

# Nursing, PhD

## Admission

Applicants to College of Nursing graduate programs must meet the admission requirements of the Graduate College; see the Manual of Rules and Regulations on the Graduate College website.

The program is open to individuals who have earned a bachelor's degree in nursing, an associate's degree in nursing with a bachelor's or advanced degree in any field, an advanced degree in nursing, or an advanced degree in a health-related field.

A criminal background check is required for all students upon admission. The College of Nursing has additional application requirements, as follows.

### Admission to the PhD Program

PhD applicants who have completed an accredited basic nursing program must hold a current license to practice nursing.

Applicants must have a grade-point average of at least 3.00. They must also have successfully completed an upper-level statistics course within five years prior to the application deadline.

Applicants must submit along with their application:

- a two-to-three-page statement describing their educational objectives, career goals, and an area of research for their doctoral study;
- three recommendations from nursing professionals that speak to the applicant's potential as a scholar;
- a current résumé or curriculum vitae; and
- a complete transcript of all college programs and courses.

Applicants whose first language is not English must score at least 81 (internet-based) on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL); at least 7.0 on the International English Language Testing System (IELTS), with no subscore less than 6; or at least 105 on the Duolingo English Test (DET).

The application deadline for the PhD program is Dec. 1. In order to be reviewed, the applicant's file must be complete, with all materials submitted.