

## **DNP Scholarly Project Conflict of Interest Guidelines**

The DNP is a practice doctorate that supports clinical practice in administration, organizational management, leadership and policy.

As a member of an interdisciplinary team emphasizing evidence-based practice and quality improvement approaches, the graduate of the DNP will help to explore and solve critical leadership, policy and clinical practice issues.

The purpose of the DNP Scholarly Project is to demonstrate critical analysis and synthesis of scientific evidence for application to practice, and the creation of new knowledge for evidence-based practice (EBP), the essence of scholarship for the DNP. Graduates of the DNP program will be the leaders for the translation of research into practice.

The DNP Scholarly Project is carried out in a series of 4 seminar courses (Nur Sci 235, 240, 241, 242) and clinical practicum courses, providing structured content and application. The DNP Scholarly Project courses will occur sequentially and will be held in parallel to the student's DNP clinical practice hours.

A minimum of 1,000 post-baccalaureate practice hours are required as part of the supervised academic program. Practice experiences may include clinical hours in leadership, practice inquiry, quality improvement and policy; part of the fabric of professional preparation for the practice doctorate.

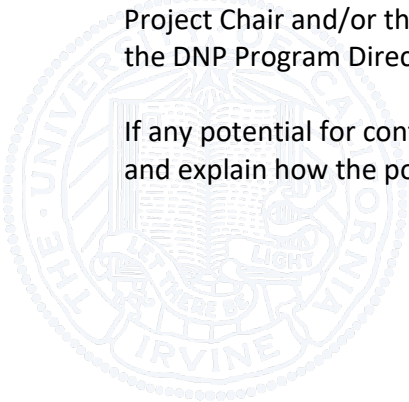
The clinical practice site may be a hospital, a health care system, a public health agency, a clinic, or other healthcare organization. Clinical practice hours may be carried out in the student's place of employment to provide the student the potential benefit of their employer/organization and the support systems and relationships already in place.

### **The line between current employment and clinical practice application hours must be clear.**

A conflict of interest may occur if the student attempts to carry out DNP clinical practice hours during work hours. To avoid confusion, the student's Scholarly Project Clinical Practice Site Mentor and the SON Faculty of Record for the DNP Practicum or DNP APRN Practicum course series will monitor practice hours and sign the attached "DNP Scholarly Project Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form."

If any conflict of interest arises, the student, Clinical Practice Site Mentor, student's Scholarly Project Chair and/or the Faculty of Record for the practicum course should immediately contact the DNP Program Director for guidance.

If any potential for conflict of interest exists, please attach a memo describing the circumstances and explain how the potential conflict of interest will be managed.



**DNP Scholarly Project Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form**

**Directions:** Students must complete this form and acquire all signatures prior to beginning work on their scholarly project at their place of employment. Once form has been approved, students must upload the signed and approved form to Typhon, along with your Clinical Practice Site Mentor's CV/resume.

**Student:**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand the guidelines for clinical practicum hours required in association with the DNP Scholarly Project. These practice hours may be carried out in my place of employment but are not to be done during work hours. The Faculty of Record for the DNP Practicum or DNP APRN Practicum course and the Clinical Practice Site Mentor at my clinical site will supervise my DNP practice hours. I agree and abide by these guidelines.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Clinical Practice Site Mentor:**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have read and understand the guidelines for the UC Irvine DNP clinical practicum hours. These hours will not be accrued during the student's work hours. I will be mentoring (student) \_\_\_\_\_ at (name of institution) \_\_\_\_\_.

Clinical Practice Site Mentor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**DNP Scholarly Project Chair:**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand the guidelines for the DNP clinical practicum hours. The Scholarly Project may be carried out at the student's place of employment but required clinical practice hours may not be accrued during the student's work time or interfere with student's work obligations.

Chair Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**DNP Faculty of Record for DNP Practicum or DNP APRN Practicum course:**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand the guidelines for the DNP clinical practicum hours. The Scholarly Project may be carried out at the student's place of employment but required clinical practice hours may not be accrued during the student's work time or interfere with student's work obligations.

Faculty Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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