Adult-Gerontology Clinical Nurse Specialist
Doctor of Nursing Practice
Curriculum: Class of 2019
(2016-2019)

Course #	Nursing Core Courses	Credits
GSN701	Advanced Practice Role	1
GSN702A	Organizational and Systems Leadership in Healthcare	3
GSN703	Ethics and Policy in Federal Health Systems	3
GSN704	Population Health and Epidemiology in Advanced Practice	4
GSN705	Healthcare Economics and Advanced Practice	2
GSN706	Healthcare Informatics	3
GSN900	Healthcare Research	1
GSN901A	Evidence Based Practice	2
GSN902	Statistical Measures & Analytical Methods: Application and Critique	2
GSN903	Translating Evidence Into Practice	3
GSN906	Doctor of Nursing Practice Project	6
	DNP Nursing Core Total	*30*

Course #	Advanced Practice Core Courses	Credits
GSN601	Advanced Anatomy	3
GSN602	Advanced Health Assessment	3
GSN603	Advanced Physiology	3
GSN606	Advanced Pathophysiology I	2
GSN608	Advanced Pathophysiology II	2
GSN607	Advanced Pharmacology I	2
GSN609	Advanced Pharmacology II	2
GSN710	Bedside Ultrasonography	1
GSN711	Integrative Medicine Methodologies	1
GSN723	Reflective Practice: Contextual Thinking	1
	DNP APN Core Total	*20*

Course #	AGCNS Role/Population Specific Courses	Credits
GSN708	Advanced Diagnosis and Management in Adult Primary Care	5
GSN709	Advanced Diagnosis and Management in Geriatric Primary Care	1
CNS600A	Principles in Outcomes Management	2
CNS601A	CNS Role Application across the 3 Spheres of Influence	3
CNS603	Business Administration for High Reliable Healthcare Organizations	3
CNS605	Medical Facility Design: Maximizing Patient Outcomes	2
CNS606A	Trauma Management in CNS Practice	3
CNS610A	Advanced Diagnosis and Management in Adult-Geriatric Acute Care	3
CNS608	Performance Metrics in Outcomes Management	3
CNS802	DNP Practicum for CNS Practice I: Advanced Concepts for CNS Independent Practice	4
CNS803	DNP Practicum for CNS Practice II: Systems Assessment for High Reliable Organizations	4
CNS804	DNP Practicum for CNS Practice III: Strategic Planning in Healthcare	3
CNS805	DNP Practicum for CNS Practice IV: Capstone Immersion for CNS Independent Practice	6
GSN810E	Operational Readiness: Critical Care Air Transport Teams (CCATT)	1
GSN810F	Operational Readiness: Transitions of Care	1
GSN810G	Operational Readiness: Medical Management of Chemical & Biological Casualties	1
	*** ATLS, TCCC, ACLS, ATCN or TNCC (Certifications)*	--
	AG-CNS Role/Population Specific Total	*45*
	TOTAL CREDITS	*95*

**Approximation of Clinical Hours Distribution:

Wellness/Primary Care - Acute Care Continuum:	*342 clinical hours (21%)*
CNS Role across 3 Spheres of Influence:	*602 clinical hours (37%)*
Systems-based Scholarly Project:	*276 clinical hours (17%)*
CNS practice within the Perioperative Continuum:	*399 clinical hours (25%)*

Perioperative specialty content is woven within multiple courses across the 3-year program and is highlighted within the course descriptions where this content is included. The implementation, timing of course offerings may vary depending on availability of clinical sites, adjunct faculty, USU resources and opportunities for interdisciplinary collaboration. Curriculum adjustments may be made throughout this program to meet any changes in national standards.