

Rutgers PhD in Nursing Program Post-Master's/DNP PhD Pathway : 4-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	Cognate – writing course	3
Qualitative Research Methods	3	Cognate*	3		
Subtotal Credits	6	Subtotal Credits	6	Subtotal Credits	3

Fall Semester Year 2	Cr	Spring Semester Year 2	Cr	Summer Year 2	Cr
Literature Review, Integration, & Synthesis	3	Quantitative Methods in Nursing Research	3	Measurement of Health Phenomena	3
Statistics for Nursing Research I	4	Statistics for Nursing Research II	4	Cognate*	3
Subtotal Credits	7	Subtotal Credits	7	Subtotal Credits	6

Fall Semester Year 3	Cr	Spring Semester Year 3	Cr	Summer Year 3	Cr
Research Practicum	3	Health Equity	3	Dissertation Seminar**	3
Advanced Quantitative OR Qualitative Research course	4	Evidence-Based Policy Development	3	Begin Dissertation Proposal	
		Qualifying Exam			
Subtotal Credits	7	Subtotal Credits	6	Subtotal Credits	3

Fall Semester Year 4	Cr	Spring Semester Year 4	Cr	Summer Year 4	Cr
Dissertation Research DEFEND PROPOSAL	7	Dissertation Research	7	Dissertation Research DEFEND DISSERTATION	7
Subtotal Credits	7	Subtotal Credits	7	Subtotal Credits	7

Total Minimum Credits = 72

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

**Minimum Dissertation Research credits: 24