



UCF COLLEGE OF
NURSING
RECOGNITION
CEREMONY
SPRING **2024**

The Venue | May 1, 2024 | 5 pm

WELCOME



UCF COLLEGE OF NURSING celebrates the passage of undergraduate students into the nursing profession and honors graduate students for earning a certificate and/or master's or doctoral degree.

Undergraduate students are recognized with a medallion, while graduate students are draped with a hood.

ABOUT US

UCF COLLEGE OF NURSING

With a 40-year history of innovation and excellence, UCF College of Nursing is today ranked among the nation's best nursing programs and prepares nurse leaders in education, research and practice to ensure a healthier future for all. Renowned faculty, including global experts in healthcare simulation, critical care and mental health, lead the college's accredited degree programs that are offered from the baccalaureate to the doctorate at the main campus in Orlando, regional campuses in Central Florida and online.

COMMUNITY NURSING COALITIONS

The college began its community-based, service-learning nursing curriculum in 1997 when it established seven CNCs in Orange County.

Today, they reach 17 communities across five counties — from Flagler to Brevard and everywhere in between. Our baccalaureate and advanced practice nursing students and their faculty advisors make a visible difference by implementing valuable public health education programs and providing more than 30,000 hours of community service each year to Central Florida's most economically disadvantaged residents.

SIGMA: GLOBAL NURSING EXCELLENCE

Sigma is the international nursing honor society for global nursing excellence. UCF College of Nursing is home to the Theta Epsilon Chapter of Sigma. Members of Sigma can be identified by their purple honor cords worn distinctly over their black graduation regalia. Dean Sole and Drs. Aroian and Shattell have been inducted into Sigma's International Nurse Researcher Hall of Fame for their significant contributions to nursing science. Alumnus Ken Dion '91 is currently serving as president of Sigma's board of directors.

HONORS UNDERGRADUATE THESIS PROGRAM

Established in 1989, the Honors Undergraduate Thesis Program is the oldest and most prestigious undergraduate research program at UCF. Students research, write, defend and publish an original honors thesis. Today, the College of Nursing represents the highest proportion of students engaged in the program university-wide.

NURSING HISTORY



SIGNIFICANCE OF THE GONFALON

Every college at UCF has a gonfalon—a type of heraldic flag or banner. The term gonfalon comes from the old Italian word “confalone.” The images of the nursing gonfalon were thoughtfully selected to portray the spirit of nursing at UCF:

- **Torch**—representing leadership
- **Florence Nightingale’s lamp**—the global symbol for knowledge in the nursing profession
- **Caring hands**—the essence and foundation of our nursing discipline



SIGNIFICANCE OF THE NURSING PIN

The nursing pin dates back to the Crusades in Europe when knights provided service to others. The earliest form of the pin, the Maltese Cross, was worn on the tunic placed over a knight’s armor.

In 1855, Queen Victoria presented Florence Nightingale with the Cross of St. George in recognition of the care she provided British soldiers. The pin today uniquely represents the institution from which students obtain their professional education.



SIGNIFICANCE OF THE HOOD

The practice of hooding at graduation ceremonies also has medieval origins. Wearing the hood was traditionally associated with having superior knowledge. Throughout the Middle Ages, hooding became a symbol of the attainment of a higher degree.

The length of the hood is indicative of the degree attained. The color of the hood’s velvet edging represents the field in which the degree was earned. Apricot signifies a MSN or DNP, while dark blue signifies the PhD in Nursing.

OUR FACULTY

COLLEGE LEADERSHIP

Dean, College of Nursing Mary Lou Sole, PhD, RN, CCNS, CNL, FAAN, FCCM

Associate Dean, Academic Excellence Norma Conner, PhD, RN, FNAP

Associate Dean, Nursing Research and Interim Chair, Department of Nursing Practice Carmen Giurgescu, PhD, RN, WHNP, FAAN

Assistant Dean of Students Jessica Simmons, EdD

Interim Assistant Dean of Academic Affairs Stephen D. Heglund '12PhD, RN, APRN, FNP-C

Associate Dean for Simulation and Immersive Learning Mindi Anderson PhD, APRN, CPNP-PC, CNS, CHSE-A, ANEF, FSSH, FAAN

Chair, Department of Nursing Systems Mona Shattell, PhD, RN, FAAN

ENDOWED CHAIRS

AdventHealth Endowed Chair in Healthcare Simulation Gregory Welch, PhD (Computer Science), FNAI

Beat M. and Jill L. Kahli Endowed Professorship in Oncology Nursing Victoria Loerzel, PhD, RN, OCN, FAAN

Bert Fish Eminent Scholar Angelina Bushy, PhD, RN, FAAN

Chatlos Foundation Endowed Chair in Nursing Carmen Giurgescu, PhD, RN, WHNP, FAAN

Hugh F. and Jeannette G. McKean Endowed Chair Mona Shattell, PhD, RN, FAAN

Orlando Health Endowed Chair in Nursing Mary Lou Sole, PhD, RN, CCNS, CNL, FAAN, FCCM

NURSING PRACTICE DEPARTMENT

Mindi Anderson, PhD, APRN, CPNP-PC, CNE, CHSE-A, ANEF, FAAN, FSSH

Frances Armstrong, DNP, APRN, AGACNP-BC, AGPCNP-BC

Christopher Blackwell, PhD, APRN, ANP-BC, AGACNP-BC, CNE, FAANP, FAAN

Donna Breit, MSN, RN

Carol Burgunder, MSN, RN, CHSE

Angelina Bushy, PhD, RN, FAAN

Michele Butts, PhD, RN, CCRN-K, CNEEd

Fashonda Cook, DrPH, RN, BSN, MPH

Maureen Covelli, PhD, RN

Jennifer Crook, PhD, RNPhD, RN

Leslee D'Armato-Kubiet, PhD, APRN, ANP-BC

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Jonathan Decker, PhD, APRN, FNP-BC

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Sotos Djiovanis, MSN, RN, OCN

Kate Dorminy, MSN, RN-BC, PCCN

Nancy Duckworth, MSN, RN

Kelsey Gafka, MSN, RNC-OB, C-EFM

Jenny Garden, RN, MSN, CNOR

Latoria Green, DNP, MSN, RN

Frank Guido-Sanz, PhD, APRN, ANP-BC, AGACNP-BC

Peggy Hill, PhD, RN, CHSE

Mandi Houston, '20PhD, MHA, RN, CHSE'20PhD, MHA, RN, CHSE

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Hyojung Kim, PhD, RDN, LDN

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Sandra Kirkland, DNS, RN, APRN-BC, NEA-BC

Jacqueline LaManna, PhD, APRN, ANP-BC,

BC-ADM, CDECS, FADCES

Victoria Loerzel, PhD, RN, OCN, FAAN

Geraldine Luzincourt, DNP, MSN, APRN, FNP-C

Sarah Martinez, MSN, APRN, FNP-C, CCRN

Valerie Martinez, DNP, APRN, CPNP-PC, PMHS

Vicki Montoya, PhD, APRN, FNP-BC

Isaiah Moser, '22DNP, APRN, AGACNP-BC, EMT-P

Brian Peach, PhD, RN, CCRN

Melissa Radecki, PhD, RN, PCCN-K, CNE

Kim Scalise, DNP, MSN, RN, CHSE, CNE

Vivian Schutz, PhD, MBA, RN

Sarah Snyder, MSN, RN, CEN

Susan Soderberg, MSN, RN, RNC-NIC

Hannah Spencer, MSN, RN, CPN

Samantha Stephenson, DNP, APRN, CPNP-ACDNP, APRN, CPNP-AC

Sandra Sturgeon, MSN, RN

Michelle Tall, '21PhD, '17MSN, RN21PhD, '17MSN, RN21PhD, '17MSN, RN

Sarah Rose Thornton, '21MSN, RN, CCRN

Gregory Welch, PhD, FNAI

NURSING SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT

Kelly Allred, PhD, PMGT-BC, CNE

Annette Bourgault, PhD, RN, CNL, FAAN

Norma Conner, PhD, RN, FNAP

Christa Cook, PhD, RN, PHNA-BC

Christine Deatrick, PhD, MSN, RN

Veronica Decker, DNP, MBA, APRN, PMHCNS-BC, FNAP

Sandra Galura, PhD, RN, CCRP

Carmen Giurgescu, PhD, RN, WHNP, FAAN

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Erica Hoyt, EdD, RN, CNE, CHSE

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Linda Lopp, MSN, RN

Ayşe Malatyalı, PhD, MBA, RN

Donna Neff, PhD, RN, FNAP

Joy Parchment, '15PhD, RN, NEA-BC'15PhD, RN, NEA-BC

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Susan Quelly, PhD, RN, CNE

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Steven Talbert, PhD, RN

Ladda Thiamwong, PhD, RN

Patti Thielemann PhD, MSN, RN

Dawn Turnage, PhD, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC

Jennie Wagner, EdD, RN, MSN, MBA, CNE, IBCLC

Jayne Willis, '20DNP, RN, NEA-BC, CENP'20DNP, RN, NEA-BC, CENP

TONIGHT'S PROGRAM

5:00 P.M. — CEREMONY BEGINS

Welcome, Tradition of Ceremony, Videos	Dr. Brian Peach
Call to Celebration	Dr. Mary Lou Sole
Sigma	Dr. Heather Peralta
Orlando Health Student Excellence Award	Ms. Patty Genday
AdventHealth Mission of Excellence Award	Ms. Kathy Gover ^{'11MSN}
Parrish Medical Center's S.L.I.C.E.S. Student Nurse Award	Ms. Lisa Dickerson
Recognition of Student Organizations	Dr. Isaiah Moser ^{'17 '22DNP}
Doctoral Degree Candidate Hooding	Dr. Carmen Giurgescu Dr. Mona Shattell DNP Faculty Advisors
Master's Degree Candidate Hooding	Dr. Carmen Giurgescu Dr. Mona Shattell MSN Program Directors
Bachelor's Degree Candidate Recognition	Dr. Carmen Giurgescu Dr. Mona Shattell
UCF College of Nursing Alumni Chapter Welcome	Ms. Brandi R. Bryan ^{'17MSN}
Pledge for Professional Nurses	Dr. Fayshonda Cooks
Closing Remarks	Dr. Mary Lou Sole



The College of Nursing appreciates **Orlando Health** and **AdventHealth** for their generous support of the Dean's Excellence Fund and tonight's ceremony.

GRADUATES

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE *Nurse Executive DNP*

Annette Cherie Brown

*"Implementation of a New Graduate Orientation Retention Strategy:
A Quality Improvement Project"*

Faculty Advisor: Jayne Willis

Tara Elizabeth Castaneda

"Implementing a Charge Nurse Toolkit: A Quality Improvement Project"

Faculty Advisor: Jayne Willis

Alyssa Magen Frost

"Decompression Rooms: Reducing Burnout and Employee Stress"

Faculty Advisor: Jayne Willis

Denise Hernandez-Figueroa

"The Impact Of Nurse Decision-Making On Rn Retention"

Faculty Advisor: Jayne Willis

Kelly Lewis

*"Optimizing the Care of Patients Living with Diabetes Prior to Surgery:
A Feasibility Evaluation at a Tertiary Health Center"*

Faculty Advisor: Jackie LaManna

Kristie Leigh Power

"Increased Adverse Event Reporting: A Quality Improvement Project"

Faculty Advisor: Jayne Willis

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE *Advanced Practice DNP*

Beatriz Elizabeth Carmona Toro

*"Nurse Practitioner Delivered Brief Behavioral Therapy to Improve Sleep
Outcomes in Adults with Insomnia"*

Faculty Advisor: Vicki Montoya

Nicole Gottlieb

*"SMS Notification to Decrease NPO cancelations at an Academic
Ambulatory Surgery Center"*

Faculty Advisor: Steven Talbert

Alfa Simone Lafleur

"The evaluation of a transgender cancer screening toolkit"

Faculty Advisor: Christopher Blackwell

Teresa L. Lance

*"Utilization of Obstetric Hypertensive Protocol in Emergency Room to
Facilitate Timely Treatment and Reduced Length of Stay"*

Faculty Advisor: Peggy Hill

GRADUATES

Nancy Ellen Mather

"Clinical Practice Protocol: Improving the Assessment of Fatigue in Hypothyroidism"

Faculty Advisor: Sandra Kirkland

Anooja Philip

"A Pilot Study to Improve Nutritional Literacy in a Type 2 Diabetic population in a Primary care clinic"

Faculty Advisor: Leslee Kubiet

Jackie Darrell Ratliff

"HunterSeven Foundation: Military Specific Cancer Targeting Tool"

Faculty Advisor: Elizabeth Kinchen

Annette Torres

"Establishing a Text Message Reminder System to Improve Swallowing Exercise Adherence for Head and Neck Cancer Patients Receiving Chemo Radiation"

Faculty Advisor: Donna Neff

Adrienne Wallace

"Establishing a Standardized Safe Sleep Screening Practice to Facilitate Provider Anticipatory Guidance at Infant Well-Child Visits"

Faculty Advisor: Valerie Martinez

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE *Post-Bachelor's DNP*

Melissa Zsiga

"Improved registered nurses' knowledge of pressure ulcer prevention: A quality assurance project"

Faculty Advisor: Jascinth Lindo

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING *Healthcare Simulation*

Danny Joel Hernandez

Ashley Simone Sclavakis

Leadership & Management

Kaley Bogner

Aurelia Bunea

Nicole C. Curry

Alexandra Garst

Charissa Lynn Hampton

Joseph Dean Knapp

Emily R. Lewis

Patricia Lynn May

Tosha Means

Frederick Briones Ramos

Leah Kate Seitner

Robin Ann Smith

Nicole Raymell Strange

Erika Michelle Westerhold

Kathryn Elise Whitney

Ellen Wolf

GRADUATES

Nurse Educator

Kathryn Marie Bryant
Lyndsie Stalvey Cangelosi
Oksana Sasha Dwyer
Kellie Elaine Hernandez
Jessica Anne Keville

Alexandra Andriana Maltese
Shannon Marie Merritt
Dominic Montabon
Kaylee Jacqueline Nettles
Shana M. Randolph

Amber Rose Robinson
Samantha Ann Sherman
Sydney Taylor Spires

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE ***Adult/Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner***

Aksa Chacko
Ekaterina Grant

Reinaldo Luna
Sheneeza Ramnanan

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING ***Traditional BSN Cohort by Campus***

Cocoa Campus

Javiera Fernanda
Aracena Alvial ^{CL}
Daphney Neldy Augustin
Ashlyn Joelle Brunner ^{CL}
Gabriella Lynn Colucci
Evelyn Grace Constantino
Summer Lynn Ebdrup
Louien Balintongog
Ermita
Amirah Fernandez
Stephen Ronald Frederick
Morgan E. Gallo

Saudi Willodean Garcia-
Johnson
Jack Richard Groseclose
Renee Carla Henry
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Ava Kresic
Harli Jordan Mackinnon
Melanie Lynn Mahaffey ^{MCL}
Jason Joseph Mathew
Aniyah Love Moraza
Mariia Igorevna
Nuzhnaia ^{SCL}
Katelynn J. Oh

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Bianca Rella
Brianna Victoria Rivera
Alyssa Grisel Saenz
Valerie Saucedo
Mia Anne Slover
Shelby Rebecka Tencza
Melanie Torres
Vincenty ^{SCL}
Natalie Ann Trio
Anna Elizabeth
Rose Yartz
Alyssa Julianne Young ^{SCL}

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Haley Christine Auman
Joshua Gary Bautista
Samantha Grace
Camarillo
Kayla Amanda Brianna
Cambronne
Skyler Rose Cash
Rebekah Simone Clemens
Rose Eigg

Stephanie Elichme
Ricky Scott Esquivel
Sarah May Flaherty ^{CL}
Brittany Paige Fore
Kealani M. Fuata ^{CL}
Madison Lee Goode
Aubree Elizabeth Taylor
Goodnoe ^{CL}
Michelle Grimaldo
Erika Jaylin Guzman-
Zavaleta

Dream Marie Handy
Leilani Meilyn Harries
Camille Dyer Hebert
Audrey Mae Hiltibidal
Sophia Marie Honeycutt
Jacob Taylor Kent ^{CL}
Alanna Rebecca Kosharek
Ngoc N. Le
Jaiden Calio Mark
Juan Manuel Martinez ^{SCL}
Allison Elizabeth Nassar

GRADUATES

Christopher Ivan
Nieves^{MCL}

Andrew Patrick
O'Connor^{SCL}

Michelle A Parra Rojas
Gianna S Rivera

Arianna Michelle
Rodriguez-Merced

Dayanna Nicole Ruiz
Madison Kaeli Saenz

Jackson Daniel Smith
Michael Devon Thomas

Grace Alexandra
Thompson^{CL}

Rachel Madison Velasco
Arielle Brianne Westfall
Kristina Yiannopoulos

Adrianna Precious
Acheampong

Ahilyn Lyneth Aguilar
Reyes^{CL}

Nina Noel Alpert

Victoria E. Anger

Sophie Marie Araman^{CL}

Laura Giselle Barco-
Garcia^{CL}

Sarah Heike Beck

Sarah Jeanne Bell^{MCL}

Anna Katherine Bettis^{SCL}

Samantha Allison
Bhimsingh

Alysha Nandie Bhojnauth

Megan Rose Bilz

Brooke Logan Birkner^{CL}

Alondra Mercedes Bravo

Mykayla L. Brinkman

Kara Christine Buchanan

Rachel Julia Burkhalter

Abigayle Leigh Caballero

Olivia Taylor Carson

Molly Cheryl Chiaravalloti

Sofia S. Coker

Camry Brooke Colley

Russell James Connell

Mackenzie Ann Czurak^{MCL}

Teagan Kinsley Davis

Marissa I. DeJesus^{SCL}

Angelina Diab

Laine Marie Dietrich

Kevin Dominique

Lareesa Chanisse Elmore

Trinity Marie Eloriaga

Ariana Michelle Estrella

Isabela Sofia Fernandez

Brianna Corinne Ferrin

UCF Main Campus, Orlando

Jacqueline Andrea Ferro
Deborah Patricia

Antoinette Finegan

AnnaMarie Dorothea

Florek

Hannah Nycole Fulk^{CL}

Samantha Garcia^{CL}

Teodora Sasheva

Georgieva

Samantha Rose Gonos

Lyndsi Nicole Graham^{MCL}

Kimberly Marie Guzman-
Chew^{MCL}

Kelsey Aliena Helton

Anna Renee Henley

Quinn Riley Hensler^{CL}

Megan Carolyn Hiemer

Madison Claire Hoffman

Olivia Elise Hollingsed

Macie Marie Hunt

Marah Jolee Hunt

Christian Jalligao

Natalia Gabriela

Joanes-Cruz

Addison Paige Backus^{CL}

Yahav Keren Tzur

Abby Jane Kuczajda^{SCL}

Jamielyn Lanza

Cara Marie Lombardo

Alyssa Marie Loui

Erin Elizabeth Lutz^{CL}

Laura Joy Sorreda

Macaraeg

Diana Itzel Martinez

Rebekah Elaine May^{CL}

Anne Marie Menendez^{CL}

Olivia Isabella Miller

Nathan Andrew Moran

Lauren Munson

Ann Nguyen^{CL}

Hayley Nguyen^{CL}

Shelly Jean Nonnenberg

Madison Jean Nunez

Sylvia Chidera Obiagwu

Lauren Beth Pacewicz

Mia Elizabeth Parra^{SCL}

Vrunda Patel

Tiffany Jane Paver^{CL}

Faith Lauren Perkins^{CL}

Brianna Robyn Perry

Brittney Rose Perry^{CL}

Franchesca Kiara

Philippi^{CL}

Chanta Aaliyah Prince

Onalee Brena Rathjens

Brianna Mary Renner^{CL}

Eric Andrew Ritter

Seth Daniel Rivera

Castrangie Rodney

Ava Lane Rosselle

Nora Elena Sanchez

Jessica May Sayers

Savannah Christine

Schaeffer

Luke Schweitzer

Taylor A. Shaffer

Julia Marie Simonsen^{CL}

Niyati Sishodia

Taylor Ashley Smith

Taylor Patricia Snyder

Herlyn Soleno

Jade Kaia Steele

Kalaya Alexis Stutler

Alyssa Victoria Suarez

Hannah Paige Tatro^{CL}

Jaylen Nichole Taylor^{CL}

GRADUATES

Juliana M. Templar Vega
Alexa Torres
Kaylonda U. Turner
Lauren Rebecca Walker
Emilee Candice Waltz ^{CL}
Yesenia Teresita Ward

Marissa Paige
Wentworth ^{MCL}
Madison Elyse West ^{MCL}
Rachel Elizabeth West ^{MCL}
Morgan Taylor
Wheeldon ^{CL}

Haley Paige White ^{MCL}
Jasmin Natalia
Wieloszynski ^{SCL}
Mathew William Wilson
Jeremy Alex Zell

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING *Concurrent ASN to BSN Cohorts by Campus*

UCF Online, Florida College System

Brianna Danai Blair
Adriann Camel Caprice
Kayla D. Croney
Valerie S. Daniels
Melissa Marie DelBeato
Brianna Vontrice Dexter
Mariana Eisenmann
Anndrea N. Garvie
Kenya Geffrard
Ashleigh R. Houghton

Danielle Lisette Hughes
Jean Jose Lebron-Cueto
Giselle De la Caridad
Mendoza Bermudez
Karley Elizabeth Myers
Amanda Que Phoung
Olsen
Laura Nicole Quinn
Jonsie Rivera
Hannah Lynn Stephenson

Sushma Subedi
Samantha Jayne
Sunderwirth
James William Yumul

UCF Connect, Seminole State College

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Nyah Ashley Andrews
Grace C. Basye
Matthew Bedoya
Sarah Havilah Caristin
Katelyn Marie Casagrande
Steffi Castillo Roman
Daisy Corville
Madison Racquel
Crutchfield
Chloe Alyssa Daigle
Mason Edward Doak
Robert Tyler Dorr
Anestin Amor Duarte-
Vilchez
Jerry Lee Elisson
Albina Ermakova

Sofia Judith Esteller
Janel Tarea Floyd
Juliana Noel Georgi
Alexis Goliath
Jacob Leigh Goodstat
Matthew Jeffrey Heard
Arisa Tina Higa
Stephanie Marie
Honaman
Ashton Kay Kennedy
Tyler Allan Lafferty
Hunter Allen LaJeunesse
Mindy Tran Lieu
Amanda Michelle Mikulski
Morgan Elizabeth
Montanile
Kathryn Diane Moran
Rachel Nicole Noriega

Christina Maria Norman
Ivy Nyaboke Okero
Sophia Grace Orlando
Madeline Marguerite
Pachota
Amrita Narishma Persaud
Kierstin Marie Phillips
Valentina Quiroz
Daphanie Richards
Sebastian Sanchez ^{CL}
Bianca Shah
Gisselle Miriela Soto
Ronita Tranae St Felix
Laura Elizabeth Staudt
Garrison Lance Stripling
Katerina Stylianos
Natasha Fernandes Vieira

GRADUATES

UCF Connect, Valencia College

Andrea Sheldeen Antoine	Mike Julia Joseph	Samantha Rodriguez
Tamarah Benoit	Tiffany Dee Laboy	Samantha Rae Rosa
Dhanmatie Changa	Elsie Lynette Lugo	Madison Rose
Crystal Marie Johnston	Joviann Richards	Stephenson

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING *Post-Licensure RN to BSN Cohort*

Destiny Leanne Adams-Bennett	Leann Janae Ganthier	Taylor Stephanie Reid
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Jomai Abigail Soriano Banzon	Kristian Jude Gauvin	Marie Richer
Katelynn Nicole Book	Blaine Alderson Goodwin	Joshua Daniel
Morgan Brady	Troy Habeeb	Tuazon Rinosa
Nadia Caputo	Tanya Marie Herrera	Janzl Krystel
Jasmine Raquel Carter	Brandon W. Hurst	Billedo Saylon
Laura Marie Chambers	Morgan Alexis Jacobs	Zachary Michael Strait
Amanda Alia Christmas	Alice Glenna Jobe	Elizabeth Ann Toledo
Kalani Annmarie Colvin	Fanise Joseph	Camrynne G. Valmonte
Guill Coyle	Yelixa De Los Angeles	Katelyn Llorens
Emily Marie Dalton	Larios-Lopez	Velazquez
William Dalton	Blake Gordon Lemme	Micaeylah Aviella Villarico
Feline Damour	Samantha Allison	Blair Alexis Vitani
Samantha Jean DePaul	Madorma	Brittany Witkowski
Paige Madison Dougherty	Karina Martinez	Tashay Javonne Wright
Madison C. Duke	Marissa Anne McDaniel	
Moriah Elliott	Nicole Daniella Mendez	
Behice Ayse Ersen	Nicole Daniella Mendez	
Brianna Ashley	Teylar Michelle Mensing	
Fairweather	Sarah A. Miller	
Breanna L. Falla	Lauree Mahalia Mondesir	
Ana E. Fernandez-Posse	Erika Mulford	
Martha Foussianis	Victoria Rose Nelson	
	Catherine Michelle Parks	
	Cynthia Pineda	
	Jessica Helen Rafferty	

GRADUATES

BURNETT HONORS COLLEGE SCHOLARS *Honors Undergraduate Thesis Scholars*

Samantha Garcia

"At the heart of nursing: A literature review on health literacy education in nursing curricula and preparation for patient teaching encounters"

Chair: Dr. Dawn Turnage

Abby J. Kuczajda

"The Feasibility of a Nurse-led Psychosocial Intervention to Mitigate Depression in Adults with Cancer"

Chair: Dr. Veronica Decker

Juan Martinez

"Postpartum depression among Latina women: A literature review"

Chair: Dr. Amanda Houston

Rebekah Elaine May

"Breakfast Skipping in College Students and its Associations With Eating Behaviors"

Chair: Dr. Shante Jeune

Nathan Moran

"The Effectiveness of Toys as A Distraction for Procedural Pain in Pediatric Populations"

Chair: Dr. Kelly Allred

Sylvia Obiagwu

"Health Disparities in Post-Partum Pain Management: A Literature Review"

Chair: Dr. Kelly Allred

Brianna R. Perry

"Identifying Contributing Factors for Legal Placement Status in Involuntary Commitment and Voluntary Commitment in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry"

Chair: Dr. Heather Peralta

Brittney Perry

"Contributing Factors and Interventions for Increased Central Line-Associated Bloodstream Infection (CLABSI) Rates During the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Literature Review"

Chair: Dr. Christine Deatrick

Castrangie Rodney

"The effect of exercise on insulin resistance in women with PCOS"

Chair: Dr. Elizabeth Kinchen

Niyati Sishodia

"The effects of Kangaroo care on the stress levels of parents in the NICU"

Chair: Dr. Valerie Martinez

Hannah Tatro

*“Recognizing Risk Factors Of Bronchopulmonary Dysplasia In Neonates
≥ 24 And ≤ 32 Weeks Of Gestational Age”*

Chair: Dr. Michele Butts

Arielle Westfall

*“Palliative Care Integration into Critical Care in People
with Terminal Conditions”*

Chair: Dr. Leslee D’Amato-Kubiet

University Honors Scholars

Sarah Bell
Anna Bettis
Mykayla Brinkman

Mackenzie Czurak
Rebekah May
Andrew O’Connor

Brittney Perry
Jaylen Taylor
Marissa Wentworth

SCL = Summa Cum Laude MCL = Magna Cum Laude CL = Cum Laude

RECITE THIS PLEDGE

A PLEDGE FOR PROFESSIONAL NURSES

As I complete this phase of my professional nursing education, I pledge to:

- Care for all clients with compassion and respect for human dignity.
- Maintain confidentiality concerning the clients for whom I provide nursing care.
- Safeguard all clients from incompetent, unethical or illegal practice of others.
- Assume accountability for the quality of care I render, including my judgments and actions as a nurse.
- Maintain competence in my nursing practice.
- Collaborate with other members of the healthcare team to provide optimum care for my clients.
- Educate clients and the community about wellness and illness.
- Advance the profession of nursing by evidence-based practice, promoting standards of care, being politically active, and participating in professional organizations.

Adapted from Florence Nightingale Pledge and the American Nurses Association Code for Nurses

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CONGRATULATIONS!

During our time together, you have demonstrated commitment toward your patients, your community and the healthcare environment as a whole. You have made personal sacrifices to accomplish your academic goals. You have gained new knowledge and learned to make a difference by thinking in new ways and challenging the status quo.

You are the future of nursing—you are scholars, role models and nurse leaders. Thank you for letting us share in your journey of professional and personal growth.

We are proud to call you a UCF KNIGHT NURSE!

NURSING ALUMNI CHECKLIST



Congratulations and welcome to the Knight Nurse family! We look forward to staying in touch with you along your nursing career journey.

- Update your contact information and share your achievements.
- Connect with CON social media accounts. (see below)
- Create a LinkedIn profile and link your degree.
- Find your dream job by joining Handshake and the CON Alumni group on LinkedIn.
- Meet with a UCF Alumni Career Coach.
- Join the UCF College of Nursing Alumni Chapter.
- Pay it forward by supporting new nursing students.
- Help educate the next generation of Knight Nurses.

STAY IN TOUCH #KNIGHTNURSE

After graduation stay connected with the College of Nursing to receive invitations for alumni events, career links and continuing education opportunities. We want to highlight and share your achievements in our monthly e-newsletters and annual college magazine.



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