

Faculty of Nursing

1) Doctor of Philosophy Program in Nursing Science (International Program) (Full Time)

1. Number of students limited to 8 applicants
2. Plan of study Plan 1.1 and 2.1
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Course Structure	A Number of Credits	
	Plan 1.1	Plan 2.1
Credit	-	18
Audit (no less than)	2	2
Thesis	54	36
Total	54	54

4. Qualification of applicants

4.1 For plan 1.1 applicants

4.1.1 **For Thai applicant** – To be a graduate from an educational institution recognized by Thailand Nursing and Midwifery Council in Bachelor’s degree in Nursing Science or equal and earn Master’s degree in Nursing Science in Plan A or equal or Master’s degree in other related fields under the consideration of the PhD admission committee.

For International applicant - In case of an applicant who is not Thai, she/ or he is needed to be prepared with Master’s degree in Nursing science or equal, and received nursing and midwifery license from her/ or his own country, if there is not, the applicant is needed to receive a certificate of registered nurse or certified by nursing regulatory authority from her/ or his own country

4.1.2 Have at least 1 research article (from research studies/thesis) published /received a letter of acceptance for publication in international standard journal or national journal over the past 3 years

4.1.3 Require proficiency in English by;

PSU-TEP	average score of 3 skills not less than 60
TOEFL (Paper Based)	not less than 500 score or
TOEFL (revised Paper-delivered Test)	not less than 46 score or
TOEFL (Institutional Testing Program)	not less than 520 score or

TOEFL (Computer Based)	not less than 173 score or
TOEFL (Internet Based)	not less than 61 score or
IELTS	not less than 5.0 score or
CU-TEP	not less than 60 score

Only official test reports are accepted. Scores must be from within the last two years.

4.1.4 Earn current professional license to practice nursing approved by the Nursing Councils from their own country

4.1.5 Have good work experience, responsibilities and possess good behavior without a history of unethical and immoral behavior

4.1.6 No underlying disease to hinder the study

4.1.7 Other matters based on the appointed PhD. Committee's consideration

4.2 Plan 2.1 applicant

4.2.1 Earn the requirements in item 4.1.1 - 4.1.7 – except item 4.1.2 by having at least 1 research article (from research studies/thesis) published / received a letter of acceptance for publication in international standard journal or national journal over the past 5 years.

4.2.2 If the applicant graduated from Master of Nursing in plan B, the independent study must have adopted research methodology and must be published / received a letter of acceptance for publication in international standard journal or national journal at least 2 articles over the past 5 years.

5. Required application documents (The following admission materials must be submitted to the graduate unit, Faculty of Nursing, **at least 2 weeks prior to the interview examination. Applicants who submit incomplete documents will not be allowed an interview examination**)

5.1 Original Documents

5.1.1 **Official, confidential transcript(s)** of Bachelor's degree and Master's degree (one for each degree). Non-English transcripts must be translated into English by a certified translator.

5.1.2 **English language proficiency test scores:** an applicant must submit scores directly from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) administered through the Educational Testing Service to the PhD Program Officer at the faculty of nursing

5.1.3 **A medical certificate and mental health assessment certificate**, which specifies that the individual has not suffered from any disease which will be a barrier to education (not more than 6 months old).

5.1.4 **A letter of recommendation.** A recommendation letter of reference is required addressing your performance and judgment in the area in which you wish to study and/or your professional preparation and experience from the director of your institution.

5.1.5 **An approval letter of study leave** from the institution or if not approved yet, a letter for study leave has to be provided and an approval letter has to be submitted soon after receiving formal approval.

5.2 Certified Copies of Documents

5.2.1 A certified copy of certification of Bachelor's degree and Master's degree (one for each degree)

5.2.2 A certified copy of the abstract of the research/thesis articles published in a journal.

5.2.3 A certified of professional license to practice nursing approved by the appropriate Nursing Council

5.2.4 A certified copy of marriage certificate/change of name (if name does not match the evidence from other applications)

5.3 A relevant pre-research proposal Applicants should submit a relevant pre-research proposal (not more than 5 pages)

6. Test schedule

Subject	Date and Time	Venue
Interview examination (For Thai applicants and International applicants)	The schedule will be sent to the applicant directly via e-mail	

7. Program's recommendation

Doctor of Philosophy Program in Nursing Science (International Program), The Faculty of Nursing, Prince of Songkla University is committed to advanced educational preparation for nursing scholars to build on nursing knowledge with a high quality research process and innovative nursing interventions which focus on an integration of eastern philosophy and eastern wisdom into nursing practices. The goal of the PhD Program in Nursing is to enhance leadership skills and capacities in their own professions and in nursing ethics. In addition, the Faculty of Nursing collaborates with many other universities abroad. This collaboration will provide opportunities for PhD candidates to spend approximately 3 – 6 months studying abroad. Furthermore, there are overseas nursing professors visiting and joining classes at the faculty of nursing. Consequently, PhD students and candidates have opportunities to learn and exchange cross cultural knowledge and experiences with nursing experts.

