This rubric will guide DNP students in developing a DNP project that positively contributes to nursing and/or healthcare. Students will need to identify and demonstrate a need for the proposed project plan.

The proposed DNP project should meet the expectations listed below as identified in the American Association of College of Nursing *Essentials of Doctoral Education for Advanced Nursing Practice*

* Has a system or population focus
* Demonstrates implementation that positively influences nursing practice and/or healthcare (academic settings excluded)
* Involves an evaluation process or measurable outcomes
1. Students will develop a written plan using the ***DNP Project Proposal Rubric.*** The written summary will include each of the required sections outlined in the ***DNP Project Proposal Rubric***. *The written proposal will be no more than 4 pages, double spaced*.
2. Students will submit their written proposal to the ***DNP Project Review Committee*** by the **due date on the course calendar.**
3. The ***DNP Project Review Committee*** will evaluate each proposal based on the ***DNP Project Proposal Rubric*** and provide students with feedback. Students will receive a MET or NOT MET.
4. Students who receive a MET for their proposal will go onto the next step of developing their plan proposal in collaboration with their assigned faculty mentors.
5. Project plans that receive a NOT MET will include feedback from the committee on which elements were not met with the proposal.
	1. Students will then communicate with their assigned faculty mentors and devise a plan for either modifying the proposed plan or identifying another plan if necessary.
	2. Students will then submit their revised plan to the ***DNP Project Review Committee*** no later than the **due date on the calendar**.
6. Students not receiving approval of their proposed DNP project plan in the **2nd submission** will be required to resubmit to the ***DNP Project Review Committee*** by **the due date on the course calendar for review.**
	1. Following the third submission, if the student does not receive an approval from the ***DNP Project Review Committee*** the student will receive an IP for the course and student will be required to register for 866 in the summer or fall. This may impact the progression in the DNP Curriculum.

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|  |  | Met | Not Met/ Comments |
| Introduction to Problem | * Describe the problem background
* Provide a brief lit review appraising and synthesizing evidence to demonstrate a need and support the proposed project.

Reviewer’s comments to DNP student:  |  |  |
| Purpose Statement | * The purpose statement includes the targeted problem, population, intended outcomes, project setting

Reviewer’s comments to DNP student:*
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| Brief summary of proposed plan | * A written summary of the proposed project is logical, is based on current evidence and the needs assessment

Reviewer’s comments to DNP student:  |  |  |
| Final DNP project approval: Proposed project meets the Essentials of Doctoral Education for Advanced Nursing Practice (posted above) |  |  |
| Reviewers Comments: |