate DNP – Family Nurse Practitioner
Post-baccalaureate DNP – Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
Post-Master’s DNP – General Plan
Post-Master’s DNP – Population Health
Post-Master’s DNP – Family Nurse Practitioner
Post-Master’s DNP – Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner

Although extensive changes were made in the DNP curriculum in 2013-2014, further changes
have been made necessary by regulations that govern compliance with national standards for DNP and Nurse Practitioner Education. The College of Nursing is grateful for the support of the Faculty Senate in planning for the implementation of these additional changes.
### COMPARISON OF APPROVED (2010) AND CURRENT/PROPOSED DNP CURRICULUM PLANS

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Prerequisite for admission:

- NURS 526 Analytical Foundations for Health Sciences: 3 credits

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The courses and credits listed below were developed to ensure that students meet WSU-CON DNP Program outcomes and that the program complies with requirements of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN), the parent organization of the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), the accrediting body for College of Nursing programs.

Courses are arranged here to reflect core content in four core areas: Post-Baccalaureate, Advanced Population Health, Family Nurse Practitioner, Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner, and Post-Master’s. Students combine these various program core courses to complete one of seven DNP Program options, as illustrated below.

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| Post-baccalaureate DNP – Advanced Population Health (72 credits) | Post-Baccalaureate Core Courses (48 credits)  
Advanced Population Core Courses (24 credits) |
| Post-baccalaureate DNP – Family Nurse Practitioner (75 credits) | Post-Baccalaureate Core Courses (39 credits)  
Family Nurse Practitioner Core Courses (36 credits) |
| Post-baccalaureate DNP – Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (75 credits) | Post-Baccalaureate Core Courses (39 credits)  
Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Core Courses (36 credits) |
| Post-Master’s DNP – General Plan (32 credits) | Post-Master’s Core Courses (32 credits) |
| Post-Master’s DNP – Advanced Population Health (56 credits) | Post-Master’s Core Courses (32 credits)  
Advanced Population Core Courses (24 credits) |
| Post-Master’s DNP – Family Nurse Practitioner (59 – 68 credits) | Post-Master’s Core Courses (32 credits)  
Family Nurse Practitioner Core Courses (30 credits)  
NURS 562, NURS 563, and NURS 581 if equivalent not completed as part of Master’s degree (9 credits) |
| Post-Master’s DNP – Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (59 – 68 credits) | Post-Master’s Core Courses (32 credits)  
Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Core Courses |
| (30 credits) | NURS 562, NURS 563, and NURS 581 if equivalent not completed as part of Master's degree (9 credits) |
POST-BACCALAUREATE DNP CORE COURSES (39 credits – minimum 420 clinical/practicum hours)
NURS 503 - Scientific Inquiry in Nursing - 2 credits
NURS 504 - Methods of Nursing Research & Evidence-Based Practice - 3 credits
NURS 518 - Translating Evidence into Advanced Practice - 3 credits
NURS 526 - Analytical Foundations for Health Sciences – 3 credits
NURS 553 - Practicum in Organizational Systems & Leadership – 3 credits – Minimum of 90 practicum hours required
NURS 554 - Epidemiology & Biostatistics for Advanced Practice - 3 credits
NURS 557 - Concepts of Practice Transformation - 3 credits
NURS 558 - DNP Project I: Data Collection & Program Design - 3 credits
NURS 559 - DNP Project II: Implementation, Evaluation, Dissemination - 3 credits
NURS 565 - Information Management for Clinical Practice - 3 credits
NURS 576 - Organizational Systems & Leadership - 3 credits
NURS 581 - Advanced Physiology & Pathophysiology - 3 credits
NURS 591 - Mixed Methods for Program Planning, Implementation & Outcome Evaluation - 3 credits

POST-BACCALAUREATE DNP SPECIALTY TRACK COURSES
Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) Courses (36 credits – minimum 600 clinical/practicum hours)
NURS 508 - Diagnostics and Procedures for Primary Care Practice - 2 credits
NURS 509 - Clinical Management of Common Acute Conditions in Primary Care – 3 credits
NURS 513 - Primary Care I: Health Promotion, Disease Prevention, and Disease Detection – 3 credits
NURS 514 - Primary Care Practicum I - 2 credits; Minimum of 120 practicum hours
NURS 515 - Primary Care II: Acute Health Conditions – 3 credits
NURS 516 - Primary Care Practicum II - 2 credits; Minimum of 120 practicum hours
NURS 537 - Primary Care III: Chronic & Complex Health Conditions – 3 credits
NURS 538 - Primary Care Practicum III – 3 credits; Minimum 180 practicum hours
NURS 540 - Internship: Practicum in Advancing the Primary Care Role – 3 credits; Minimum 180 practicum hours
NURS 562 - Advanced Health Assessment & Differential Diagnosis – 3 credits
NURS 563 - Advanced Pharmacology Concepts & Practice – 3 credits
NURS 573 - Rational Prescribing – 3 credits
NURS 581 - Advanced Physiology & Pathophysiology – 3 credits

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Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) Courses (24 credits – minimum 525 clinical/practicum hours)

TO BE ADDED

NURS 561
NURS 501
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NURS 544
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NURS 555
NURS 560
NURS 582
NURS 562
NURS 563
NURS 581

POST-MASTER’s DNP CORE COURSES (minimum 32 credits)

NURS 518 - Translating Evidence into Advanced Practice - 3 credits
NURS 526 - Analytical Foundations for Health Sciences – 3 credits
NURS 554 - Epidemiology & Biostatistics for Advanced Practice - 3 credits
NURS 557 - Concepts of Practice Transformation - 3 credits
NURS 558 – DNP Project I: Data Collection & Program Design - 3 credits
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NURS 576 - Organizational Systems & Leadership - 3 credits
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NURS 591 - Mixed Methods for Program Planning, Implementation & Outcome Evaluation - 3 credits
Elective – 2 credits

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NOTES:

1. DNP students must complete 1,000 post-baccalaureate hours in a clinical or practicum setting. Post-Master’s students will be advised individually about the number of credits and hours required based on the hours they may have completed in a Master’s program.

2. Post-Master’s students who are adding a specialty (FNP, PMHNP, or APH) will also complete the Post-Baccalaureate DNP Specialty Track courses.

3. Students may be able to transfer some Master’s-level courses to WSU, allowing the substitution or waiver of some credits required for the Post-Master’s DNP degree.