PhD Alumni Survey

*1. Year and Semester of graduation

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2. Why did you choose to complete the PhD/DNS degree? Please choose all that apply:

Prospect of a better job

Knew that I needed to learn more

To attain the research terminal degree in my field

Other (please specify)

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3. How was FAU's PhD/DNS program particularly helpful to you? Please choose all that apply:

Caring philosophy

Faculty

Classes were well scheduled between face to face and on line

Fellow students

Opportunities to work with faculty on research

Other (please specify)

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4. Which of the following applied to your research practicum experience? Please choose all that apply:

This experience helped me to understand the research process

This experience made me a better researcher

This experience was not very useful for me

This experience provided me with a new understanding of faculty research

The experience was too long

The experience was too brief to make a difference

I needed more background and coursework before completing my research hours

I received sufficient mentoring from the faculty during this experience

I would have appreciated more direct involvement of faculty

Other (please specify)

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5. How do you think having a PhD/DNS degree will help you in the future? Please choose all that apply:

It has prepared me for leadership roles in health care

It will help me to attain my goal of securing a tenure track faculty role

I will be better able to advance the discipline of nursing through well-designed research

It will help me to honor the profession through engagement in meaningful nursing leadership activities

It will enable me to compete for a higher salary

I am not sure how it will help me in the future

Other (please specify)

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6. What was the value of the dissertation?

I acquired beginning research skills

I was able to study something I cared about

It was simply one more assignment

I acquired the skills to conduct research independently

Other (please specify)

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7. Which of the following best describes how your knowledge of research has changed since completing the PhD/DNS program?

I am able to design and conduct both qualitative and quantitative studies

I am better able to participate in the academic community

I am energized to do research and would like more research experience

Other (please specify)

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8. I am able to conduct research that honors the inherent calls in nursing situations.

Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree

9. I am able to design research that incorporates complex patterns of knowing.

Strongly disagree   Disagree   Neutral   Agree   Strongly Agree

10. I am better able to collaborate with other scholars outside the discipline of nursing.

Strongly disagree   Disagree   Neutral   Agree   Strongly Agree

11. I am able to design and conduct research to transform complex healthcare systems.

Strongly disagree   Disagree   Neutral   Agree   Strongly Agree

12. I understand the importance of theory to the research process.

Strongly disagree   Disagree   Neutral   Agree   Strongly Agree

13. My research methods incorporate cultural humility, valuing human dignity, and appreciation of policies that affect the lives of populations of interest.

Strongly disagree   Disagree   Neutral   Agree   Strongly Agree

14. I have developed expertise as a researcher for a particular population within the context of lifespan development.

Strongly disagree   Disagree   Neutral   Agree   Strongly Agree

15. I am able to interpret and utilize research findings relevant to nursing practice grounded in caring.

Strongly disagree   Disagree   Neutral   Agree   Strongly Agree

16. I seek out caring environments in which I can grow as a nurse scholar.

| Strongly disagree | Disagree | Neutral | Agree | Strongly Agree |

17. Which of the following best describes your experience of attending classes?

I liked the format of meeting on campus once a month with Blackboard support (Hybrid format)

I would like to have met face to face more often

I would like to have met face to face less often

I did not like using Blackboard

18. Select the response that best defines your mentor relationship:

My mentor was available and willing to help.

It was difficult to develop rapport with my mentor.

My mentor was too busy to meet with me.

My mentor was not interested in my research area.

Other (please specify)

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19. Since beginning the PhD/DNS program, I have submitted __ manuscripts to journals for review.

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1

2

3

more than 3

20. Since beginning the PhD/DNS program, I have published __ articles in peer reviewed journals.

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1

2

3

more than 3

21. If you have published, was the article based on your dissertation?

Yes

No

22. Since beginning the PhD/DNS program, my grant experience consists of:

I have not applied for a research grant

I have applied for a grant but not to support research

I have applied for a research grant from a foundation

I have applied for a grant from the federal government

I have received funding for other work (not research)

I have received grant funding for research from:

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23. Have you changed position/roles since graduation?

Yes

No

24. What do you wish you had learned more about in your PhD/DNS program?

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25. What were the strengths of the PhD/DNS program?

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26. What were areas for improvement of the PhD/DNS program?

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27. Are you actively engaged in research?

Yes

No

If yes, please describe:

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