

FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY™

Graduate Programs—PROGRAM CHANGE REQUEST

UGPC APPROVAL _____

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CATALOG _____

DEPARTMENT: OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP

COLLEGE: CHRISTINE E. LYNN COLLEGE OF NURSING

PROGRAM NAME:

NURSING PhD PROGRAM

Spring 2016

PLEASE EXPLAIN THE REQUESTED CHANGE(S) AND OFFER RATIONALE BELOW AND/OR ATTACHED:

**WE ARE REQUESTING TO REMOVE THE FOLLOWING ADMISSION REQUIREMENT FOR BOTH DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:
COMPETITIVE SCORE ON THE MILLER'S ANALOGY TEST OR THE GRADUATE RECORD EXAMINATION**

THE TEST SCORES HAVE NOT BEEN A GOOD PREDICTOR OF STUDENT SUCCESS IN THE PROGRAM AND THE REQUIREMENT MAY DETER STUDENTS FROM APPLYING TO THE PROGRAM. ADDITIONALLY, THE TEST SCORE REQUIREMENT DELAYS THE APPLICATION PROCESS.

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Consult and list departments that might be affected by the change and attach comments.

Approved by:

Department Chair: Christine Williams 9/17/15

College Curriculum Chair: [Signature]

College Dean: Karen Edwards

UGPC Chair: _____

Graduate College Dean: _____

UFS President: _____

Provost: _____

Date:

9/30/15

10/2/15

Email this form and syllabus to UGPC@fau.edu one week before the University Graduate Programs Committee meeting so that materials may be viewed on the UGPC website prior to the meeting.

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Admission Requirements

Admission to the Ph.D. program will be for the fall and spring semesters each year. Applications must be submitted to the University's Graduate College before completing the application to the College of Nursing. Evidence of the following information is required in the admissions process:

1. Master's degree with a Major in Nursing from a university or college of nursing program accredited by the National League for Nursing or the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. Official copies of transcripts from all post-secondary institutions of education should be sent directly to the University's Graduate College. The University will not be able to accept applications without an official unopened transcript from each institution attended since high school.
2. Minimum cumulative 3.5 GPA in a nursing master's program.
3. Competitive scores on Graduate Record Examination (GRE) or Miller Analogies Test (MAT).
4. Curriculum vitae; required format available on the [website](#).
5. Three letters of recommendation from academic and professional references, one from a master's program professor holding a doctorate (see "[Guidelines Regarding Letters of Reference](#)" on the College of Nursing's website).
6. An example of work that depicts a culminating scholarly product from the master's program. Examples: thesis, project, manuscript for evidenced-based research course, paper/manuscript for inquiry practicum.
7. A typed statement of the applicant's goals for the doctoral degree (12-point font, double-spaced, no more than 500 words).
8. Evidence of grade of "B" or better in a graduate statistics course that provides the student with a broad knowledge of statistical concepts and techniques necessary for critical consumption of research. A copy of the syllabus or official catalog course description will be required if the course was not taken at FAU.
9. Prerequisite course: NGR 6110, Advanced Nursing Practice Grounded in Caring.
10. Satisfactory background check (a background check is required after conditional acceptance to the program).

Applicants will be required to have an interview with members of the doctoral admissions committee. Upon review of all the information about the applicant by the doctoral program committee, a decision for admission will be made and the applicant will be notified. Part-time study for the Ph.D. may be an option at the faculty's discretion.