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DNP Student Portfolio Guidelines

Purpose

The purpose of the DNP portfolio it to provide an opportunity for the student to highlight specific documents or exemplars that illustrate that they have achieved the DNP Program goals, their Track Specific Specialty program goals and the AACN 2021 competencies along with specialty competencies.

Portfolio Content

The portfolio will include a list of specific required documents and one exemplar per AACN domain that the student selects to illustrate their expertise.

Structured Portfolio Requirements

Student will submit the following individual assignments/required documents to their portfolio:

Introduction

Create in NUR 905. Your introduction will build the foundation for the portfolio and show how it illustrates the trajectory of your clinical scholarship. Begin with a discussion of where you began the program - your initial interests and plans. Include a concise discussion of your area of specialization.

Assignment from NUR 905: CV (using CON DNP CV template) and Professional Development presentation

Assignment from NUR 915: Integrative Literature Review

Assignment from NUR 919: Clinical Practice or System Change Initiative Assignment

Assignment from NUR 778: Health Policy Analysis Paper

Assignment from NUR 909: DNP project proposal

Assignment from NUR 918: PDF of IRB Application

Assignments from NUR 910-2

- DNP project paper, DNP project slides and DNP project poster
- Conclusion: Write a short statement that reflects back to your DNP admission goal statement. Were you able to accomplish your learning goals as a DNP student? The conclusion should wrap up your portfolio and look toward the future. Start by reflecting on your role as a DNP-prepared nurse. How do you visualize your role? How will you influence practice as a DNP-prepared nurse? What are your next steps as a practitioner and scholar?
- Mapping/Competency document per student
- Clinical log reflecting direct care hours for NPs (indirect for Leadership students). (1 credit = 60 clock hours).

Unstructured Portfolio Requirements

In addition to the above "Structured Portfolio Requirements," students are to select one exemplar per AACN domain to submit to their portfolio (except for Domains 4 and 5 covered in the structured portfolio section). Develop a brief table that includes the title of the Essentials Domain, a three or four sentence statement that describes the themes or essence of the domain, the tile of the assignment and the course where the assignment was completed and a summary that addresses/discusses how the assignment exemplar you are uploading shows how you demonstrate behaviors illustrative of the specific competencies outlined in the domain. If you are uploading/using an assignment done in a group as your exemplar describe what part of the group assignment you completed and how your work is illustrative of the domain competencies.

General Guidelines

- Students may include group assignments for the unstructured portfolio exemplars.
- Exemplars are to be used no more than twice in the student's portfolio.

Example Table

DOMAIN	ITEMS TO BE IDENTIFIED	COMPLETED BY STUDENT
Domain 1 Knowledge for Nursing Practice	 Domain Overview or Description of Themes/Essence of Domain 	
	Assignment Name and Course	
Complete as part of Tier Two Competencies	 How Assignment Shows that you demonstrate behaviors illustrative of specific domain competencies. For group assignments describe what part of the group assignment you completed and how your work is illustrative of the domain competencies. 	
Domain 2 Person-Centered Care	 Domain Overview or Description of Themes/Essence of Domain 	
Complete as part of Tier	Assignment Name and Course	
Three Competencies	 How Assignment Shows that you demonstrate behaviors illustrative of specific domain competencies. For group assignments describe what part of the group assignment you completed and how your work is illustrative of the domain competencies. 	
Domain 3 Population Health	 Domain Overview or Description of Themes/Essence of Domain 	
Complete as part of Tier	Assignment Name and Course	
Three Competencies	 How Assignment Shows that you demonstrate behaviors illustrative of specific domain competencies. For group assignments describe what part of the group assignment you completed and how your work is illustrative of the domain competencies. 	
Domain 4 Scholarship for the Nursing Discipline	Addressed as part of Structured Portfolio	
Domain 5 Quality & Safety	 Addressed as part of Structured Portfolio 	

DOMAIN	ITEMS TO BE IDENTIFIED	COMPLETED BY STUDENT
Domain 6 Interprofessional Partnerships	 Domain Overview or Description of Themes/Essence of Domain 	
	Assignment Name and Course	
Complete as part of Tier Four Competencies, end of Program	 How Assignment Shows that you demonstrate behaviors illustrative of specific domain competencies. For group assignments describe what part of the group assignment you completed and how your work is illustrative of the domain competencies. 	
Domain 7 System-Based Practice	 Domain Overview or Description of Themes/Essence of Domain 	
Complete as part of Tier Four Competencies, end of Program	Assignment Name and Course	
	How Assignment Shows that you demonstrate behaviors illustrative of specific domain competencies. For group assignments describe what part of the group assignment you completed and how your work is illustrative of the domain competencies.	
Domain 8 Informatics & Healthcare Technologies Complete as part of Tier Two Competencies	 Domain Overview or Description of Themes/Essence of Domain 	
	Assignment Name and Course	
	 How Assignment Shows that you demonstrate behaviors illustrative of specific domain competencies. For group assignments describe what part of the group assignment you completed and how your work is illustrative of the domain competencies. 	
Domain 9 Professionalism	 Domain Overview or Description of Themes/Essence of Domain 	
Complete as part of Tier Four Competencies, end of Program	Assignment Name and Course	
	How Assignment Shows that you demonstrate behaviors illustrative of specific domain competencies. For group assignments describe what part of the group assignment you completed and how your work is illustrative of the domain competencies.	
Domain 10 Personal, Professional & Leadership Development Complete as part of Tier Four Competencies, end of Program	 Domain Overview or Description of Themes/Essence of Domain 	
	Assignment Name and Course	
	How Assignment Shows that you demonstrate behaviors illustrative of specific domain competencies. For group assignments describe what part of the group assignment you completed and how your work is illustrative of the domain competencies.	