DNP Project Facilitator Guide

Project Phases: Problem Statement, DNP proposal, Implementation and Evaluation

Problem Statement

NSG 609 A: Project Practicum

The focus of this course is conducting a comprehensive and systematic assessment of the context, organization, population, and problem

Semester Outputs:

- Problem statement and purpose that reflects a viable DNP Project
- Literature Review
- Context analysis
- Communication plan between student, facilitator and other key stakeholders

Facilitator Responsibilities:

- Attend initial facilitator/student/advisor meeting early in term to understand project focus, continue meeting with student on a regular basis.
- Ensure DNP problem statement and purpose are aligned with the organizations goals and initiatives.
- Help the student to navigate your organizational system. Introduce student to key stakeholders within organization and/or committees connected to project.
- Support the student to identify data to define a problem. Collaborate with student and advisor/1st reader to develop plan to collect data.
- Review student progress reports.
- Notify Advisor/1st reader of any red flags regarding project development
- Submit facilitator evaluation of student and provide student feedback by of term.
- Expect student to give you a summary of their work at end of term in their progress report.

DNP Proposal

NSG 615 A: DNP Project Proposal Seminar

This seminar focuses on the development of the DNP proposal

Semester Outputs:

- DNP project written proposal and oral presentation (per rubric)
- IRB approval / R118

Facilitator Responsibilities:

- Meet at least monthly with student
- Continue to help student identify key stakeholders in organization
- Notify Advisor/1st reader of any red flags regarding project development
- Review student progress reports
- Ensure DNP proposal is aligned with organization goals and initiatives and resources are available to support student
- Submit facilitator evaluation of student and provide student feedback by of term.

Implementation

NSG 609 B: Project

Course focus is the implementation of a project that is evidenced-based, feasible, and acceptable to key stakeholders

<u>Semester Outputs:</u>

- Implementation and ongoing evaluation of project as proposed
- IRB approval / R118 (If not already done)

Facilitator Responsibilities:

- Meet regularly with student
- Review student progress reports
- Support students to address barriers if they occur
- Monitor for project drift; ensure project is moving along as planned and address issues as needed
- Work with student on a sustainability plan
- Submit facilitator evaluation of student and provide student feedback by of term.
- Remind students to communicate with stakeholders regularly.

Evaluation

NSG 609 C: Project Evaluation & Presentation

The focus of this course is project evaluation and dissemination.

Semester Outputs:

- Completion of DNP project
- Final paper and presentation (per rubric)

<u>Facilitator Responsibilities:</u>

- Meet with student monthly to oversee wrap up of DNP project
- Support student to disseminate DNP project results and recommendations to key stakeholders in organization.
- Discuss external dissemination opportunities through abstract and/or manuscript preparation process.
- Review student progress report.
- Submit facilitator evaluation of student and provide student feedback.