

Part-Time Plan of Study Prior to Fall 2025

Semester and Course Number/Title	Credits
Fall (PhD Year 1)	
NURS 840: Philosophy of Science and Development of Theory	3
NURS 802: Research and Scholarship Seminar	1
Total:	4
Spring (PhD Year 1)	
NURS 841: Theory and Conceptualization in Nursing Science <i>P: NURS 840</i>	3
NURS 819: Research Rotation**	2
Total:	5
Summer (PhD Year 1)	
NURS xxx: Elective	3
Total:	3
Fall (PhD Year 2)	
NURS 850: Experimental Nursing Research Designs <i>P or C: NURS 840, NURS 851</i>	3
NURS 851: Analysis for Experimental Nursing Research Designs <i>P or C: NURS 840, NURS 850</i>	3
Total:	6
Spring (PhD Year 2)	
NURS 814: Design and Analysis for Non-Experimental Nursing Research <i>P: NURS 850 and NURS 851</i>	3
NURS 815: Qualitative Methods in Nursing Research <i>P: NURS 840</i>	3
Total:	6

Summer (PhD Year 2)	
NURS 818: Research Practicum***	3
Total:	3
Fall (PhD Year 3)	
NURS 811: Measurement of Nursing Phenomena <i>P: NURS 840, NURS 841, NURS 850, NURS 851, NURS 814, NURS 815 and recommend concurrent enrollment in NURS 816 or permission of the instructor</i>	3
NURS 816: Multivariable Modeling Approaches in Health Sciences Research <i>P: NURS 840 or NDNP 804, NURS 841, NURS 850, NURS 851, NURS 814, NURS 815 and recommend concurrent enrollment in NURS 811 or permission of the instructor</i>	4
Total:	7
Spring (PhD Year 3)	
NURS 821: Grant Proposal Writing* <i>P: NURS 840, NURS 850, NURS 851; OR with permission of the instructor</i>	2
NURS 818: Research Practicum***	1
NURS xxx: Elective	3
Total:	6
Summer (PhD Year 3)	
NURS 818: Research Practicum*** <i>P: Completion of 2 credits of NURS 819</i>	2
Total:	2
Fall (PhD Year 4)	
NURS xxx: Elective	3
NURS 899: Dissertation	3
Total:	6

Spring (PhD Year 4)	
NURS xxx: Elective	3
NURS 899: Dissertation	3
Total:	6
Summer (PhD Year 4)	
NURS 899: Dissertation	6
Total:	6
Year 5 and Following	
Remaining dissertation credits to total a minimum of 12 if not taken above	
TOTAL	60

*Grant Proposal Writing: Offered only in spring.

**Research Rotation: A total of 2 research rotation credits are required for all students – 1 credit equals 3 hours/week or 45 hours over the semester.

***Research Practicum: A total of 6 credits of NURS 818 are required – these are intended to focus on the student’s research area where time is spent preparing for comprehensive exams, learning new techniques, conducting preliminary analyses, etc. As with NURS 819, for 1 credit students are expected to devote 45 hours over the semester.

P - Prerequisite

C - Concurrent