



EARN YOUR PHD IN NURSING

Improve Healthcare through Nursing Research.



One of two nursing PhD students nationwide to receive a 2018 McKnight Doctoral Fellowship, Michelle Tall focused her research on epilepsy.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

Conduct research to generate a body of knowledge and test theories that advance nursing science.

Develop a program of scholarship that integrates research, teaching, leadership, and service to the profession.

Contribute to interdisciplinary solutions that advance healthcare in a global society.

LEARN ONLINE

The Nursing PhD program is delivered online with two compact intensives in Orlando each year.



QUICK FACTS

- Two entry points: BSN | MSN
- Courses taught online
- Flexible and convenient for working professionals
- Affordable with reduced online tuition and fee waiver
- Nurse Faculty Loan Program, Fellowships and scholarships
- Annual Fall admission cycle

Contribute to nursing's future with an **online Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Nursing degree** from UCF. The program will prepare you for a career at the forefront of nursing science where you'll contribute to the body of knowledge and test theories, and lead research in the application of innovative strategies for clinical care and nursing education.

TRACKS AND DEADLINES

BSN to PhD | March 1*

- 72 credit hours online
- Full-time and part-time plan of study
- Extensive research with faculty

MSN to PhD | March 1*

- 63 credit hours online
- Full- and part-time plans of study



* Apply by Nov. 1 — UCF's priority deadline — if also applying for fellowships or other graduate funding

Our PhD Nursing Graduates

COUNTLESS CONTRIBUTIONS TO NURSING'S FUTURE



Kimberly Emery '17BSN, RN (right)

Young Researcher, Going from BSN to PhD

Kimberly's passion for research was ignited as an undergraduate while working on her honors thesis, "Oral Hygiene Practices in Non-Ventilated Intensive Care Unit Patients."

She determined that further research is needed on this population and became one of the first students to enroll in UCF's BSN to PhD program, which reduces the time to degree and increases the time in a research career for nurse scientists.

For her graduate dissertation research, she is exploring the relationship between the oral microbiome and non-ventilator hospital acquired pneumonia.

While pursuing her nursing doctorate full-time, she works as a graduate research assistant to Dean Sole and Dr. Edwards.

2003

PhD program initiated

2007

First cohort graduates

2015

Florida's first online PhD for nurse scientists launches

50+ DISSERTATIONS

2

ENTRY POINTS
Post-BSN & Post-MSN

5

JONAS SCHOLARS

FINANCIAL AID OPPORTUNITIES

- Scholarships
- Grants
- Fellowships
- Nurse Faculty Loan Forgiveness Program



NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED FACULTY

leading scholars and innovators in their field

- Developing innovative approaches to simulation, technology and modeling
- Improving quality, safety and patient outcomes
- Reducing disparities in aging and vulnerable populations

Marie is using technology to improve mental healthcare

With national funding from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Minority Fellowship Program, PhD student Marie Smith is using innovative technology to study geographic patterns of demographic variables and psychiatric factors for patients with schizophrenia spectrum disorders in Florida.



DREAM BIG, ADVANCE YOUR CAREER

Nurses with a PhD are in high demand at universities across the nation due to a national shortage of nurse faculty. When you obtain a PhD in Nursing, you are helping to improve the field of nursing by expanding the body of evidence that leads to improved healthcare delivery and clinical outcomes. UCF's PhD graduates are currently employed in the areas of academia, hospital and healthcare leadership, military, and management consulting and coaching.

APPLY TODAY

BSN to PhD
MSN to PhD

Fall start
Apply by March 1*