

**Cover/Signature Page - Abbreviated Template/Abbreviated Template with Curriculum**

Institution Submitting Request: *University of Utah*  
 Proposed Title: *Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner*  
 Currently Approved Title: *NA*  
 School or Division or Location: *College of Nursing*  
 Department(s) or Area(s) Location: *University of Utah College of Nursing*  
 Recommended Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) Code<sup>1</sup> (for new programs): *00.0000*  
 Current Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) Code (for existing programs): *51.1610*  
 Proposed Beginning Date (for new programs): *RETRO 08/01/2013*  
 Institutional Board of Trustees' Approval Date:  
 Proposal Type (check all that apply):

Regents' General Consent Calendar Items		
<i>R401-5 OCHE Review and Recommendation; Approval on General Consent Calendar</i>		
SECTION NO.		ITEM
5.1.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Minor*
5.1.2	<input type="checkbox"/>	Emphasis*
5.2.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	(CER P) Certificate of Proficiency*
5.2.3	<input type="checkbox"/>	(GCR) Graduate Certificate*
5.4.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	New Administrative Unit
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Administrative Unit Transfer
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Administrative Unit Restructure
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Administrative Unit Consolidation
5.4.2	<input type="checkbox"/>	Conditional Three-Year Approval for New Centers, Institutes, or Bureaus
5.4.3	<input type="checkbox"/>	New Center
	<input type="checkbox"/>	New Institute
	<input type="checkbox"/>	New Bureau
5.5.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Out-of-Service Area Delivery of Programs
5.5.2	X	Program Transfer
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Program Restructure
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Program Consolidation
5.5.3	<input type="checkbox"/>	Name Change of Existing Programs
5.5.4	<input type="checkbox"/>	Program Discontinuation
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Program Suspension
5.5.5	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reinstatement of Previously Suspended Program
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reinstatement of Previously Suspended Administrative Unit

*\*Requires "Section V: Program Curriculum" of Abbreviated Template*

**Chief Academic Officer (or Designee) Signature:**

I certify that all required institutional approvals have been obtained prior to submitting this request to the Office of the Commissioner.



**Signature**

**Date:** 3/17/2014

**Printed Name:**

Katherine Morgan DNP  
 Executive Director MS and DNP Programs

<sup>1</sup> CIP codes must be recommended by the submitting institution. For CIP code classifications, please see <http://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/Default.aspx?y=55>.

**Program Request - Abbreviated Template**  
**College of Nursing – University of Utah**  
**Doctor of Nursing Practice – Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner**  
*08/01/2013*

**Section I: Request**

The College of Nursing (NURS) at the University of Utah proposes that the following emphasis be transferred from a Master's of Science (MS) degree to the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree and transcribed as such.

Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner

The DNP degree will soon be the required degree for clinically practicing advanced practice nurses (APRNs). The American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) has mandated that the current level of preparation necessary for advanced nursing practice be moved from the master's degree to the doctoral level by the year 2015. The Institute of Medicine's 2002 report on Health Professions Education recommended strategies for restructuring all clinical education in the health professions to be consistent with the principles of 21<sup>st</sup> century health systems. These recommendations stress that health science students and all working professionals develop and maintain proficiency in 5 core areas: delivering patient-centered care, working as part of interdisciplinary teams, practicing evidence-based medicine, focusing on quality improvement, and using information technology. In compliance with these national standards, The University of Utah College of Nursing has led the State of Utah and Intermountain West by designing curriculum and programs of study so that the DNP is the terminal degree for nursing students who study advanced practice.

Doctoral level education prepares individuals for advanced nursing roles in a variety of specialty tracks. Graduates with a Doctor of Nursing Practice will:

- Use advanced knowledge and skills to develop/implement an advanced nursing role in a specialized area.
- Integrate advanced knowledge and skills to provide high quality care for individuals, families, and population groups.
- Exercise leadership to influence positively the development, implementation, and evaluation of health care delivery and health policy.
- Demonstrate professionalism as evidenced by participation and leadership in professional organizations, community service, and commitment to lifelong learning.
- Promote interdisciplinary collaboration toward the improvement of health care delivery, education, research, and service.

DNP Requirements include the following:

- 9 semesters of full-time study
- Estimated 75 to 90 credits (from one of the specialty tracks)
- Approximately 1000 hours of practicum and residency experience

All students who are currently in the Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner emphasis as a Master's of Science degree will be grandfathered to continue their education and receive the Master of Science degree with an emphasis in Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner. The last cohort of students to enter the Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner emphasis as a Master's of Science degree began the program Fall 2013.

The College of Nursing accepted the first cohort of Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner emphasis as a Doctor of Nursing Practice degree Fall 2013. Therefore we are asking for a retroactive approval for this emphasis.

### Section II: Need

Changing the Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner emphasis from a Master's of Science degree to a Doctor of Nursing Practice degree keeps the University of Utah, College of Nursing within the mandate from the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN).

### Section III: Institutional Impact

This area of emphasis was originally set up as a Master in Science degree. It has currently been modified and approved by the College of Nursing Masters and DNP Curriculum Committee to include the requirements for a Doctor of Nursing Practice degree. This area of emphasis has been in place for the Master of Science. Therefore, adding this area of emphasis as a DNP degree will have no impact to the College of Nursing or the University of Utah.

### Section IV: Finances

There will be no financial impact on the College of Nursing or the University of Utah. Adding this area of emphasis will allow for more efficient and accurate record keeping for the purposes of student services, accreditation, and grant writing.

### Section V: Program Curriculum

\*\*\*THIS SECTION OF THE TEMPLATE REQUIRED FOR EMPHASES, MINORS, AND CERTIFICATES ONLY\*\*\*

All Program Courses (with New Courses in Bold)

Course Prefix and Number	Title	Credit Hours
Required Courses		

Course Prefix and Number	Title	Credit Hours
NURS 6000	Evidence Based Practice I (3)	
NURS 6007	Advanced Pathophysiology Across the Lifespan (2)	
NURS 6060	US Health Care: Systems & Policy (3)	
NURS 6300	Foundations of Individual Psychotherapy (3)	
NURS 6004	Introduction to Information & Information Tech (3)	
NURS 6310	Mood and Anxiety Disorders (2)	
NURS 6316	Child/Adolescent Mental Health Assessment and Treatment (2)	
NURS 6355	Advanced Pathophysiology of Mental Illness (3)	
NURS 6001	Professional Role and Collaboration (2)	
NURS 6006	Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics Across the Lifespan (1)	
NURS 6772	Quality Improvement in Health Care (3)	
NURS 7020	Advanced Physical Assessment & Health Promotion Across the Lifespan (3)	
NURS 6240	Clinical Genetics (2)	
NURS 7025	Introduction to Epidemiology & Population Science (3)	
NURS 7340	Group & Family Therapy (3)	
NURS 7360	Mental Health Assessment & Therapeutic Modalities in the Elderly (2)	
NURS 6322	Serious & Persistent Mental Illnesses (3)	
NURS 7320	Psychiatric/Mental Health Practicum I (4)	
NURS 7500	Evidence-Based Practice II (3)	
Alcohol/Drug Ut School	on Alcohol & Other Drug Dependencies (2)	
NURS 6369	Advanced Psychopharmacology (3)	
NURS 7325	Psychiatric/Mental Health Practicum II (4)	
NURS 7701	DNP Scholarly Project I (3)	
NURS 7015	Leadership & Advocacy (3)	
NURS 7330	Psychiatric/Mental Health Practicum III (4)	
NURS 7361	Advanced Topics in Mental Health (2)	
NURS 7702	DNP Scholarly Project II (2)	
UUHSC 6700	IPE Simulation of Ambulatory Patient Care (.5)	
UUHSC 6800	IPE Disaster Preparedness & Response (.5)	
NURS 7335	Psychiatric/Mental Health Practicum IV (4)	
NURS 7510	Social Context of Medicine & Public Health (3)	
NURS 7703	DNP Scholarly Project III (2)	
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>82</b>
Elective Courses		
<b>None</b>		<b>Sub-Total</b>
Track/Options (if applicable)		
<b>None</b>		<b>Sub-Total</b>
	<b>Total Number of Credits</b>	<b>82</b>

## **Program Schedule**

### **Fall**

NURS 6000 Evidence Based Practice I  
NURS 6007 Advanced Pathophysiology Across the Lifespan  
NURS 6060 US Health Care: Systems & Policy  
NURS 6300 Foundations of Individual Psychotherapy

### **Spring**

NURS 6004 Introduction to Information & Information Tech  
NURS 6310 Mood and Anxiety Disorders  
NURS 6316 Child/Adolescent Mental Health Assessment and Treatment  
NURS 6355 Advanced Pathophysiology of Mental Illness

### **Summer**

NURS 6001 Professional Role and Collaboration  
NURS 6006 Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics Across the Lifespan  
NURS 6772 Quality Improvement in Health Care  
NURS 7020 Advanced Physical Assessment & Health Promotion Across the Lifespan

### **Fall**

NURS 6240 Clinical Genetics  
NURS 7025 Introduction to Epidemiology & Population Science  
NURS 7340 Group & Family Therapy  
NURS 7360 Mental Health Assessment & Therapeutic Modalities in the Elderly

### **Spring**

NURS 6322 Serious & Persistent Mental Illnesses  
NURS 7320 Psychiatric/Mental Health Practicum I  
NURS 7500 Evidence-Based Practice II

### **Summer**

Alcohol/Drug Ut School on Alcohol & Other Drug Dependencies  
NURS 6369 Advanced Psychopharmacology  
NURS 7325 Psychiatric/Mental Health Practicum  
NURS 7701 DNP Scholarly Project I

### **Fall**

NURS 7015 Leadership & Advocacy  
NURS 7330 Psychiatric/Mental Health Practicum III  
NURS 7361 Advanced Topics in Mental Health  
NURS 7702 DNP Scholarly Project II  
UUHSC 6700 IPE Simulation of Ambulatory Patient Care  
UUHSC 6800 IPE Disaster Preparedness & Response

### **Spring**

NURS 7335 Psychiatric/Mental Health Practicum IV  
NURS 7510 Social Context of Medicine & Public Health  
NURS 7703 DNP Scholarly Project III