



**University of Tennessee College of Nursing  
MSN-PhD Program of Study  
Part-Time | Effective Fall 2025**

<b>Y1</b>	<b>Fall</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Summer</b>
	<b>N601:</b> Philosophy and Knowledge Development for Nursing Science (3) <b>N603:</b> Foundations of Nursing Science (3)  Total: 6 hours	<b>N605:</b> Middle-Range Theory Development and Evaluation (3) <b>N610:</b> State of the Science (3)  Total: 6 hours	<b>Cognate Course I</b> (3) <b>Cognate Course II</b> (3)  Milestone: Preliminary Exam  Total: 6 hours
<b>Y2</b>	<b>Fall</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Summer</b>
	<b>N599:</b> Statistical Methods for Health Care Research (3) <b>N608:</b> Quantitative Nursing Research (3)  Total: 6 hours	<b>N602:</b> Advanced Statistical Methods for Health Care Research (3) <b>N607:</b> Qualitative Nursing Research (3)  Total: 6 hours	Cognate Course(s), if not already complete
<b>Y3</b>	<b>Fall</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Summer</b>
	<b>N612:</b> Health and Health Care Policy (3) <b>N613:</b> Nursing Leadership in Complex Systems (3)  Total: 6 hours	<b>N609:</b> Research Practicum (3)* <b>N611:</b> Advanced Quantitative Nursing Research (3) <b>N615:</b> Research Ethics in the Health Sciences (2)  Total: 5-8 hours	<b>N606:</b> Grant Writing in Nursing Science (3) <b>N614:</b> Nursing Preceptorship (3)**  Milestone: Comprehensive Exam  Total: 3-6 hours
<b>Y4</b>	<b>Fall</b>	<b>Spring</b>	
	<b>N600:</b> Doctoral Research and Dissertation (12)  Total: 12 hours	<b>N600:</b> Doctoral Research and Dissertation (12)  Total: 12 hours	Total: 68-74 hours

\*Can also be taken in the summer session

\*\*Optional preceptorship