

# Nursing and Healthcare Innovation, PhD

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## Program description

### **Degree awarded: PHD Nursing and Healthcare Innovation**

The Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation PhD program in nursing and healthcare innovation provides an enriching academic environment that strongly fosters scholarship, critical thinking and interprofessional collaboration. This research-focused interdisciplinary doctoral degree is designed for individuals who wish to pursue and engage in careers as leaders in health science, health education and policy, and health innovation.

The program prepares scholars with the research skills they need to generate, apply and disseminate scientific knowledge while demonstrating the leadership skills necessary for influencing health processes, outcomes, policy and innovation.

Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation offers this degree program in a traditional on-site delivery format and through an innovative, synchronous online delivery format that is coupled with occasional travel to campus. Doctoral faculty mentors who represent and value a diversity of backgrounds and intellectual perspectives are committed to providing a learner-centered, research-focused doctoral education.

## At a glance

- **College/School:** [Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation](#)
- **Location:** [Downtown Phoenix](#)

## Concurrent Program Options

Students can choose to create their own **concurrent degree** combination to match their interests by working with their academic advisor during or after their first semester of study. Some concurrent combinations are not possible due to high levels of overlap in curriculum; students should speak with their academic advisor for more details.

This degree is also offered as a concurrent program with the following:

[Advanced Nursing Practice \(Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioner\), DNP](#)

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## Degree requirements

84 credit hours, a written comprehensive exam, an oral comprehensive exam, a prospectus and a dissertation

### **Required Core (3 credit hours)**

NUR 602 State of the Science in Nursing and Healthcare Innovation (3)

### **Electives or Research (39 credit hours)**

### **Other Requirements (30 credit hours)**

NUR 601 Scientific Role Development I: Engaging and Committing (1)

NUR 603 Social and Contextual Issues in Nursing and Healthcare (3) or NUR 610 Genomics and Population Health (3)

NUR 604 Philosophy of Science Perspectives in Nursing and Healthcare Innovation (3)

NUR 605 Theory Analysis (3)

NUR 606 Scientific Role Development II: Validating and Demonstrating (1)

NUR 607 Scientific Role Development III: Bridging (1)

NUR 608 Qualitative Research Design and Methods (3)

NUR 609 Quantitative Research Design and Methods (3)

NUR 617 Foundational Concepts in Science and Statistics (3) or DNP 679 Biostatistics: Principals of Statistical Inference (3)

NUR 618 Advancing Research-Based Health Policy Through Leadership and Innovation Science (3) or DNP 711 Healthcare Policy and Innovation (3)

NUR 671 Teaching in Academic and Practice Settings (3)

NUR 680 Research Practicum in Nursing and Health Innovation (3)

### **Culminating Experience (12 credit hours)**

NUR 799 Dissertation (12)

### **Additional Curriculum Information**

When approved by the student's supervisory committee and the Graduate College, this program allows 30 credit hours from a previously awarded master's degree to be used for this degree. If students do not have a previously awarded master's degree, the 30 hours of coursework are made up of electives and research. From those elective and research hours, 12 credit hours are required in a substantive area of specialization and may be taken in any semester, based on availability and student interest. A total of 24 credit hours of coursework with a research focus are required, including 12 hours of dissertation credit.

Students are required to enroll in a minimum of nine credit hours per semester for years one and two of their plan of study. The plan of study can be as broad or as narrow as the student and the supervisory

program committee deem necessary for the student's career goals. Students may choose from the following five substantive areas of study: aging, education, health care innovation leadership, healthy families or world health.

The program may incorporate courses from other disciplines to further refine substantive areas of study.

## **Admission requirements**

Applicants must fulfill the requirements of both the Graduate College and the Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation.

Applicants are eligible to apply to the program if they have earned a bachelor's or master's degree in nursing or a related field from a regionally accredited institution.

Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in the last 60 hours of their first bachelor's degree program or a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.50 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in an applicable master's degree program.

All applicants must submit:

1. graduate admission application and application fee
2. official transcripts
3. current resume
4. goal statement essay
5. writing sample
6. proof of English proficiency

### **Additional Application Information**

An applicant whose native language is not English must provide proof of English proficiency regardless of their current residency.

Applicants must show completion of a current inferential statistics prerequisite course.

GRE scores are recommended but not required. ASU does not accept the GRE® General Test at home edition.

Students are admitted once a year, to start in the fall semester.

## **Tuition information**

When it comes to paying for higher education, everyone's situation is different. Students can learn about [ASU tuition and financial aid](#) options to find out which will work best for them.

## Career opportunities

Graduates are prepared to assume key positions in research, education and administration, with the goal of optimizing quality of life and health across diverse populations and settings.

Career examples include:

- academic faculty (e.g., professor)
- health care executive
- health educator
- health-focused scientist

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