

# PhD in Nursing

**BSN-to-PhD/Nurse Practitioner**

**BSN-toPhD/Nurse Educator**

**MSN-to-PhD**



**Approved by the Florida Board of Governors in 2003. The program's purpose is to develop individuals who will be leaders, researchers and educators in generating and applying the science needed to guide the future of nursing practice, education and research. Graduates have the knowledge and skills to conduct healthcare research, and direct and guide application of other evidence-based health care findings to improve the health of people from diverse cultures and under-served population.**

**FIU Nursing offers two research-focused doctorate tracks:**

**MSN Nurse Practitioner/PhD Track**

**MSN Nurse Educator/PhD Track**

1. The combined track (BSN-to-PhD) for candidates with a BSN who demonstrate outstanding undergraduate academic accomplishment and an intentional desire to advance their nursing education to its highest level. Students in this combined track will obtain an MSN in route to the PhD in Nursing.
2. The traditional doctorate track (MSN-to-PhD) for candidates with their bachelor's and master's degrees in nursing.

Students are expected to complete the dissertation process within five (5) years from the date of advancement to candidacy (i.e., successful completion of written and oral examinations, favorable recommendation of supervisory/guidance committee, and an approved dissertation proposal.

## **Admissions Minimum Requirements**

- Hold an accredited BSN or MSN degree as applicable
- Overall GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Current RN or APRN license
- Current professional liability insurance (Waived for international students in the MSN-to-PhD. However, the graduate/MSN student must maintain professional liability insurance throughout the program.)
- Successful completion of all FIU Graduate Admissions requirements
- Completion of all CNHS application requirements, including a successful interview with the Admissions Committee
- A satisfactory interview with members of the College's Doctoral Program Admissions Committee.

## **How to Apply:**

- 1 Complete application via [NursingCAS.org](https://NursingCAS.org) by deadline (Service fee) and submit required documents:
  - Official Transcripts from ALL SCHOOLS attended for college credit.
  - Three (3) professional recommendations describing your ability to be successful in a graduate program (E.g. Professor, Nursing Supervisor, RN Coworker)
  - Professional Curriculum Vitae/CV
  - Personal Statement
  - Active Florida RN or APRN license as applicable

- 2 **Submit FIU Supplemental Application** (Service fee)
  - Send Official Transcripts from all all colleges and universities attended (ASN, AA, BA/BS, MSN etc.) to FIU Office of Graduate Admissions

## **Program Highlights**

- No GRE Requirement
- BSN and MSN entry options
- High demand career
- Admits: Fall, Spring, Summer
- **Scholarships available**
- **Two Tracks:**
  - Nurse Educator-PhD
  - Nurse Practitioner-PhD
    - Adult-Gerontology
    - Pediatric
    - Family
    - Psychiatric Mental Health

### **Applications Accepted**

**Fall: Jan. 15 - Apr 15**

**Spring: May 1 - Aug 1**

**Summer: Sep 1 - Dec 1**

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