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Spring 2016 in the Department!



Dr. Lynn Parsons

Welcome from the chair!

The spring 2016 semester was an extremely busy one in our Department of Nursing! We are putting forward initiatives to increase

enrollment head count in all of our programs. In our Associate Degree Nursing Program (ADNP) we have placed standardized exams for Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN) to challenge out of the 1st semester of the program. Read more about this in Dr. Teresa Howell's ADNP column. Dr. Teresa Ferguson, Assistant Program Coordinator, Mt. Sterling satellite campus, led faculty teaching in the Associate Degree program in updating the Systematic Program Evaluation (SPE) plan to reflect changes made in the new concept-based nursing curriculum. Additionally, Dr. Ferguson was instrumental in helping alter the physical plant space at the Mt. Sterling Campus (Clay Community Center) to increase the clinical lab square footage to accommodate students in the learning lab. Read about our BSN program expansion in Dr. Kim Clevenger's column for our traditional BSN nursing program. Dr. Lucy Mays has mobilized nursing faculty to update the Online RN-BSN curriculum and has added new courses on Health Care Delivery and Quality Management. We are moving forward with the plan to open a Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) degree program with a Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) focus in 2017. Our MSN/FNP program plan is posted on the Council on Postsecondary Education (CPE) website. Exciting programmatic changes have been explained in greater detail in the Program Coordinators and Assistant Program Coordinator reports within the newsletter.

Congratulations to Chad Rogers who was awarded tenure this year! Dr. Lucy Mays was promoted to the rank of professor. Nice work Chad and Lucy!

This year we welcome our new Dean for the College of Science! Dr. Wayne C. Miller joins us from West Virginia. Please learn about Dr. Miller's background which is shared within the newsletter.

We have two new full-time nursing faculty colleagues joining our team this coming fall 2016. Georgette Greene worked with us part-time and joins us as an Instructor of Nursing. Georgette will teach medical-surgical nursing classes. She will graduate this summer with her MSN with a Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) focus. Her clinical background includes emergency and critical care nursing. Telissa Frazier will also join the nursing faculty this fall and her primary responsibilities will be teaching mental-health nursing. Telissa's MSN focus was Nursing Education. She has extensive experience in acute care nursing including cardiovascular and emergency nursing.

This summer we hosted Roger's Explorer students from across the Com-

monwealth. These 9th grade students express an early interest in science, technology, and mathematics. This program helps students start the journey into in-demand careers.

Additionally we welcomed high school juniors and seniors in the Rural Healthcare Scholars program on July 26. This program provides additional support to high school students interested in pursuing the health professions. This is a competitive applicant program that shares what students can expect in college-level health programs.

The Department of Nursing will host our annual Community Advisory Board meeting on Friday, October 9, 2016 in the CHER Building DeMoss Conference Center, Room 102 A-D @ 10:00 a.m. Please review the roster of our advisory board members within this newsletter. We look forward to working with our partners across the Morehead State University campus and within our community to move our nursing programs forward!



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ADN Coordinator's Report

Greetings from the Associate Degree in Nursing Program (ADN)!

The ADN accepted the first cohort of students into the new concept-based nursing curriculum in Spring 2016 through a competitive admission process. The concept-based curriculum promotes student centered learning to actively involve students in the classroom. Student engagement is fostered by "flipping the classroom" through the use of unfolding case studies, high fidelity simulation, virtual learning environments, etc.



Dr. Teresa Howell

In May 2016, 22 students graduated from the Morehead Campus and 7 from the Mt. Sterling Campus. The Graduate Reception was held on May 2nd in the Gerald DeMoss Conference Room in the Center for Health Education and Research (CHER). Several awards were presented. The award for the highest score on the HESI RN-Exit Exam was presented to Miranda Fugate at the Morehead Campus and Lisa Conkright at the Mt. Sterling Campus. St. Claire Regional Medical Centers Excellence in Nursing Award was presented to Derrick Kiser. This award is presented to a graduate of the Associate Degree Program who has demonstrated superior bedside nursing skills. The Highlands Regional Academic Award was presented to Derrick Ritchie. The Community Service Award was presented to Kristen Hall. Trevor Howard received the Art of Nursing Award. This award is voted on by students and faculty as the graduate they would most want to care for them or their family.

The ADN faculty and students serve the community through several service-learning endeavors. This year marked the 10th Anniversary of Camp SMILE (Sharing Memories in a Loving Environment) a collaborative effort with St. Claire Regional Hospice. Dr. Teresa Howell, Dr. Nathania Bush, Dr. Lynn Parsons and 28 students participated in the camp this year. A record high 70 campers attended Camp SMILE this year.

The ADN works internationally to provide care to a medically underserved population in Haiti through a partnership with Children's Lifeline International. Faculty members Dr. Michele Walters and Amy Brown lead a medical mission during Spring Break 2016 to Haiti with 10 nursing students participating.

Congratulations to tenured faculty member Amy Brown who completed a post-certificate degree from Eastern Kentucky University and is now a board certified Family Nurse Practitioner, FNP-C.

ADN Assistant Coordinator's Report - MSU at Mt. Sterling Campus

Greetings from the Associate Degree in Nursing Program (ADN) MSU - Mt. Sterling campus!

Students evaluate resources each semester as part of the Systematic Plan of Evaluation (SPE). Findings from this survey identified that additional laboratory space would be beneficial at the Clay Community Center. Through collaboration with Gwen Sloas and Michelle Buckley, I am pleased to announce that the ADN is expanding laboratory space at the Mt. Sterling Campus. This additional laboratory space will be designated for ADN nursing students to practice skills and demonstrate skills competency. Both laboratory rooms will be equipped with high/low fidelity simulation equipment in order to facilitate student learning. This will allow a more flexible scheduling of campus labs for students throughout the curriculum. Michelle Buckley, Academic Resource and Lab Coordinator at the Mt. Sterling Campus completed a Master of Science in Nursing Education Degree from Northern Kentucky University (NKU) this past spring. Congratulations Michelle!



Dr. Teresa Ferguson

The Associate Degree Nursing Program would like to welcome Mr. Dennis McKay as Interim Director of MSU at the Mt. Sterling Campus! Dennis is transferring from the MSU Enrollment Services Department and is a Morehead State alumni.



Greetings from the Bachelor of Science Nursing Program!



Dr. Kim Clevenger

As we close out the spring semester and prepare for the start of the fall semester, I wanted to share some exciting things that have occurred in the BSN program!

Twice a Year Admissions

The Spring 2015 MSU Self Study recommended that the BSN pre-licensure program prepare a plan for a two cohort per year admission cycle due to the increased number of qualified applicants over the last few years. The proposed plan was submitted and approved during the spring 2016 semester! We are pleased to announce that we will be implementing a two cohort admission cycle per year during the 2016-2017 academic year. A two cohort system will facilitate placement of qualified applicants, increase the number of baccalaureate degrees awarded by MSU and assist the profession of nursing in meeting the IOM recommended 80% of nurses in the United States hold at least a baccalaureate in nursing (BSN) by the year 2020. Help us spread the word in the community about the expansion of the BSN program! We will continue to accept 60 students each fall and will be accepting up to 60 students for the January 2016 admission cohort. We are currently accepting applications for the January 2016 cohort; help us spread the word!

Curriculum Revision

As I shared in the fall 2015 newsletter, the BSN program submitted several curriculum changes to the University curriculum committee and we are happy to announce that those revisions were approved and will be implemented during the 2016-2017 academic year. The curriculum changes approved include the following: the total number of hours required for the BSN

program decreased from 121 total credit hours to 120 credit hours; the addition of a standalone pharmacology course (NURB 318 Pharmacology and the Nursing Process), the increase in the total number of credit hours for NURB 260 Health Promotion and NURB 326 Advanced Health Assessment from 2 to 3 credit hours; and the elimination of NURS 345 Global Health and the elimination of a NURS elective.

Faculty Accomplishments



Chad Rogers

There were many faculty accomplishments during the past academic year as all of our faculty continue to take part in service and scholarly activities. Congratulations to Chad Rogers, MSN, RN who completed his post masters certification in NKU's Family Nurse Practitioner track.

2016 NCLEX Passage Rate



BSN Class of 2016

The BSN program has an unofficial NCLEX passage rate of 97% for the May 2016 graduates! The BSN program is very proud to offer quality programming for students from the service region and beyond. Our graduates are employed by area health care facilities and throughout the nation. We are very proud of our graduates and their contribution to the region.

Students and Faculty Giving Back to the Community

Our BSN students and faculty continue to provide multiple community health fairs, presented health education programs in local public and

private schools, presented their research, participated in community service in conjunction with Camp Smile, Kentucky State Police Trooper Island, "Oh Baby it's a Baby Shower" sponsored in conjunction with UK Healthcare, AHEC, and St. Claire Regional Medical Center, March of Dimes Walk, and assisted in the continued relief efforts in Haiti in conjunction with Children's Lifeline International. We are so proud of our graduates, current students and faculty.



MSU BSN Class of 2016
Providing Community Service
at Trooper Island

New Addition to Our Department



Dr. Nathania Bush
and service dog Lisa

In the Spring 2016 semester the MSU Department of Nursing welcomed Lisa, a certified service dog. Dr. Nathania Bush is the co-sponsor of Lisa and uses her with nursing students to reduce stress and anxiety while in nursing class and she also uses Lisa in a variety of community settings. Lisa worked as a bereavement therapy dog at Camp SMILE 2016 and works at Windsor Care Center providing support to the residents at that facility. She has been a welcomed addition to the MSU family.

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BSN Class of 2016

Faculty & staff celebrated the academic accomplishments of our baccalaureate graduates with a graduate recognition ceremony held in Button Auditorium on May 13th.



Greetings from the Online Nursing Programs!

Greetings from the online Post-Licensure Baccalaureate Nursing Program! Implementation of the newly revised curriculum began during the fall 16 semester. All online nursing courses have also been converted into eight week modules. Students have responded very favorably to the new curriculum and to the eight week module format. Eight week modular courses facilitate the educational needs of students who have full time employment. Our newly revised curriculum meets the learning needs of post-licensure students and the eight week modular courses facilitate the educational needs of students who have full time employment.



Dr. Lucy Mays

We have streamlined our admission process to only include an active and unencumbered license to practice as a registered nurse in Kentucky. We are striving to remove barriers to provide a pathway for post-licensure nurses to continue their education and thus improve health care outcomes and career options. We are very excited about our post-licensure programming. We plan to offer winter programming from December 15, 2016 to January 15, 2017 to further accommodate student learning needs.

We continue to partner with St. Claire Regional Medical Center (SCRMC) to facilitate two cohorts of their employees to matriculate through the program. This has been a very productive partnership for MSU, SCRMC and for the matriculating students. We look forward to future partnerships.

There were 12 graduates from the Post-Licensure Baccalaureate Nursing Program for spring 2016. We have another 21 students scheduled for graduation in December 2016. We are very proud of our graduates and look forward to seeing the positive contributions they make to the health care environment.

The Department of Nursing is currently engaged in the process of securing approval for implementing a Master of Science in Nursing Program (Family Nurse Practitioner). The planned program is an online program that consists of 49 credit hours. The tentative implement date for the Family Nurse Practitioner Program is fall 2017. We look forward to providing graduate programming to better meet the needs of our service region and beyond.

College of Science



Dr. Wayne C. Miller
Dean, College of Science
Morehead State University

Dr. Wayne Miller joins us from neighboring West Virginia. Dr. Miller recently held the position of Director for the Center for Rural and Community Health (CRCH) at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine. He was responsible for all aspects of research, education, outreach and service for the CRCH. Prior to this position, he held administrative posts at The George Washington University Medical Center and Indiana University. Dr. Miller is an accomplished scholar. His program of research focuses on healthy weight management and weight loss. He has presented over 100 platform presentations, published over 70 papers in refereed journals, served as principal investigator and director for several funded grants and authored/coauthored eight books.

Dr. Miller previously served as treasurer and membership clerk for the International Society of Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity (ISBNPA). He was editor for *Healthy Weight Journal*, *Health at Every Size Journal* and associate editor for the *Open Journal of Preventive Medicine*. He is a manuscript reviewer and editorial board member for several refereed journals. He has served as director for many different exercise physiology labs throughout his tenure as an exercise scientist. We look forward to working and collaborating with Dr. Miller to advance our health related programs!

Advisory Board Members

The Department of Nursing has both a Student Advisory Board and a Community Advisory Board. We value input from our communities of interest. This year the nursing faculty and staff critically reviewed our membership and we welcome several new members to the Community Advisory Board. Board members represent the community, university leaders and the health occupations. The Advisory Board is consulted on a variety of issues which include but are not limited to need for particular programs, advice for acquisition of fiscal resources, legislative matters, technology information, and recruitment/retention and career placement of our graduates. Advisory board members include healthcare executives, practicing medical professionals, law enforcement officials, community and academic leaders and others with a stake in healthcare.

Advisory Board Members:

Ms. Angela Barrett, Clark Regional Medical Center, Winchester
 Ms. Annie Campbell, Education Dept. Clark Regional Medical Center, Winchester
 Dr. Gregory Corso, Psychology Department, Morehead State University
 Ms. Sandra Daniel, Education Dept. Our Lady of Bellfonte Hospital, Ashland
 Dr. Mike Dobranski, Mathematics Department, Morehead State University, Morehead
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 Ms. Tracy McFarland, Education Dept. St. Joseph Hospital, Mt Sterling
 Ms. Debbie Nolder, Program Coordinator, Maysville CTC, Maysville
 Ms. Drema Perkins, Director SCRMC, Morehead
 Ms. Tracy Rexford, Clinical Educator St. Joseph Hospital East, Lexington
 Dr. Dayna Seelig, KHIS Department, Morehead State University, Morehead
 Dr. Gwen Sloas, Asst. Director Residence Life, Morehead State University Craft Academy, Morehead
 Ms. Jennifer Smith, St. Joseph Hospital, Mt Sterling
 Dr. Craig Tuerk, Biology/Chemistry Department, Morehead State University, Morehead
 Ms. Arlene Willoughby, Education Dept., Windsor Care Center, Mt Sterling
 Ms. Lerae Wilson, CNO SCRMC, Morehead
 Ms. Lisa Wilson, King's Daughter Medical Ctr., Ashland
 Ms. Judy Young, Staff Dev Specialist VAMC, Lexington

2016 Academic Awards Banquet

The annual College of Science Academic Awards Banquet was held Thursday, May 05, 2016 in the Crager Room of ADUC.

The following students from the Department of Nursing were honored:

Samantha Royse from Hillsboro, Kentucky received the Outstanding Baccalaureate Nursing Program, Pre-Licensure Senior Student Award.

Britney Catron from Flemingsburg, Kentucky received the Outstanding Baccalaureate Nursing Program, Pre-Licensure Junior Student Award.

Anne Lawson from South Shore, Kentucky received the Outstanding Baccalaureate Nursing Program, Pre-Licensure Sophomore Student Award.

Pamala Roberts from Blaine, Kentucky received the Outstanding Baccalaureate Nursing Program, Post-Licensure Senior Student Award.

Joelle Craft (Not Pictured) from Olive Hill, Kentucky received the Outstanding Baccalaureate Nursing Program, Post-Licensure Junior Student Award.

Radney Bradley from Leitchfield, Kentucky received the Outstanding Associate Degree Nursing, Second-Level Student Award.

Kelsey Hughes from Van Lear, Kentucky received the Outstanding Associate Degree Nursing, First-Level Student Award.



Roger's Explorers

The Department of Nursing participated in the Roger's Explorers Regional program on Monday, July 25, 2016. Dr. Lynn Parsons welcomed 30 students who were in attendance from across the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Drs. Teresa Ferguson and Teresa Howell shared information about nursing and the health professions to these ninth grade students interested in science, mathematics and technology. The program goal was to support student interest in taking the journey toward a profession in high-demand health career fields.



Camp Smile



In April 2016, the MSU Department of Nursing & St. Claire Regional Medical Center Hospice celebrated the tenth year of Camp SMILE (Sharing Memories in a Loving Environment) at Camp Lyons in Bath County. Twenty-eight nursing students, Dr. Nathania Bush, Dr. Teresa Howell and Dr. Lynn Parsons participated in bereavement camp activities. The 70 children in attendance, ages 6-17, participated in therapeutic bereavement activities that focused on healthy coping skills, support systems, stages of grief, feelings associated with grief and acceptance of the loss. In addition to small groups, crafts and games the children were able to participate in activities provided at Camp Lyons.

ADN Graduate Awards and Reception

On Monday, May 02, 2016, the Department of Nursing Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) hosted a Graduate Awards and Reception to honor their nursing graduates. The graduates received special awards, recognitions, and scholarships.

Graduates were recognized for the achievement of their degree and their dedication to the nursing profession. Several graduates were also recognized for their performance in particular areas associated with the program.

*Excellence in Nursing Award - St. Claire RMC.....Derrick Kiser
 *Highlands RMC Academic Award.....Derrick Ritchie
 *Excellence in Community Service Award.....Kristen Hall
 *HESI Exit Exam Award - Morehead Campus.....Miranda Fugate
 *HESI Exit Exam Award - Mt. Sterling Campus.....Lisa Conkright
 *Art of Nursing AwardTrevor Howard

The Graduate Awards and Reception was held in the Gerald DeMoss Conference Room at the Center for Health, Education and Research (CHER). The welcome was given by Dr. Lynn Parsons, Department Chair. Dr. Lucy Mays and Misty Lilley presented information encouraging graduates to continue their education in the Morehead State University's Post-Licensure Baccalaureate Nursing Program. Dr. Teresa Howell, ADN Program Coordinator at the Morehead campus and Dr. Teresa Ferguson, ADN Assistant Coordinator presented the awards. The ceremony

Pre-Licensure and Post-Licensure Graduate Recognition Ceremony

On Friday, May 13, 2016, the Department of Nursing Pre-Licensure and Post-Licensure Baccalaureate Nursing Programs hosted a Graduate Recognition Ceremony to honor their nursing graduates. The graduates received recognition and awards.

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Pre-Licensure:

*Nursing Leadership Award - St. Claire RMC.....Abbi Chandler
 *Excellence in Clinical Simulation Award.....Samantha Royse
 *Excellence in Nursing Research Award.....Shelby Rosenberg
 *Excellence in Community Service Award.....Claire Doyle, Sarah Gripshover, Anna-Liese Hickam, Brittany Humphrey, & Mikayla Sherman
 *HESI Pharmacology Award.....Samantha Royse
 *HESI Exit Exam Award.....Samantha Royse
 *Outstanding Senior Students Award.....Samantha Royse
 *Art of Nursing AwardMikayla Sherman

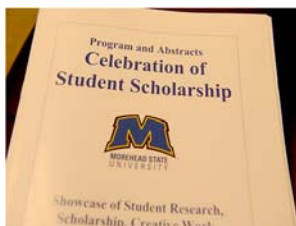
Post-Licensure:

*Outstanding Senior Student Award.....Pamala Roberts
 *Capstone Project Award.....Nell Blankenship & Betty Bussell

The Graduate Awards and Reception was held in Button Auditorium. The welcome was given by Dr. Lynn Parsons, Department Chair. Dr. Kim Clevenger and faculty recognized pre-licensure students and presented awards. Dr. Lucy Mays and Dr. Michelle McClave recognized post-licensure students and presented awards. The ceremony concluded with a benediction by pre-licensure student Hannah Gamble.



11th Annual Celebration of Student Scholarship



The 11th Annual Celebration of Student Scholarship was held in ADUC on Wednesday, April 27, 2016 and showcased the outstanding student research, scholarship, creative work, and performance arts of students and their faculty members. The celebration featured a number of posters spotlighting the efforts of 31 BSN juniors and their faculty mentor, Chad Rogers. Awards were made for presentations of Merit and Exceptional Merit, as recommended by a panel of faculty and staff judges.

- *Documentation of the Use of Chlorhexidine (Hibiclens) in Patients with Central Venous Catheters - B. Catron, K. Hobbs, M. Miles, & D. Palmer --- *Exceptional Merit Award*
- *Hospital Nurse Staffing and Patient Satisfaction - B. Childers, M. Cole, T. Dousay, & T. Hill
- *Improving Patient Satisfaction through Nurse's Communication - M. Butler, E. Hitt, C. Keylor, & C. Moore
- *Increasing Documentation of Decubitus Ulcers upon Admission - K. Horton, S. Peterman, & W. Walters
- *Intra-Hospital Pneumatic Tube Systems: Improving Patient Care through Technological Advancement - C. Paul, K. Smith, T. Spencer, & H. Weems
- *Smoking Cessation in Acute Care Facilities - E. Creech, H. McCarty, B. Newsome, & S. Raulinaitis
- *The Effect of Bedside Report on Patient Outcomes - Z. Bailey, E. Blair, B. Cochran, & S. Kremser
- *Ventilator Care Bundles and their Effectiveness in Reducing the Incidence of Ventilator-Associated Pneumonia in Intensive Care Units - J. Kellough, K. Perkins, H. Sullivan, & C. Walker --- *Merit Award*
- *A senior student, Abbi Chandler, received an award for Tutor of the Year.



Posters-at-the-Capitol 2016

BSN student Kyle Smith presented at Posters-at-the-Capitol held on Thursday February 25, 2016. Posters-at-the-Capitol is designed to celebrate the research, scholarly, and creative experiences of undergraduate students at Kentucky's public institutions of higher education. It provides students with the opportunity to present their projects to state legislators and to impress upon them the importance of faculty-mentored projects to the overall education of Kentucky students.

Session format: Paper

Session track: Health and Medicine

Title: A Lifetime of Healthy Living: Unifying Awareness of Healthy Living Among Appalachia's Diversified Community

Childhood obesity rates in Kentucky, including Rowan County, are much higher than the national-average, with the Centers for Disease Control reporting nearly 36% of children are obese. Childhood obesity leads to numerous chronic health problems including hypertension, Type 2 diabetes, and high cholesterol. Remaining obese into adulthood leads to further health decline and increases the likelihood of lifelong health problems. Nutrition and physical activity are essential to the prevention of chronic health problems, but creating shared perceptions of healthy lifestyles remains at the forefront of the nation's healthcare challenges. Change is clearly necessary, but how can this change be respectful of diversity and yet create unity in understanding of wellness issues?

Faculty Scholarship



Michelle McClave
Associate Professor

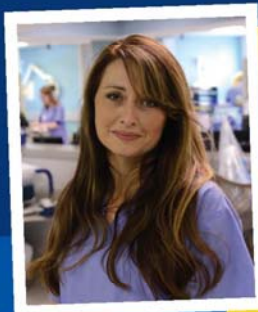
Michelle McClave, Associate Professor, recently transitioned from the Baccalaureate Nursing Program to Online Nursing Programs. In January 2016, she also began in the role of Online Faculty Liaison, assisting full-time and adjunct faculty with online courses, instructional design, and technology needs. This transition coincided with her December 2015 completion of Morehead State University's Ed.D. degree in Educational Technology Leadership. Her doctoral capstone was titled, *RN-BSN Program On-Demand, Online, Competency-based Education Modules*.



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Associate Degree Nursing Program, Paramedic - RN
Baccalaureate Nursing Program
Baccalaureate Nursing Program, Online RN - BSN



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Melissa King
West Liberty, KY
Junior, BSN post-licensure
St. Claire Regional Medical Center

Much more about you.

If you're interested in a nursing program that combines your compassion for patients with working knowledge about the latest medical technologies, Morehead State University is the place for you. The Department of Nursing at MSU will prepare you for a diverse range of careers in nursing. Our department has clinical affiliation contracts with more than 50 healthcare institutions across the state of Kentucky, including health departments, hospital hospices, long-term care facilities and more.



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For more information on nursing programs and transfer scholarship opportunities, visit

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If you're a working nurse who wants to take your education to the next level, Morehead State can help you achieve your goal with our online post-licensure nursing program.

The online program will give you the convenience to study in a way that fits into your busy lifestyle. You can "go to class" wherever you have an Internet connection.

To be admitted to the program, you only need to be an active registered nurse with no restrictions.

The RN-BSN online program is 8-week sessions and can be completed on a part-time basis for working RN's.



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*Melissa King
West Liberty, KY
Junior, BSN post-licensure*

Course Sequence

Assuming MSU general education and support course requirements have been met.

FIRST SEMESTER

NURB 327: Transition to Professional Nursing Practice (4 credit hours)
NURB 309: Health Care Delivery Systems (3 credit hours)
NURB 314: Health Assessment in Nursing (3 credit hours)
NURS Electives - 300 level or above (3 credit hours)
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 13

SECOND SEMESTER

MATH 353: Statistics (3 credit hours)
NURB 407: Population Health (4 credit hours)
NURS 349: Pharmacology (3 credit hours)
NURS Electives - 300 level or above (3 credit hours)
BIOL 336: Pathophysiology (4 credit hours)
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 17

THIRD SEMESTER

NURB 406: Evidence Based Practice (3 credit hours)
NURB 409: Leadership in Nursing (4 credit hours)
NURS Electives - 300 level or above (3 credit hours)
NURB 408: Quality Improvement in Nursing (3 credit hours)
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 13

FOURTH SEMESTER

NURB 421: Nursing Synthesis Practicum (3 credit hours)
NURB 499D: Nursing Synthesis (3 credit hours)
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 6

For more information about MSU's post-licensure nursing program, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/study/nursing_post_licensure.

Morehead State's RN to BSN program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education and the Kentucky Board of Nursing.



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Medical Mission Trips to Haiti

The MSU Department of Nursing faculty members continue to lead medical mission trips to Haiti partnering with Children’s International Life-line. This partnership began after the devastating earthquake on January 12, 2010. This year the department has traveled to Haiti on two separate team trips; December and March. Amy Brown, Dr. Nathania Bush and Dr. Michele Walters traveled to Haiti this past year as they have done on several occasions. Over 50 MSU nursing students, MSU nursing alumni, faculty and volunteers traveled providing medical care to over 2,000 Haitians. The nursing students receive a memorable and rewarding cultural experience.



For more information about the Department of Nursing programs, please visit www.moreheadstate.edu/nursing

Important Dates

August 15	Classes Begin
September 5	Labor Day (University Closed)
October 5	1st 1/2 Classes End
October 6-7	Fall Break
October 10	2nd 1/2 Classes Begin
November 2-16	Advance Registration
November 8	Election Day
November 23-25	Thanksgiving Break
December 5-9	Final Examinations

Alumni, please submit your news to be featured in the next Department of Nursing Newsletter - Nursing News. Send us the latest and greatest about you and your fellow classmates. Tell us about your employment, promotions, continuing education, and community involvement you are involved in. Nominate other alumni for the Distinguished BSN Alumni Award. Please send your information to Misty Lilley at m.lilley@moreheadstate.edu.

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