

**Virginia Commonwealth University, School of Nursing**  
**PhD Program Full Time Plan of Study**  
**Biobehavioral**

<b>Course #</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Term OFFERED (Year)</b>
NURS 703	Philosophy of Human Science	3	Fall 1
NURS 776	Research Program Development Seminar I	2	Fall 1 (Even)
NURS 796* or 792	Directed Research Experience or Directed Research Inquiry	2	Fall 1 (may be taken at any time)
NURS 701	Statistical Methods for Nursing Research	3	Fall 1
OVPR 601, 602, or 603	Scientific Integrity/Responsible Conduct of Research	1	Must be taken in 1 <sup>st</sup> year of study
	*A minimum of 2 credits of NURS 796 is required by the completion of coursework.	<b>11</b>	
NURS 704	Analysis and Construction of Nursing Models and Theories	3	Spring 1
NURS 702	Advanced Statistical Concepts for Nursing Research	3	Spring 1
NURS 720	Foundations of Biobehavioral Clinical Research	3	Spring 1 (Odd)
NURS 777	Research Program Development Seminar II	2	Spring 1 (Odd)
		<b>11</b>	
	Focus of Inquiry 1 (Cognate or NURS 792)	3	Summer 1
NURS 770	Quantitative Research Design	3	Fall 2 (Odd)
NURS 772	Qualitative Research Design & Analysis	4	Fall 2 (Odd)
	Focus of Inquiry 2 (Cognate or Advanced Methods)	3	Fall 2
		<b>10</b>	
NURS 773	Perspectives on Research Design	3	Spring 2
NURS 721	Biobehavioral Measures in Clinical Research	3	Spring 2 (Even)
NURS 778	Research Program Development Seminar III	2	Spring 2
<b>NURS 797</b>	Directed Research Practicum	3	May be taken at any time
		<b>11</b>	
NURS 725	Emerging Trends and Areas of Scientific Inquiry	3	Summer 2 (Even)
		<b>3</b>	
NURS 898	Dissertation	Minimum of 12	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>Minimum of 61</b>	

**Virginia Commonwealth University, School of Nursing**  
**PhD Program Part Time Plan of Study**  
**Biobehavioral**  
**ODD Year Admission**

<b>Course #</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Term OFFERED (year)</b>
OVPR 601, 602, or 603	Scientific Integrity/Responsible Conduct of Research	1	Must be taken in 1 <sup>st</sup> year of study
NURS 701	Statistical Methods for Nursing Research	3	Fall (odd)
NURS 796* or 792	Directed Research Experience or Directed Research Inquiry	2	May be taken at any time
NURS 702	Advanced Statistical Concepts for Nursing Research	3	Spring (even)
	*A minimum of 2 credits of NURS 796 is required by the completion of coursework.		
NURS 703	Philosophy of Human Science	3	Fall
NURS 776	Research Program Development Seminar I	2	Fall (even)
NURS 704	Analysis and Construction of Nursing Models and Theories	3	Spring
NURS 777	Research Program Development Seminar II	2	Spring (odd)
NURS 773	Perspectives on Research Design	3	Spring
NURS 778	Research Program Development Seminar III	2	Spring (odd)
NURS 772	Qualitative Research Design & Analysis	4	Fall (odd)
	Focus of Inquiry 1 (Cognate or NURS 792)	3	May be taken at any time
	Focus of Inquiry 2 (Cognate or Advanced Methods)	3	May be taken at any time
NURS 797	Directed Research Practicum	3	May be taken at any time
NURS 720	Foundations of Biobehavioral Clinical Research	3	Spring (odd)
NURS 770	Quantitative Research Design	3	Fall (odd)
NURS 721	Biobehavioral Measures in Clinical Research	3	Spring (even)
NURS 725	Emerging Trends and Areas of Scientific Inquiry	3	Summer (even)
NURS 898	Dissertation	Minimum of 12	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>Minimum of 61</b>	

**Virginia Commonwealth University, School of Nursing**  
**PhD Program Part Time Plan of Study**  
**Biobehavioral**  
**EVEN Year Admission**

<b>Course #</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Term OFFERED (year)</b>
NURS 703	Philosophy of Human Science	3	Fall
NURS 776	Research Program Development Seminar I	2	Fall (even)
OVPR 601, 602, or 603	Scientific Integrity/Responsible Conduct of Research	1	Must be taken in 1 <sup>st</sup> year of study
NURS 704	Analysis and Construction of Nursing Models and Theories	3	Spring
NURS 777	Research Program Development Seminar II	2	Spring (odd)
NURS 773	Perspectives on Research Design	3	Spring
NURS 778	Research Program Development Seminar III	2	Spring (even)
NURS 772	Qualitative Research Design & Analysis	4	Fall (odd)
NURS 701	Statistical Methods for Nursing Research	3	Fall (odd)
NURS 702	Advanced Statistical Concepts for Nursing Research	3	Spring (even)
NURS 720	Foundations of Biobehavioral Clinical Research	3	Spring (odd)
	Focus of Inquiry 1 (Cognate or NURS 792)	3	May be taken at any time
NURS 796* or 792	Directed Research Experience or Directed Research Inquiry	2	May be taken at any time
	*A minimum of 2 credits of NURS 796 is required by the completion of coursework.		
NURS 770	Quantitative Research Design	3	Fall (odd)
	Focus of Inquiry 2 (Cognate or Advanced Methods)	3	May be taken at any time
NURS 721	Biobehavioral Measures in Clinical Research	3	Spring (even)
NURS 725	Emerging Trends and Areas of Scientific Inquiry	3	Summer (even)
NURS 797	Directed Research Practicum	3	May be taken at any time
NURS 898	Dissertation	Minimum of 12	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>Minimum of 61</b>	

**Virginia Commonwealth University, School of Nursing**  
**BS-PhD Entry Option, Full Time Program of Study**  
**Biobehavioral**

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Term Offered (Year)
NURS 512	Evidence Based Advanced Nursing Practice (required of all students)	3	Fall 1
	*Additional 500-600 level course	3	Fall 1
NURS 504	Advanced Nursing Practice: The Biological Basis of Health & Illness Across the Lifespan	3	Fall 1
		<b>9</b>	
NURS 508	Policy, Processes and Systems for Advanced Nursing Practice	3	Spring 1
	*Additional 500-600 level courses (6 credits)	6	Spring 1
NURS 592	Directed Study in Nursing	3	Spring 1
		<b>12</b>	
NURS 503	Ethics, Advanced Nursing Practice and the Healthcare Environment	3	Summer 1
	*Additional 500-600 level course (3 credits)	3	Summer 1
NURS 691	Nursing Research Practicum	3	Summer 1
		<b>9</b>	
NURS 703	Philosophy of Human Science	3	Fall 2
NURS 776	Research Program Development Seminar I	2	Fall 2 (Even)
NURS 796* or 792	Directed Research Experience or Directed Research Inquiry	2	*Fall 2 (may be taken at any time)
NURS 701	Statistical Methods for Nursing Research	3	Fall 2
OVPR 601, 602, or 603	Scientific Integrity/Responsible Conduct of Research	1	Must be taken in 1 <sup>st</sup> year of study
	*A minimum of 2 credits of NURS 796 are required by the completion of coursework.	<b>11</b>	
NURS 704	Analysis and Construction of Nursing Models and Theories	3	Spring 2
NURS 702	Advanced Statistical Concepts for Nursing Research	3	Spring 2
NURS 720	Foundations of Biobehavioral Clinical Research	3	Spring 2 (Odd)
NURS 777	Research Program Development Seminar II	2	Spring 2 (Odd)
		<b>11</b>	
	Focus of Inquiry 1 (Cognate or NURS 792)	3	Summer 2 (Odd)
		<b>3</b>	
NURS 770	Quantitative Research Design	3	Fall 3 (Odd)
NURS 772	Qualitative Research Design & Analysis	4	Fall 3 (Odd)
	Focus of Inquiry Course 2 (Cognate or NURS 792)	3	Fall 3
		<b>10</b>	

<b>Course #</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Term Offered (Year)</b>
NURS 721	Biobehavioral Measures in Clinical Research	3	Spring 3 (Even)
NURS 797	Directed Research Practicum	3	May be taken at any time
NURS 773	Perspectives on Research Design	<b>3</b>	Spring 3
NURS 778	Research Program Development Seminar III	<b>2</b>	Spring 3
		<b>11</b>	
NURS 725	Emerging Trends and Areas of Scientific Inquiry	3	Summer 3 (Even)
		<b>3</b>	
NURS 898	Dissertation	Minimum of 12	
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>Minimum of 91</b>

SAMPLE