

**University of Pittsburgh  
School of Nursing  
MSN TO PHD SUGGESTED CURRICULUM PLAN SEQUENCE AND TIMELINE\***

YR	Term	Courses	Cr.	Mentored Research Experiences			
		<i>Course titles</i>	<i>Cr.</i>	<i>Apprenticeship Practicum* (6 cr total)</i>		<i>Dissertation Project (12 cr total)</i>	
1	1	BIOST 2041 Intro to Statistical Methods 1 (3 cr). OR PYSED 2018 Statistics 1: Descriptive & Inferential Statistics (3 cr) Core 1—NUR 3285 Philosophical Underpinnings Core 7—NUR 3291 Responsibilities/Activities Scientist I NUR 3010 Dissertation Credits PSI Additional PSI NUR 3071 Apprenticeship Practicum	3  3 2 2 2 <u>1</u> T 13	Citation index from mentors project area (may lead to **topical publication)  Purpose and aims for apprenticeship study using mentors' data, develop study proposal  Conduct apprenticeship study  Analyze data, Submit **abstract for presentation	Throughout the Apprenticeship Practicum the student affiliates with the mentors active research team (participates in team meetings and all components of responsible conduct of research; presents apprenticeship study plan, results, and dissemination to the team, attends scientific area or center offerings and rounds, etc.)	Citation Index (may lead to **topical publication) *Grant abstract/aims draft (*F31 or comparable mechanism)	
	2	BIOST 2042 Intro to Statistical Methods 2 (3 cr). OR PSYED 2019 Statistics 2: Analysis of Variance (3 cr) NUR 3010 Dissertation Credits Core 2—NUR 3286 Theoretical Foundations Core 8-NUR 3292 Responsibilities/Activities Scientist II PSI NUR 3071 Apprenticeship Practicum	3  3 3 2  <u>1</u> T12				Grant Abstract/aims finalize, proposal development  Grant submission
	3	Dissertation Credits PSI Stats Core--Applied Regression PSI NUR 3071 Apprenticeship Practicum PSI IM #1--Intensive Methods #1	4 3 2 <u>2</u> T11				PRELIM EXAM END YR 01  Pilot study thru IRB
2	1	NUR 3010 Dissertation Credits PSI Additional PSI IM #2—Intensive Methods #2 Core 6-NUR 3290 -Adv. Quant. Analytic Methods Seminar PSI NUR 3071 Apprenticeship Practicum	3 2  2 3 <u>2</u> T12	Publish Apprenticeship **Results paper		Conduct pilot **Publish pilot/submit conference COMP EXAM AND OVERVIEW	
	<i>Total 48 credits</i>						
	2	Full Time Dissertation	FTD				Full Time Dissertation
	3	Full Time Dissertation	FTD	Full Time Dissertation			
3	1	Full Time Dissertation	FTD	----- -----		Full Time Dissertation DEFEND *SUBMIT RESULTS PAPER	

- If gap analysis indicates need, Core 3 NUR 3287 Res Des & Meth in a Spring term, Core 4 NUR 3288 Res Meas in a Summer Term, Core 5 NUR 3298 Interv Dev in a Summer term, Core 9 NUR 3293 Art & Sci Teach/Learn in a Spring term