Transfer from Masters to PhD

It is possible for exceptional students enrolled in the University of Ottawa MScN program to request a transfer into the PhD program. The transfer must take place no later than by the end of the fourth session of study. The application deadline for such a transfer is the first Monday of May.

Eligibility Criteria and Process:

1. The student must have completed the four core master’s courses with a CGPA of at least 8.0.
2. The student submits the following documents for approval of the Graduate Programs Committee of the School of Nursing to the Faculty of Health Sciences
   a. Two letters of recommendation. One may be from a clinical supervisor, and at least one must be an academic reference that addresses the candidate’s potential for doctoral studies, as indicated by their research and leadership (ideally it is better if both are academic references);
   b. An up-to-date curriculum vitae;
   c. Narrative statement (maximum 3 pages or 900 words) describing:
      • How the PhD in Nursing will enable you to achieve your career goals;
      • A brief description of the proposed research project including statement of the research problem, justification of research project, relevance for the nursing profession and an overview of the study design.
   d. A signed letter from a potential thesis supervisor supporting the student’s application and indicating willingness to supervise the potential candidate’s research.