



COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

School of Nursing



PhD PROGRAM

The PhD program is a research-intensive curriculum that prepares nurse scholars to conduct research in clinical outcomes and health policy, both independently and as part of interdisciplinary teams.

- Design, conduct, direct, and report research studies that increase knowledge about the outcomes of nursing and other clinical practice.
- Provide leadership in improving the health care delivery system at local, national and international levels.
- Collaborate with other professionals to evaluate and develop policies for the organization and delivery of health services.
- Translate evidence accumulated through research into practice and policy at multiple levels.



Why Choose Columbia Nursing?



T32 Training Grants

- **Two institutional training grants**
 - Currently support 4 predoctoral and 4 postdoctoral fellows
- Reducing Health Disparities through Informatics (RHeaDI T32 NR007969 PI Bakken)
- Comparative and Cost-Effectiveness Research Training for Nurse Scientists (CER² T32 NR0114205 PI Stone)



RWJF Future of Nursing scholar

- In 2014, CUSON was 1 of 14 schools nationally selected to launch RWJF Future of Nursing scholar initiative
- Since 2014, six CUSON students have received RWJF Future of Nursing scholarships



Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

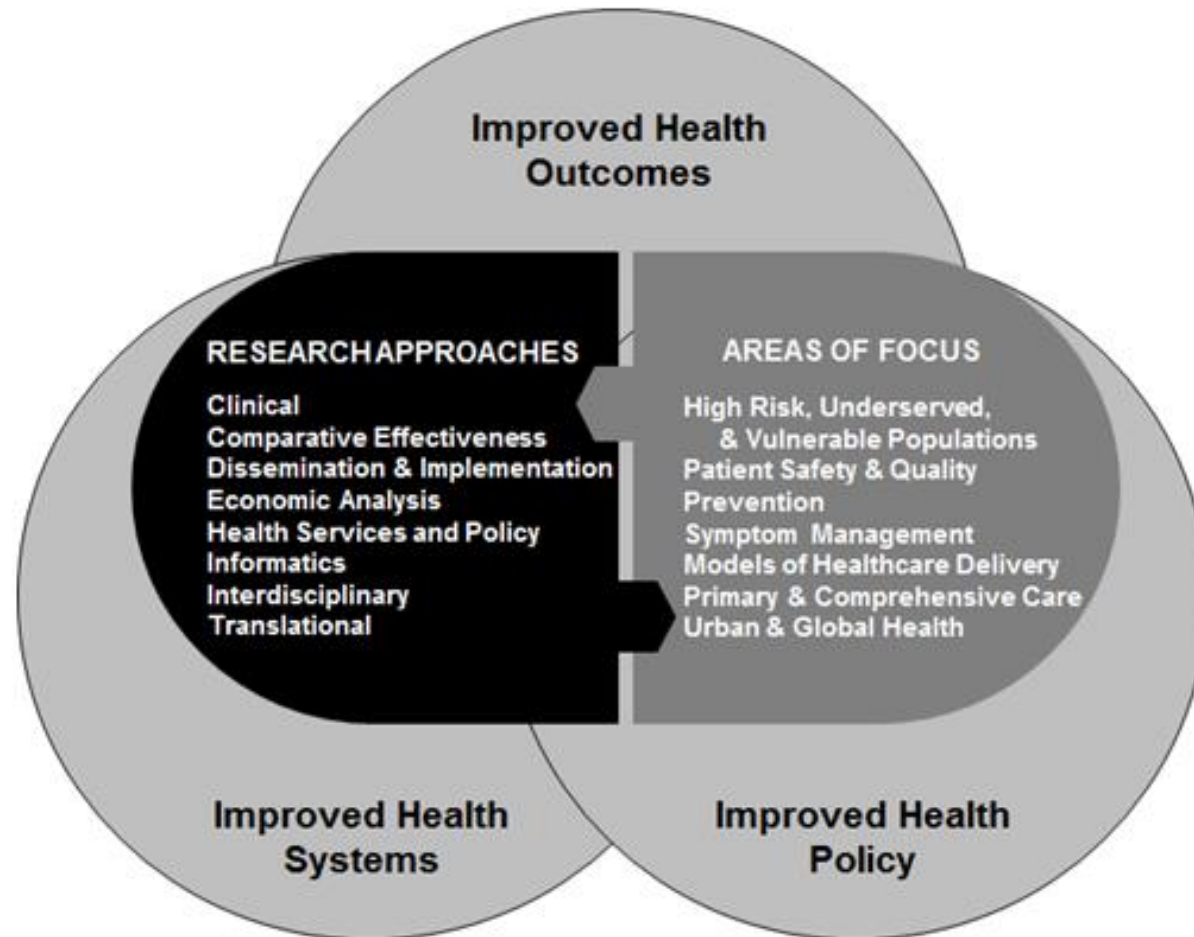


Active Research Grants

- **95% of CUSON PhD faculty members have active research grants**
 - Federal sources: NIH, CDC, HRSA, AHRQ
 - Foundation sources: RWJF, Jonas Center for Nursing and Veterans Healthcare
- Opportunities for strong mentorship in research



Conceptual Model that Guides our Research



Faculty Mentorship and Expertise

Faculty Name	HIV/AIDS	Health Policy & Services	NP Environments	Maternal / Child Health	Precision Medicine	Mental Health	Genetics	Prison Research	Healthcare Assoc. Infections	Informatics	Patient Safety	Health Economics	Home Healthcare	Self-Management	Aging / Dementia	Health Disparities	Antimicrobial Resistance
Arcia				X						X						X	
Bakken	X				X					X				X		X	
Berkowitz		X															
Bockting						X											X
Bruzzese				X	X									X			X
Byrne				X				X									X
Dowding										X			X	X	X		
George				X									X	X			X
Hickey					X		X										
Honig				X		X											
Jia		X								X		X					X
Larson								X	X		X						X
Merrill		X			X					X							
Odlum	X																X
Poghosyan		X	X								X						
Rowell-Cunsolo	X					X		X									X
Schnall	X					X				X							X
Shang									X				X				
Smaldone				X										X			X
Stone		X	X						X		X	X	X				



Program Overview: Coursework

- PhD courses offered in three major groups:
 - Theoretical Foundations of Nursing Science
 - Analytical Foundations of Nursing Science
 - Electives and Applications Courses
- Upon completion of core coursework
 - Qualifying examination with written and oral components
- Upon successful completion of required course work and qualifying examination
 - MPhil
 - doctoral candidacy status at Graduate School of Arts and Sciences.
- Dissertation research project in which the student develops, conducts, writes and defends an original research study
- Dissertation work requires a minimum of 4 credits per semester, generally for 4 semesters (16 credits)



Concurrent with Coursework

- Research experience
 - Participating on faculty research projects
 - Research practicum
- Teaching assistant
- Acculturate to the role of nurse scientist



Scholarship Expectations

- **Publication:** at least one manuscript submitted for publication in an appropriate peer-reviewed journal
- **Grantsmanship:** at least one grant application submitted to an appropriate funding agency or organization
- **Presentation:** at least one paper or project submitted for presentation as a poster or oral presentation at an appropriate professional meeting
- **Networking:** at least one regional or national research meeting should be attended such as those sponsored by the ENRS, Academy Health, AHRQ, NCHS, NINR, CDC or others.



Timeline: 3 years

- All degree requirements (course work, qualifying exam, dissertation proposal defense, dissertation defense) must be successfully completed within seven (7) years following matriculation
- Students are required to maintain full-time enrollment from the time of initial enrollment until successful defense of the dissertation proposal.

All Individual Timelines are Unique Depending on each Student's Course Plan and Dissertation Project



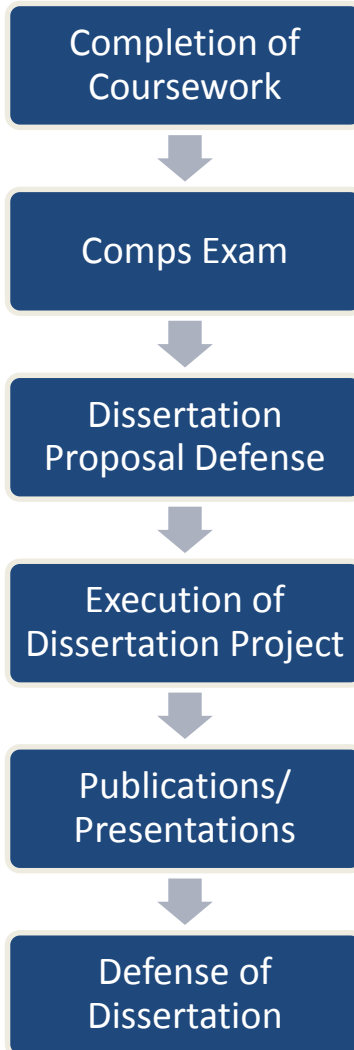
The Big Question: Financial Support



- Students who are citizens or permanent residents receive full tuition and stipend for the first two years of coursework
- This includes health insurance and fees
- Stipend is comparable to the NIH predoctoral fellowship for the first 2 years of study
- A total value of over \$153K over the 2 year period



PhD Milestones



Consult the CUSON PhD Handbook Online

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