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Strategies for Success in Choosing a Program

Doctoral Education for Nurse Faculty

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Initial and Ongoing

- 2004-Position statement on Practice Doctorate
- 2006-DNP Essentials
- 2015-Current issues and clarifying recommendations white paper



Resources

- American Association of Colleges of Nursing
 - <http://www.aacnnursing.org/DNP>
- DNP Essentials
 - <http://www.aacnnursing.org/DNP/DNP-Essentials>
- University of Maryland School of Nursing
 - <http://www.nursing.umaryland.edu/academics/doctoral/dnp/>



**The Essentials of Doctoral Education
for Advanced Nursing Practice**

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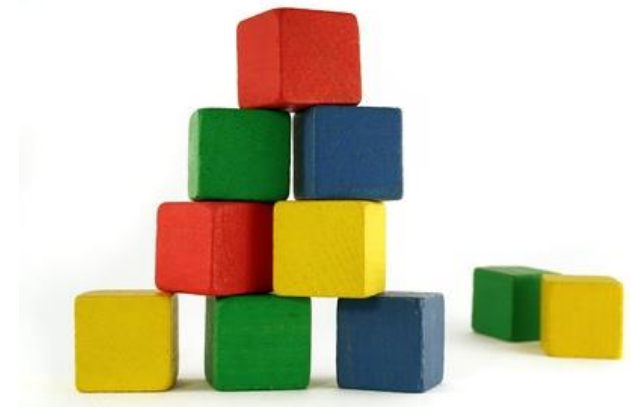
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ADVANCING HIGHER EDUCATION IN NURSING

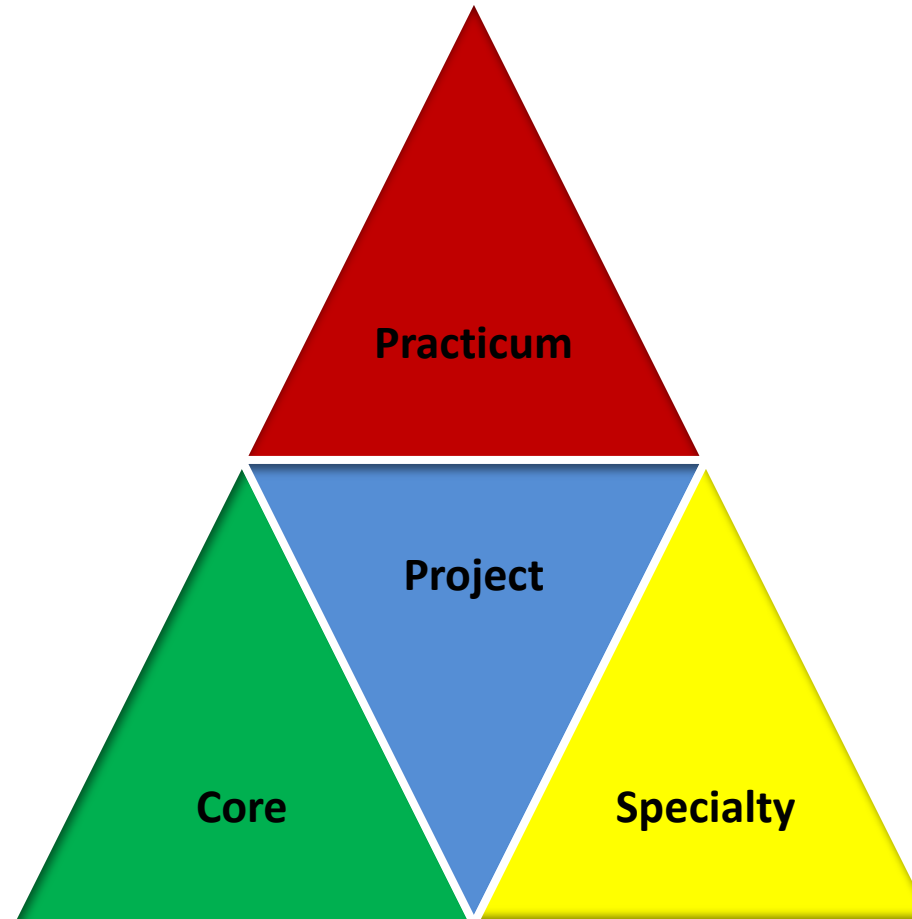
The Essentials

1. Scientific Underpinnings for Practice
2. Organizational and Systems Leadership for Quality Improvement and Systems Thinking
3. Clinical Scholarship and Analytical Methods for EBP
4. Information Systems/Technology and Patient Care Technology for the Improvement and Transformation of Health Care
5. Health care Policy for Advocacy in Health Care
6. Interprofessional Collaboration for Improving Patient and Population Health Outcomes
7. Clinical Prevention and Population Health for Improving the Nation's Health
8. **Advanced Nursing Practice**



DNP Program Elements

- Core Courses
- Specialty Courses
- Project Courses
- Practicum Hours





Pathways

- Post BSN 80-93 credits
- Post Master's with specialty 48-93 credits
 - CRNA
 - Adult/Gero primary or acute
 - Pediatric primary or acute
 - Psychiatric
 - Family
 - Neonatal
- Post Master's without specialty 37+ credits
- Post Doctoral Certificate 13-62 credits

- ***Advanced nursing practice*** is any form of nursing intervention that influences healthcare outcomes for individuals or populations, including the provision of *direct care or management of care* for individual patients or management of care populations, and the provision of *indirect care* such as *nursing administration, executive leadership, health policy, informatics, and population health*.

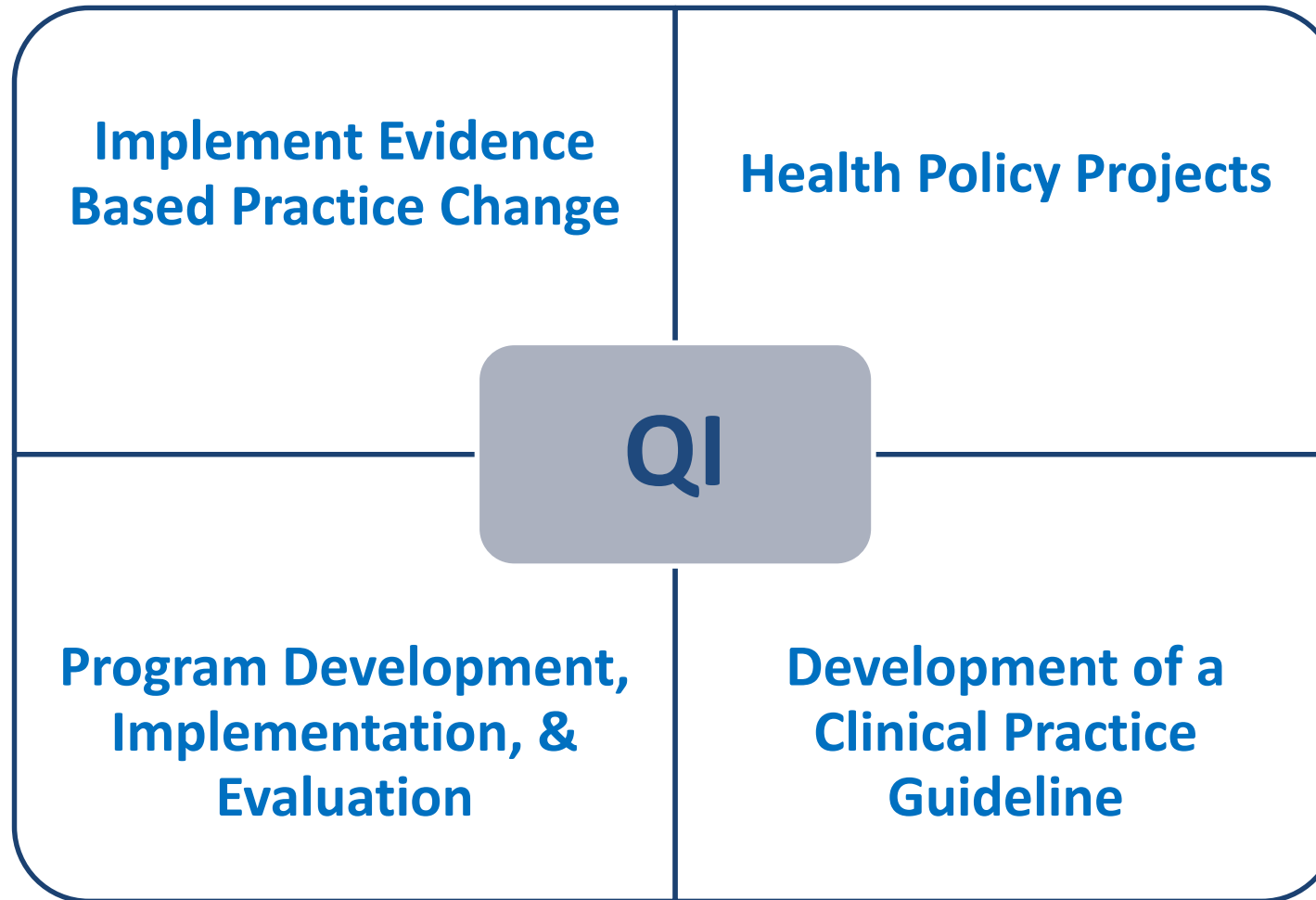
Key Points

1. Advanced nursing practice is not the same as *advanced practice nursing*.
2. *Nursing education* is considered a separate body of knowledge and skill, and not as *advanced nursing practice*.

Options

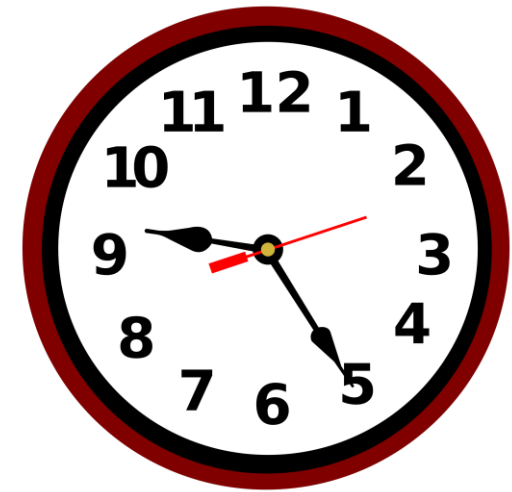
- For applicants with master's in nursing education
 1. Select APN specialty and complete DNP with specialty
 2. Complete a master's certificate in nursing informatics, global health, environmental health
 3. Complete a different certificate with program approval

The Project



The Hours

- 1,000 post-baccalaureate practice hours
- UMSO program includes 500
- 1 credit – 45 practicum hours
- Previous master's program determines # of hours pre-DNP
- Flexibility, variability, specificity, opportunity



Learning experience

- Full-time
- Part-time
- Face-to-face
- Online
- Blended
- On-site
- Remote
- Individual
- Group
- Interprofessional



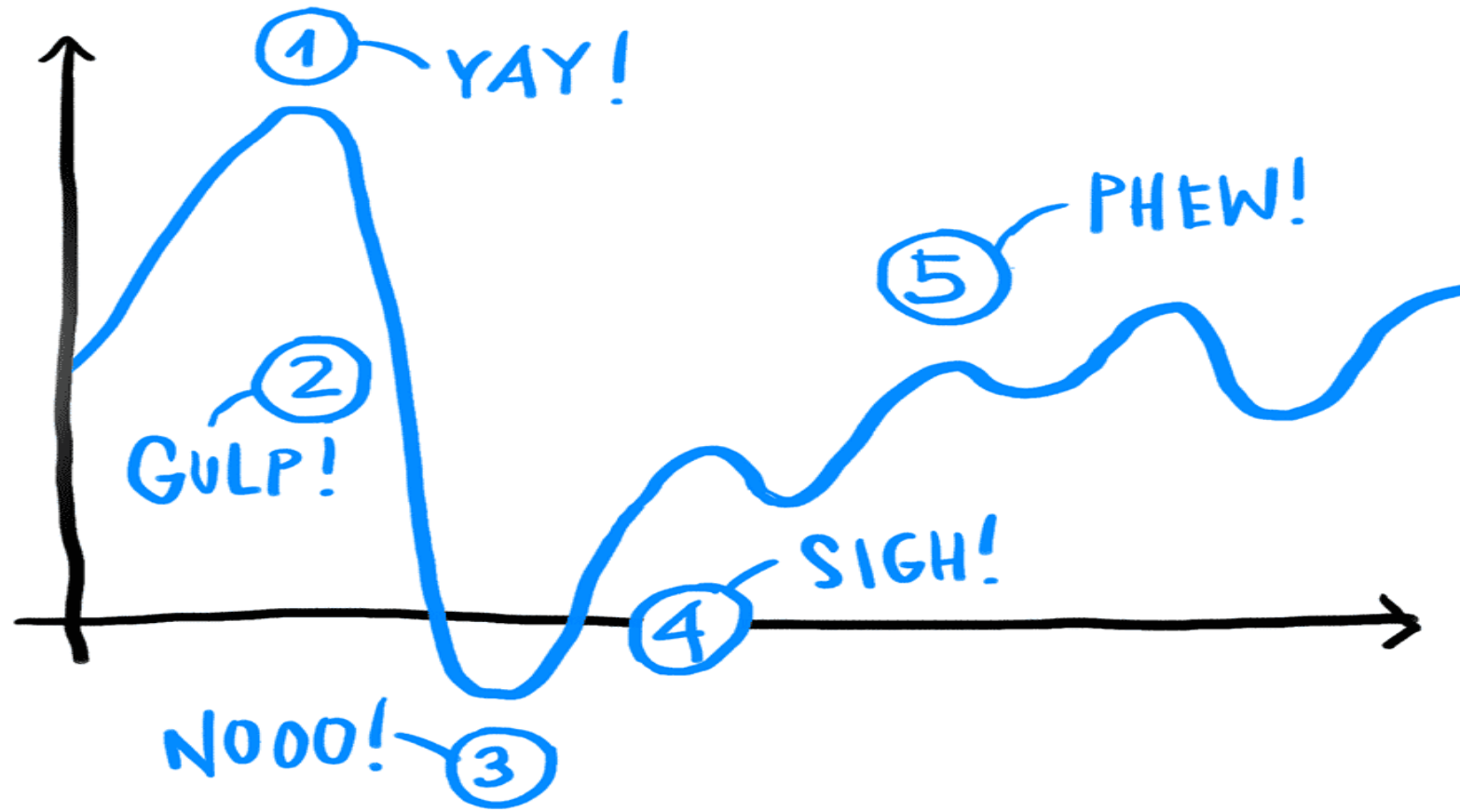
Four Areas of Readiness/Focus

1. Organization
2. Time management
3. Communication
4. Technology

Learning experience

- Stretch and growth
- Going gray (vs. black and white)
- Collaboration with peers and colleagues
- Faculty as facilitators
- Reflection and iterative learning
- Change in perspective
- Writing, writing, writing
- Application of new skills

Learning



Support

- Peers
- Faculty, advisers
- Writing center
- Alumni, colleagues
- Library and librarians
- Family, friends, pets
- Nutrition, exercise, sleep, fun





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