



FRANCES PAYNE BOLTON
SCHOOL OF NURSING

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APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

PhD Program

Deadline for Application and Supporting Materials:	Regular PhD Applicants	Legacy Fellow Applicants
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• February 1 for Fall semester• October 1 for Spring semester	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• January 1 for Fall semester• September 1 for Spring semester

To complete the application process, please do the following:

<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>1. Arrange for official BSN, MN, and MSN transcripts to be sent to us.</p> <p>Official college or university transcripts for all previous graduate and undergraduate education are required.</p> <p>Please mail all required materials to the following address:</p> <p>FPB Admissions Coordinator Case Western Reserve University Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing Office of Student Services 10900 Euclid Avenue Cleveland, Ohio 44106-4904</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>2. Upload the following information with your online application. (NOTE: If you are unable to upload these documents, please send them directly to the FPB Admissions Coordinator by mail at the address above or by email at admissionsfpb@case.edu.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All PhD Applicants - Statement of proposed study & essay (see last page) <p>Describe only your educational and professional objectives and your research focus. In this essay, answer the three questions listed on the Statement of Proposed Study & Essay sheet on the last page. Be specific and consider the faculty expertise and their fit with your educational and research goals. Should not exceed three, double-spaced pages -- one page for each question.</p> <p>Legacy Fellowship Applicants – Additional Essay in the form of an Official Letter</p> <p>Submit an additional essay in the form of an official letter requesting consideration for this highly competitive fellowship. The letter should address how you meet the requirements AND eligibility criteria for the legacy funding as outlined on our website. Click here for more details. Also include in the letter a description of your achievements and personal characteristics that set you apart from others who will also be requesting this funding. Clearly, mark the letter as your Legacy Fellow</p>



	<p>essay/letter and insert at the end of the admissions essay so both can be uploaded as one document.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curriculum Vita Include all previous publications and presentations. • Recommenders Enter three individuals who will provide recommendations on your behalf who know your work and potential for success in a doctoral program. At least two of these references should be from PhD prepared individuals, preferably in nursing.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>3. Interviews</p> <p>Two interviews with faculty are required either by phone or at the School of Nursing. To be arranged after your complete application packet is submitted.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>4. To apply to the PhD program, click here.</p> <p>Have credit card available to submit your \$50.00 application fee, if applicable. The Apply Now link takes you directly to our online Hobsons Application. If you are applying for the PhD Program, please select the following choices when in the application on the Enrollment Information tab:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select “Nursing” (near the bottom) from the Academic Program dropdown list • Select “PhD” from the choices listed on the degree dropdown list • Select “Nursing (PhD)” from the Academic Plan 1 dropdown list

INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS:

<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>All international applicants must submit a TOEFL score or IELTS (International English Language Testing System) score or PTE-Academic (Pearson Test of English) score. To be eligible for full admission status, a TOEFL score of 577 or above is required for the paper-based test; a score of 90 or above is required for the internet-based test. A minimum acceptable score of 7.0 is required for IELTS. A minimum acceptable score of 61 is required for the PTE. However, International applicants may move forward in the application process with a 6-6.5 IELTS score or 75-89 TOEFL score. If all other admission requirements are met, they would be granted conditional admission, enroll as a CWRU student and take English courses for either 1 or 2 semesters followed by re-taking the TOEFL. If they achieve a 90 or higher on the TOEFL exam, they would then be granted full admission status in the PhD in nursing program and be able to begin their PhD nursing courses at that time. Learn more: case.edu/international/AEP/ or nursing.case.edu/apply/international/</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Affidavit of Financial Support</p> <p>Evidence of sufficient funds to support the student throughout their entire program is required by the student or by obtaining a sponsor who can provide documentation of their ability to cover all educational costs. Financial support needed for the 2014-2015 academic year is estimated at \$50,718.00 This amount includes living expenses. Letters from foundations or national government agencies will be accepted.</p>



If you have questions:

Phone: 216-368-2529

Email: admissionsfpb@case.edu

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STATEMENT OF PROPOSED STUDY & ESSAY PhD Program

Please respond in essay form to the following questions. Each question should be on a separate page (no more than 3 pages total).

1. Discuss the research focus you would like to pursue in the PhD program and describe one researchable program in that focus area. Please identify which one or two of our areas of research expertise your area of research would fit. Faculty research can be found at: nursing.case.edu/research/areas
2. Discuss your educational and professional goals, short- and long-term, and how the PhD program will help you to reach these goals.
3. Discuss the rationale for your interest in doctoral studies at Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing and Case Western Reserve University. Describe how our faculty's research expertise can facilitate your research and professional goals. Name one or two faculty who you believe might best assist you in meeting your goals and explain how.

Please upload your three essay answers with your application.

If you have any problems uploading this document, you may also send it directly to the FPB Admissions Coordinator at admissionsfpb@case.edu