

Plan of Study Post-Master’s to DNP Program: Executive Health Systems Leadership- Spring 2026

2026 Spring 1 (Jan. – May) - Semester 1	Credit Hours	Clinical Hours
NGR 7769 DNP Roles & Leadership within Complex HC Environments	3	
NGR6733 Executive Leadership for Complex Health Systems	2	
NGR 5846 Biostatistics (course can be waived with prior, comparable course)	3	
Total Semester Hours	8	
2026 Summer 1 (May – Aug.) - Semester 2		
NGR 6811 Theory and Evidence-Based Practice Scholarship	2	
LAW 6548 Employment Law (co-listed with COL)	3	
NGR 6944I Practicum 1.0	3	180
Total Semester Hours	8	
2026 Fall 1 (Aug. – Dec.) - Semester 3		
NGR 6853 Translation of Evidence for Practice	3	
NGR 6702 Influencing Change in Healthcare Quality and Safety	3	
NGR 6723L* Executive Health Systems Leadership Practicum II	3	*180
Total Semester Hours	9	
2027 Spring 2 (Jan. – May) - Semester 4		
NGR 6826 Methods of Program Evaluation & Quality Improvement	3	
NGR 6722 Finance & Business Acumen for Nurse Executives	3	
Total Semester Hours	6	
2027 Summer 2 (May – Aug.) - Semester 5		
NGR 6895 Policy, Legal and Ethical Complexities in Healthcare	3	
NGR 6931C DNP Project Planning & Application	3	60
Total Semester Hours	6	
2027 Fall 2 (Aug. – Dec.) - Semester 6		
NGR6935C DNP Project Implementation, Evaluation & Dissemination	3	60
LAW 6725 Medical Malpractice Law (co-listed with COL)	3	
NGR 6949 EHSL Immersion Practicum	2	*120
Total Semester Hours	8	
Total Program Credit Hours	45	
Total Program Clinical Hours		600

ALL STUDENTS MUST FOLLOW THIS PLAN (*Plan of study may change at the discretion of the Graduate Program)
 Per the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN), all DNP students must complete a minimum of 1,000 post-baccalaureate clinical hours for degree conferral (AACN, 2006; 2021); the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) upholds this requirement as part of its accreditation standards. Validated clinical hours completed at another accredited institution will be considered toward this total and will determine a student's final Plan of Study.

****Students interested in pursuing the dual COL certificate must apply BEFORE completing the second COL class in this curriculum. Please email your track coordinator for questions.**