



YEAR 1

Fall	Spring	Summer
NURS_ADV 503 Scientific Inquiry in Nursing (2 cr.)	NURS_SCI 536 (PT) Nursing Theory: Foundations for Knowledge Development (3 cr.)	Optional elective or NURS_SCI 800 (1-18 cr.)
NURS_SCI 510 Role of the Nurse Scientist (1)	NURS_SCI 587 Research Inquiry: Qualitative Methods I (3 cr.)	
NURS_SCI 526 (SM) Analytical Foundations for Health Sciences (3 cr.)	Optional elective or NURS_SCI 800 (1-12 cr.)	
NURS_SCI 535 (PT) Philosophy of Nursing Science (3 cr.)		

YEAR 2

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NURS_ADV 504 Evidence-Based Practice (3 cr.)	NURS_SCI 579 (PT) Systems and Organizational Change: Theory and Methods (3 cr.)	Optional elective or NURS_SCI 800 (1-18 cr.)
NURS_SCI 534 Grant Development and Critique (3 cr.)	NURS_SCI 588 (SM) Research Inquiry: Quantitative Methods I (3 cr.)	
NURS_SCI 539 (PT) Advancing Health Equity and Social Justice: Toward Evidence-Informed Solutions (3 cr.)	Optional elective or NURS_SCI 800 (1-12 cr.) or NURS_ADV 521 (NE) Nursing Education: Assessment & Evaluation (3 cr.)	
Optional elective or NURS_SCI 800 (1-12 cr.) or NURS_ADV 523 (NE) Nursing Education: Curriculum Design (3 cr.)		

YEAR 3

Fall	Spring	Summer
NURS_SCI 592 or Independent Study (SM) Advanced Methods for Dissertation (2-3 cr.)	NURS_SCI 800 Doctoral Research, Dissertation, and/or Examination (3 cr.)	NURS_SCI 800 Doctoral Research, Dissertation, and/or Examination (3 cr.)
NURS_SCI 528 (SM) Multivariate Statistical Techniques for Health Sciences (3 cr.)	Optional elective (3 cr.) or NURS_ADV 533 (NE) Nursing Education: Teaching and Learning (3 cr.)	NURS_ADV 585 (NE) Nursing Education: Faculty Role Practicum (1-3 cr.) (If completing the Nurse Educator series)
Optional elective or NURS_SCI 800 (1-12 cr.)	Optional elective or NURS_SCI 800 (1-12 cr.)	
	PRELIMINARY EXAM (no more than 6 graded credits can be completed in this or future semesters together)	ALTERNATIVE SEMESTER FOR PRELIM EXAM

YEAR 4

Fall	Spring
NURS_SCI 800 Doctoral Research, Dissertation, and/or Examination (1-18 cr.)	NURS_SCI 800 Doctoral Research, Dissertation, and/or Examination (1-18 cr.)
	FINAL EXAM Or in subsequent semesters. Must register for a minimum of 2 credits of NURS_SCI 800 in final exam semester.

*Please note this is a sample plan and may not exactly represent your plan upon admission.



Core courses include the following:

- Statistical Methods (SM) Series
- Philosophy/Theory (PT) Series
- Nurse Educator (NE) Series
- NURS_ADV 503, NURS_ADV 504, NURS_SCI 510, NURS_SCI 534, and NURS_SCI 587

Program totals:

- 35-36 credits: Core
- 20 credits: Dissertation (minimum)
- 5 credits: Dissertation or electives
- 12 credits: Nurse ed courses, dissertation, or electives
- **Total Credits: 72 (minimum)**

Please work with your dissertation chair to choose electives and number of NURS_SCI 800 credits to take on a semester-by-semester basis.