



# Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing (PhD)

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The PhD program, focusing on health outcomes and health services research, will involve four years of **full-time** study. It will combine coursework, comprehensive exams and a dissertation. This program will prepare graduates to assume leadership roles in academic and practice settings. Research and scholarly activities will prepare graduates to contribute to nursing practice, the design and delivery of health care, and policy development.

The PhD program will normally involve four years of full-time study consisting of course work (most of it in Year 1), a comprehensive exam and a dissertation. The dissertation requires independent, original research and makes up at least two thirds of the time normally required for the program.

Applicants to the Faculty of Nursing PhD Program are not required to identify a supervisor before beginning the program. Students admitted to the program are assigned a faculty advisor in the first semester of study. Faculty advisors may transition to the role of supervisor. If not, faculty advisors will assist with selection of a supervisor.

## Essential Academic Requirements

- Must have a completed baccalaureate degree in nursing from a recognized university.
- Must have a completed Master's degree in nursing or other relevant discipline from a recognized university.
- Must have current registration in a Canadian jurisdiction with no practice restrictions. Must be registered with the College of Nurses of Ontario prior to registration for thesis credits.
- Have a minimum 77% (B+) average in their Master's program.
- For international students, successful completion of an English Language Proficiency Exam may be required. IELTS—minimum score: 7.0 or Canadian English Language Benchmark Assessment for Nurses (CELBAN): Minimum scores: Writing - 7; Speaking - 8; Listening - 10; Reading - 8.

**Program Intake:** Annually each September

**Application Deadline:** February 1

**Mode of Instruction:** Online

**Application:** [www.uwindsor.ca/graduate](http://www.uwindsor.ca/graduate)

**Program Length:** Four years full-time

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## Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing (PhD) Program Curriculum

PhD Courses	PhD Courses
Milestone—Professional development activities NURS-9100 Philosophy of Science in Nursing (Fall) NURS-9200 Advanced Perspectives in Quantitative Research Methods and Analyses (Fall) NURS-9300 Advanced Perspectives in Qualitative Research (Winter)	NURS-9410 Comprehensive Exam (Winter) NURS-9980 Dissertation (Spring/Summer, Fall and Winter) One graduate level course (Nursing or another faculty) (Spring/Summer)

### Sample: Full-time Student Course Schedule

	Fall	Winter	Spring/Summer
<b>Year 1</b>	NURS-9100 Philosophy of Science in Nursing Milestone—Professional development activities	NURS-9300 Advanced Perspectives in Qualitative Research Milestone—Professional development activities	Graduate level course (Nursing or another faculty)
<b>Year 2</b>	NURS-9200 Advanced Perspectives in Quantitative Research Methods and Analyses	NURS-9410 Comprehensive Exam	NURS-9980 Dissertation
<b>Year 3</b>	NURS-9980 Dissertation	NURS-9980 Dissertation	NURS-9980 Dissertation
<b>Year 4</b>	NURS-9980 Dissertation	NURS-9980 Dissertation	NURS-9980 Dissertation
	<b>Convocation October or June session</b>		