

## PHD COURSE SEQUENCES 2024-2025 BS

Table 1. Basic Core Required Courses Prior to Sitting for the Written Qualifying Exam

Fall	Units	Winter	Units	Spring	Units
N299A Nursing Research Ethics	2	N291A Applied Statistics & Analytics for Health Sciences Research I	4	N291B Applied Statistics & Analytics for Health Sciences Research II	4
N210A Nursing Science I	3	N210B Nursing Science II	3	N207 Quantitative Research Designs of Clinical Phenomena	3
N596 with advisor	1-2	N202 Philosophy of Nursing	4	N206A Nursing Concept Development	2
N495A Teaching Assistant Training Seminar - recommended	2	N205A Introduction to Qualitative Methods in Research	4	N206B Nursing Theory Development	2
Supplemental Courses or Cognates*	0 - x			Supplemental Courses or Cognates*	0 - x

Table 2. Basic Core Required Courses Prior to Advancement to Candidacy

Fall	Units	Winter	Units	Spring	Units
<i>Open to all but required if using quantitative methods for dissertation:</i> N291C Special Topics in Applied Statistics and Analytics for Health Sciences Research III	4	N299B Nursing Research / Laboratory	1	N299B Nursing Research / Laboratory	1
N208 Research in Nursing: Measurement of Outcomes	3	N596 concurrent with N299B	2-12	N596 concurrent with N299B	2-12
<i>Open to all but required if using qualitative methods for dissertation:</i> N205B Advanced Qualitative Methodology I	4	<i>Open to all but required if using qualitative methods for the dissertation:</i> N205C Advanced Qualitative Methodology II	4	Supplemental Courses or Cognates, See Notes Section	0 - x
295A Grant Writing I: Scientific Proposal Development	3	N295B Grant Writing II - recommended	4	Supplemental Courses or Cognates*	0 - x
Supplemental Courses or Cognates*	0 - x	Supplemental Courses or Cognates*	0 - x	Supplemental Courses or Cognates*	0 - x

**\*Notes:**

- An individual student's program may differ depending on preparation at entry into the program. The advisor and student may petition for additional or alternative coursework as needed to achieve the PhD.
- Students with a baccalaureate degree on entry will work with their advisor to select additional courses as needed beyond the *basic core* PhD required courses. This is determined by the student's baccalaureate transcript and RN

experience. For example, a student with little to no RN experience may add specialty nursing courses in year 1 and 2. For example, a student without a graduate level pathophysiology course could take Advanced Pathophysiology, or a student without a graduate level research course could take N204 Research Design and Critique. This may relocate core PhD required courses from year 1 to year 2 of the PhD program of study. WQE might then be taken in summer of year 2.

- Written Qualifying Exam (WQE) is offered every summer quarter. Passing WQE must occur prior to 9<sup>th</sup> quarter of the PhD program.
- Required basic core courses build upon each other and may be requisite to the next course as sequenced in Tables 1 and 2. For example, winter courses in Table 1 build upon N210A; N206A and N206B in spring build upon N202 Philosophy in the winter.
- N299B Nursing Research / Laboratory concurrent with N596 is taken once by students using qualitative methods for their dissertation and twice by students using quantitative methods for their dissertation.
- N596 may be taken any quarter, any year, prior to advancement to candidacy.
- Cognates: minimum of 3 courses outside of School of Nursing, can be taken any quarter, any year, but are a requirement for Advancement to Candidacy.
- N205B satisfies requirement for one cognate when taken by students using quantitative methods for their dissertation.
- After advancement to candidacy, students enroll in N599 research hours.
- Students may take electives inside or outside of the School of Nursing at any time during their program of study.

Optional PhD Courses in the School of Nursing that are recommended or suggested but not required:

- N209 Human Diversity in Health and Illness 4 units is offered in winter or spring quarter.
- N295B Grant Writing II is offered in winter quarter 4 units, not required but highly recommended for those who plan to write grants. Grant Writing I is a requisite course.
- N299D Nursing Seminar (Teaching Theory) is offered fall quarter every other year 2 units, not required but suggested for those who plan a career teaching.
- N495A Teaching Assistant Training Seminar is offered fall quarter for 2 units, not required for PhD Program but is recommended; the course is required for all Teaching Assistants (TAs) at UCLA.

Please refer to the PhD Student Handbook [\*link\*](#).