

NURSING (PH.D.)

Offered by: Ingram School of Nursing (Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences)

Degree: Doctor of Philosophy

Program Description

The PhD in Nursing focuses on the advancement of knowledge, practice, and education in Nursing.

A student who has obtained a master's degree at McGill University or at an approved institution elsewhere may, on the recommendation of the School, be registered in the second year of the Ph.D. program.

Each student's program is designed with the thesis supervisor taking into account the student's previous academic preparation, needs, and research interests.

Note: For information about Fall 2025 and Winter 2026 course offerings, please check back on May 8, 2025. Until then, the "Terms offered" field will appear blank for most courses while the class schedule is being finalized.

Thesis

A thesis for the doctoral degree must constitute original scholarship and must be a distinct contribution to knowledge. It must show familiarity with previous work in the field and must demonstrate ability to plan and carry out research, organize results, and defend the approach and conclusions in a scholarly manner. The research presented must meet current standards of the discipline; as well, the thesis must clearly demonstrate how the research advances knowledge in the field. Finally, the thesis must be written in compliance with norms for academic and scholarly expression and for publication in the public domain.

Required Courses (12 credits)

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Course	Title	Credits
NUR2 701	Comprehensive Examination.	0
NUR2 702	Quantitative Research.	3
NUR2 706	Qualitative Nursing Research.	3
NUR2 711	PhD Seminar 1.	1
NUR2 712	PhD Seminar 2.	1
NUR2 713	PhD Seminar 3.	1
NUR2 730	Theory Development in Nursing.	3

Complementary Courses (6 credits)

6 credits of courses at the 500 level or higher chosen in consultation with the thesis supervisor.