



Ph.D.: 2018

Admission Requirements

In addition to the [general admission requirements of the VCU Graduate School](#), applicants must:

1. Be a graduate of a baccalaureate and master's degree, one of which must be in nursing. The degree in nursing must be from an ACEN, CCNE or CNEA accredited school. B.S. to Ph.D. applicants must be a graduate of an accredited (ACEN, CCNE or CNEA) baccalaureate degree program in nursing. Graduates of international nursing schools and applicants who have studied outside of the U.S. are required to provide a course-by-course external credential evaluation from a [VCU-recognized professional evaluator](#). The professional evaluation may not be older than two years at the time of application.
2. Complete a three-credit statistics course with a grade of "B" or better
3. Have a current unrestricted RN license or authorization to practice as an RN in Virginia, the District of Columbia or a U.S. possession or territory.
4. Our international and non-native English-speaking students bring different perspectives and new thinking to our nursing programs. To ensure that all incoming students are prepared for VCU SON's academic rigor, all international applicants and non-native English speaking applicants without a degree from a U.S. high school, college or university, must provide additional information with their applications according to the English language proficiency guidelines the [VCU bulletin](#).

Special requirement: A personal interview is required.

In addition to the above admission requirements, applicants must articulate research interests that can be supported by the VCU School of Nursing.

School of Nursing B.S. graduates who successfully completed the requirements of the VCU Honors College are eligible for guaranteed admission to the B.S. to Ph.D. if their research interests align with the program. Requirements for GRE scores and references are waived.