NORTHWESTERN STATE

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA
College of Nursing

DNP Program Effectiveness: Program Outcomes

*Currently the DNP program does not prepare students for licensure or certification

DNP COMPLETION RATES

Completion Rates: Expected Level of Achievement (ELA) is that each calendar year 70%, or more, of students complete the program within 200% of curriculum time when excluding students who have identified factors such as family obligations, relocation, financial barriers, and decisions to change major or to transfer to another institution of higher education.

Cohort Year	Calendar Year	% (n) of Students Completing within 200% of Time	ELA Met or Not Met
+	2017	N/A	N/A
2014	2018	100% (n=13)	Met
2015	2019	83% (n=6)	Met

+200% program completion time had not occurred by end of Calendar Year 2017.

DNP EMPLOYMENT RATES

Employment Rates: Expected Level of Achievement (ELA) is that 70% of completers will be employed within 12 months of program completion.

Graduation Year	% (n) Employed	ELA Met or Not Met
2017	100% (n=6)	Met
2018	100% (n=7)	Met
2019	100% (n=10)	Met

DNP SATISFACTION DATA

Alumni Satisfaction: Expected Level of Achievement (ELA) is that alumni (who are one-year post-completion) will rate each category of the *Alumni Satisfaction Survey* as 3.0 or higher*.

Questions How satisfied are you that the DNP program prepared you to:	2017 Alumni (2016 Completers) n=8	2018 Alumni (2017 Completers) n=4	2019 Alumni (2018 Completers) n=4	ELA Met or Not Met
	Mean Score			
Integrate nursing science with knowledge from ethics, biophysical, psychosocial, analytical, and organizational sciences as the foundation for the highest level of nursing practice.	4.0	4.0	3.5	Met

Questions How satisfied are you that the DNP program prepared you to:	2017 Alumni (2016 Completers) n=8	2018 Alumni (2017 Completers) n=4	2019 Alumni (2018 Completers) n=4	ELA Met or Not Met
	Mean Score			
Critically analyze health care delivery models based on contemporary nursing science and organizational and systems perspectives to eliminate health disparities and promote patient safety and excellence in practice.	4.0	4.0	3.5	Met
Systematically appraise existing literature, outcomes of practice, practice patterns, systems of care, and health organizations to design and generate best practice evidence to improve practice and health care outcomes.	4.0	4.0	3.75	Met
Utilize information systems technology to implement and evaluate healthcare resources, quality improvement initiatives, and programs of care that support practice decisions.	4.0	4.0	3.5	Met
Advocate for health care policy which addresses social justice and equity in all health care settings.	4.0	4.0	3.75	Met
Employ consultative and leadership skills to function on inter-and intra-professional multidisciplinary teams that work collaboratively to improve vulnerable populations' health outcomes.	4.0	4.0	3.75	Met
Synthesize data relevant to clinical prevention and health promotion for individuals, aggregates, and populations to guide implementation of the highest level of nursing practice.	4.0	4.0	3.75	Met
Demonstrate advanced practice expertise, specialized knowledge, and expanded responsibility and accountability in the care, management, and evaluation of individuals, families, and communities in a specialty practice area within the domain of nursing.	4.0	4.0	3.5	Met
Overall, how satisfied are you with the DNP degree you earned at NSU?	4.0	4.0	3.25	Met