

DNP Essential Competencies & Program Learning Outcomes

DNP Essential Competency (AACN, DNP Essentials 2006)	ADNP Program Outcomes
1. Scientific Underpinnings for Practice	PLO1: Integrate nursing science with biomedical knowledge and evidence-based interprofessional best practices for the highest level of nursing practice.
2. Organizational and Systems Leadership for Quality Improvement and Systems Thinking	PLO2: Provide leadership for the organization, delivery, quality, safety, sustainability, accountability, responsiveness, and continuous improvement in healthcare
3. Clinical Scholarship and Analytical Methods for Evidence-Based Practice	PLO3: Translate evidence into practice, evaluate practice, improve outcomes of care, and participate in collaborative research
4. Information Systems/Technology and Patient Care Technology for the Improvement and Transformation of Health Care	PLO4: Identify, appraise, implement, and evaluate information technology and systems to provide and improve care.
5. Health Care Policy for Advocacy in Health Care	PLO5: Design, advocate, and implement health care policy to support equitable and inclusive health care access, financing, regulation, safety, quality, and efficacy.
6. Interprofessional Collaboration for Improving Patient and Population Health Outcomes	PLO6: Provide leadership to facilitate collaborative team functioning and interprofessional practice to improve healthcare outcomes.
7. Clinical Prevention and Population Health for Improving the Nation's Health	PLO7: Analyze health risks within the biological, environmental, cultural, and socioeconomic determinants of health to develop, implement, and evaluate clinical prevention measures to improve population health.
8. Advanced Nursing Practice	PLO8: Practice in a specialty role using advanced levels of clinical judgment, systems thinking, accountability, and innovation to design, deliver, and evaluate evidence-based care to improve healthcare outcomes.