

# NURSING

## **School Facilities**

The School of Nursing is housed at 82 and 92 Barrie Street where graduate students are provided with shared office space and unlimited wireless computer access. Three Nursing Laboratories include spaces dedicated to video work, clinical simulation and small meetings. Research facilities for various funded studies are available in the School, at other sites on the Queen's campus, and at affiliated health care agencies. The Glaxo-Wellcome Clinical Learning Centre is equipped with one-way windows, video systems and adjacent observation rooms.

The settings for the observations and interventions in most thesis research vary, including inpatient units, ambulatory clinics or community settings. Nursing Research is undertaken at a variety of affiliated Health Care facilities and organizations in Eastern Ontario. These include acute and long-term care hospitals, ambulatory care, primary care, and community health facilities.

Graduate programs offered are:

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Master of Nursing Science (M.N. Sc.) Master of Nursing (Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner) M.N. (PHCNP)

Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner (PHCNP) Diploma Graduate Diploma in Pain Care (GDipPainCare) Program

# **Financial Assistance**

#### Master of Nursing Science (M.N.Sc.) Program

Financial assistance is available to thesis graduate students from sources internal and external to Queen's University during their two years of full-time study. Most first year M.N.Sc. thesis students receive internal monies. Second year students are expected to apply for federal, provincial and foundation fellowships, grants and awards for which they are eligible. Those who have applied for external fellowships such as Ontario Graduate Scholarship, CIHR, or SSHRC are considered for Queen's Fellowships without further application. All M.N.Sc. students may work as research assistants for grants held by faculty members. They may also work as teaching assistants for the School of Nursing. Research Assistantships and Teaching Assistantships are limited to 10 hours per week. Information about financial assistance is available from the School of Nursing.

### Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Program

Financial assistance is available to Ph.D. students from sources internal and external to Queen's University. Those

who have applied for external fellowships such as Ontario Graduate Scholarship, CIHR, or SSHRC are also considered for Queen's Fellowships. Graduate Students may work as research assistants for grants held by faculty members. They may also work as teaching assistants for the School of Nursing. Research Assistantships and Teaching Assistantships are limited to 10 hours per week. Information about financial assistance is available from the School of Nursing.

## Admission requirements Ph.D. program

Admission requirements are:

- a Master's degree in Nursing Science or equivalent master's degree from a recognized university, with a minimum overall average equivalent to B+ calculated over the core courses of the program;
- Undergraduate university degree in nursing; and
- Two academic letters of reference.

A statement of academic, research and professional plans is requested to match student with faculty interests. Applicants must also include a separate curriculum vitae with the application.

Applicants without an undergraduate university degree in nursing will be considered on an individual basis, and are strongly encouraged to contact the School of Nursing to discuss this opportunity prior to applying.

#### **International Applicants**

International applicants must be graduates of a baccalaureate program in nursing that is equivalent to a four year Canadian program and have a minimum of a second class standing (minimum overall average of B+). Applicants must provide proof of registration as a nurse in their own country, but will not be required to register with the College of Nurses of Ontario. Please note that international students who are not registered in Ontario will be unable to provide direct patient care or conduct thesis research that requires registration. The applicant and potential thesis supervisors should discuss this limitation on thesis research topics during the matching process.

#### M.N.Sc. program

Admission requirements are:

• Graduation with a minimum of a second class standing (overall average equivalent to B) from an baccalaureate program in nursing that has been approved by the provincial/territorial authority;

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- Registration (or eligible to register) as a Registered Nurse with the College of Nurses of Ontario;
- Undergraduate courses in research methodology and statistics;
- Two academic letters of reference; and
- Curriculum vitae (resume)

A statement of research interest is requested to match student interests with faculty research programs to assign thesis supervision.

#### **International Applicants**

International applicants must be graduates of a baccalaureate program in nursing that is equivalent to a four year Canadian program and have a minimum of a second class standing (overall average equivalent of B). Applicants must provide proof of registration as a nurse in their own country, but will not be required to register with the College of Nurses of Ontario. Please note that international students who are not registered in Ontario will be unable to provide direct patient care or conduct research that requires registration. The applicant and potential thesis supervisors should discuss this limitation on thesis research topics during the matching process.

#### M.N.(PHCNP) Program (non-thesis):

Admission requirements are:

- Graduation with a minimum of a second class standing (overall average equivalent to B) from an baccalaureate program in nursing that has been approved by a provincial/territorial authority;
- Active registration as a Registered Nurse with the College of Nurses of Ontario;
- Undergraduate courses in research methodology and statistics;
- Two academic letters of reference; and
- Curriculum vitae (resume).

In addition to the above admission requirements,

- Applicants to the program must have the equivalent of two years of relevant full-time practice as a Registered Nurse within the past five years (minimum of 3640 hours). As such, all applicants must have their employer(s) complete a "Verification of Employment Hours" form.
- In addition to 2 academic references, 1 clinical reference is required
- Applicants must complete and submit the Nurse Practitioner Personal Essay form.

Applicants with advanced academic credentials may be considered for advanced standing.

International applicants cannot apply to this program unless they have active registration as a Registered Nurse with the College of Nurses of Ontario and are a resident in Ontario.

#### **PHCNP** Diploma

Admission requirements are:

- Completion of a baccalaureate degree in nursing and a Master's degree (nursing preferred) that have both been approved by a provincial/territorial authority;
- Graduation with a minimum overall average equivalent to B calculated over the core courses in both programs (Master's and undergraduate degree);
- Active registration as a Registered Nurse with the College of Nurses of Ontario;
- Two academic letters of reference; and
- Curriculum vitae (resume).

In addition to the above admission requirements:

- Applicants to the program must have the equivalent of two years of relevant full-time practice as a Registered Nurse within the past five years (minimum of 3640 hours). As such, all applicants must have their employers complete a "Verification of Employment Hours" form.
- In addition to 2 academic references, 1 clinical reference is required.
- Applicants must complete and submit the Nurse Practitioner Personal Essay form.

#### GDipPainCare Program:

Note: admission to this program suspended.

Admission requirements are:

- Graduation with a minimum of a second class standing (overall average equivalent to B) from an accredited, baccalaureate-granting University;
- A baccalaureate or Master's degree in a healthcare profession;
- A statement of interest in the program is requested to match the applicant's academic and work background with the objectives of the program;
- Curriculum vitae; and
- 2 references: 1 academic and 1 professional.