

Curriculum effective Fall 2025 Rev. 6/6/2025

## PhD in Nursing Program Post-Master's/DNP PhD Pathway: 3-Year Plan of Study

Fall Semester Year 1	Cr	Spring Semester Year 1	Cr	Summer Year 1	Cr
Philosophy of Nursing Science and Knowledge Development	3	Theory and Application to Nursing Research	3	Measurement of Health Phenomena	3
Qualitative Research Methods	3	Quantitative Methods in Nursing Research	3	Cognate – writing course	3
Statistics for Nursing Research I	4	Statistics for Nursing Research II	4		
Subtotal Credits	10	Subtotal Credits	10	Subtotal Credits	6

Fall Semester Year 2	Cr	Spring Semester Year 2	Cr	Summer Year 2	Cr
Research practicum	3	Health Equity	3	Dissertation Seminar**	3
Literature Review, Synthesis, & Integration	3	Evidence-Based Policy Development	3	Cognate*	3
Advanced Quantitative OR Qualitative Research course	4	Theory and Application to Nursing Research	3	Begin Dissertation Proposal	
		QUALIFYING EXAM			
Subtotal Credits	10	Subtotal Credits	9	Subtotal Credits	6

Fall Semester Year 3	Cr	Spring Semester Year 3	Cr	Summer Year 3	Cr
Dissertation Research	7	Dissertation Research	7	Dissertation Research	7
DEFEND PROPOSAL				DEFEND DISSERTATION	
Subtotal Credits	7	Subtotal Credits	7	Subtotal Credits	7

Total Minimum Credits = 72

<sup>\*</sup>Students receiving NFLP funds must take the 1) Educational Theory and Practice, and 2) Design of Curriculum courses as SON cognates.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Minimum Dissertation Research credits: 24