Financial Support:

- Tuition & fees waiver for three years (~$25,421 value)
- Medical insurance for three years (~$10,092 value)
- Research, books, travel & conference support for three years (~$23,391 value)
- Scholar stipend for three years (~$66,096 value)

Program Details:

- TWO Future of Nursing Scholars (FNS) positions available for MSN prepared nurses
- PhD completed through interactive and synchronous coursework, research, and annual on-campus institutes
- Full-time enrollment required to complete degree in THREE YEARS
- Curriculum includes Foundational Core, Substantive Science Core, Individual Specialty Area including Interdisciplinary Collateral Courses, Faculty-Mentored Research Practica & Dissertation
- Faculty monitor progress benchmarks each semester
- RWJF sponsored summer institutes with primary mentor
- Opportunity for 1-year post-doctoral research funding

Application Steps:

1. Apply to the MU Sinclair School of Nursing PhD program by February 15, 2016. nursing.missouri.edu/apply/phd/index
2. Future of Nursing Scholar application - Deadline is March 1, 2015 nursing.missouri.edu/academics/phd/forms.php
3. Submit the RWJF Future of Nursing Scholar application to: Linda Huether S214 School of Nursing Columbia, MO 65211
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Fewer than 1 percent of the nursing workforce have a PhD in nursing or a related field. To meet the demand for a larger, more diverse group of nurse faculty, nurse scientists, and nurse leaders, the number of PhD-prepared nurses needs to grow substantially.

The Future of Nursing Scholars program will create a large and diverse group of PhD-prepared nurses committed to long-term leadership and research careers that advance science, strengthen nursing education and bring transformational change to health care. The program provides scholarships, mentoring, and leadership development activities, as well as postdoctoral research support to build the capacity of this select group of future nurse leaders.

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