

CURRICULUM VITAE

Loureen S. Downes Ph.D., APRN, FNP-BC, Dip. ACLM, FAANP

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), College of Nursing, *University of Connecticut*, Storrs, Connecticut (2006)
Major: Nursing
Dissertation Title: *Motivators and Barriers of Healthy Lifestyle Behaviors*

Master of Science in Nursing (MSN), College of Nursing, *Florida Atlantic University*, Boca Raton, FL (1996)
Major: Nursing
Research Project: Domestic Violence

Bachelor of Science (B.S.), *Southern Adventist University*, Collegedale, Tennessee (1984)
Major: Nursing

LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATIONS/PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS

Inducted as a Fellow in the American Association of Nurse Practitioner (FAANP), July 2019-Present

Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner Florida License (APRN) # 1350642 exp. July 31, 2020

Family Nurse Practitioner ANCC Certification (FNP-BC), # 0282951, exp. August 31, 2022

Certified Diplomate of the American College of Lifestyle Medicine – (Dip. ACLM), 2017-Present

LEADERSHIP CERTIFICATES

Florida Gulf Coast University Leadership Diversity Program, Fort Myers, FL (2014)

National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties Inaugural Leadership Mentoring Program, Washington, DC.
(2014-2015)

CURRENT ACADEMIC EXPERIENCES

August 2016-Present Associate Professor, School of Nursing, Florida Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers, FL
Doctor of Nursing Practice-Nurse Practitioner Program – Founding Director
Graduate Faculty: Associate Member, Florida Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers, FL

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August 2006-August 2016	Assistant Professor, School of Nursing, Florida Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers, FL Graduate Faculty: Associate Member, Florida Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers, FL
August 2013-Present	Program Director, MSN Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner Program
May 2013-August 2013	Interim Program Director, MSN Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner Program

Key Performance Indicators as Assistant/Associate Professor

- Provide leadership for the Doctor of Nursing Practice Program
- Oversee DNP Program Admission and Progression
- Complete program assessment of student learning outcomes report
- Advance mission of University, College, and School of Nursing (SON) through academic leadership
- Coordinate teaching/learning activities in NGR 6638, NGR 6811, NGR 6002, NGR 6002L, NGR 6240, NGR 6240L, NGR 6741, NGR 6741L, NGR 6305, NGR 6305L, NGR 6252, NGR 6252L
- Guide and mentor nursing faculty and adjunct faculty
- Coordinate and progress Master of Science in Nursing Primary Health Care (MSN-PHC) curriculum development
- Oversee Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) proposal
- Assist with revision of DNP proposal for Florida Board of Governors
- Oversee DNP and MSN-PHC curriculum development and revision
- Maintain nurse practitioner board pass rate at 100% for MSN-PHC and DNP Programs
- Chair of Nursing faculty search and screen for MSN-PHC Program
- Participate in and support the Continuous Improvement Plan for the MSN-PHC and DNP Programs
- Advise and mentor MSN-PHC students and faculty
- Assist School of Nursing Director and faculty in preparation of reports and documents for accreditation related to the program and university
- Liaison with clinical agencies and community partners to secure and maintain clinical placements
- Provide leadership and support for SON Standing Committee and Ad Hoc committees
- Oversee MSN-PHC Program Admission and Progression
- Co-develop and teach interdisciplinary (nursing and social work) travel abroad course
- Serve as active member of University Graduate Affairs Team
- Provide leadership for College Faculty Organization
- Serve as an active member in community and professional organizations
- Represent the SON at local, state, national, and international events

Teaching Activities as Assistant/Associate Professor

Teaching/Instructional Activities:

NGR 7949L: DNP Clinical Practice (Summer 2018, Fall 2018, Spring 2019)

NGR 7974: DNP Project (Spring 2018, Summer 2018, Fall 2018, Spring 2019)

NGR 6638: Advanced Health Promotion (Fall 2017, Fall 2018)

NGR 6811: Advanced Nursing Research (Spring 2017)

NGR 6002: Advanced Health Assessment (Fall 2016)

NGR 6002L: Advanced Health Assessment Practice (Fall 2016, Fall 2017)

NGR 6002: Health Appraisal and Interpretation (Fall 2006, Fall 2007, Fall 2008, Spring 2008, Fall 2009, Spring 2010, Fall 2010, Spring 2011, Fall 2011, Spring 2012, Fall 2014, Fall 2015)

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NGR 6002L: Health Appraisal and Interpretation Practice (Fall 2006, Fall 2007, Spring 2008, Fall 2008, Fall 2009, Spring 2010, Fall 2010, Spring 2011, Fall 2011, Spring 2012)
NGR 6240: Primary Health Care I (Spring 2008, Spring 2010, Spring 2011, Spring 2012, Spring 2013)
NGR 6240: Primary Health Care I Practice (Spring 2010, Spring 2011, Spring 2012, Spring 2013)
NGR 6741: Primary Health Care II (Summer 2007, Summer 2008, Summer 2014, Summer 2015)
NGR 6741: Primary Health Care II Practice (Summer 2007, Summer 2008, Summer 2014)
NGR 6305: Primary Health Care III (Fall 2006, Fall 2007, Fall 2008, Fall 2011, Fall 2012)
NGR 6305: Primary Health Care III Practice (Fall 2006, Fall 2007, Fall 2008, Fall 2011, Fall 2012)
NGR 6252: Primary Health Care IV (Spring 2013, Spring 2014, Spring 2015, Spring 2016, Spring 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2019)
NGR 6252L: Primary Health Care IV Practice (Spring 2013, Spring 2014, Spring 2016, Spring 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2019)
NGR 6731: Entrepreneurship (Spring 2013)
NGR 6811: Scholarly Inquiry/Research (Fall 2012, Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Fall 2015)
NUR 3065: Health Assessment (Fall 2011)
NGR 6140: Pathophysiology I (Spring 2012)
IHS 4504: Research Methods in Health Care (Fall 2009, Fall 2010)
SOW 4279/6275: Ghana Travel Abroad Course Offering: HIV/AIDS and Human Rights (Summer 2014, Summer 2016)

PREVIOUS ACADEMIC EXPERIENCES

*August 2002 - May 2004 Graduate Assistant –Fellowship, School of Nursing
University of Connecticut, Storrs, Connecticut*
*August 2000 - May 2002 Assistant Professor, Nursing Department
Three Rivers Community College, Norwich, Connecticut*
*August 1996 - May 2000 Assistant Professor, Nursing Department
Palm Beach Community College, Lake Worth, Florida*

CLINICAL PRACTICE POSITIONS

2011 - Present Nurse Practitioner, Primary care,
Smart Health Care PA, Cape Coral, FL
2006 - 2011 Nurse Practitioner, Primary care,
Valerie C. Smart, MD, PA, Internal Medicine Private Practice, Fort Myers, FL
1997 Nurse Practitioner,
The Doctors Office, Boynton Beach, FL
1990-1996 Registered Nurse, Emergency Room, Cardiac Rehabilitation, Critical Care,
JFK Medical Center, Atlantis, FL
1987-1990 Registered Nurse, Cardiac Catheterization Lab / Intensive Care Unit
Seton Medical Center, Austin, TX
1985-1987 Registered Nurse, Special Procedures / Catheterization Laboratory,
ST. David's Hospital, Austin, TX
1985 Registered Nurse, Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory,

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Georgia Baptist Hospital, Atlanta, GA

- 1984-1985 Registered Nurse, Coronary Care Unit,
Northside Hospital, Atlanta, GA
- 1982-1984 Registered Nurse, Combined Coronary Care / Medical Intensive Care Unit,
Diagnostic Hospital, Chattanooga, TN
- 1982 Registered Nurse, Intensive Care Unit Sarasota Memorial Hospital, Sarasota, FL

SCHOLARSHIP ACTIVITIES

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Downes, L. S., Buchholz, S. W., Bruster, B., Girimurugan, S. B., Fogg, L. F. & Frock, M. A. (2019). Delivery of a community-based nutrition education program for minority adults. *Journal of the American Association of Nurse Practitioners*, 31(4), 269-277. doi:10.1097/JXX.000000000000144
- Downes, L. S. (2015). Physical activity and dietary habits of college students. *The Journal for Nurse Practitioners*, 11(2), 192-198 e.2. doi:10.1016/j.nurpra.2014.11.015
- Downes, L. S. (2012, April). *Integrating the conceptual change model as a teaching methodology*. Podium presentation abstract published in conference proceedings. National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties 38th Annual Conference Charleston, SC. **(National Conference Proceedings)**
- Downes, L. S. (2012, February). *Factors related to the health behaviors of college students*. Podium presentation abstract published in conference proceedings. Southern Nursing Research Society 26th Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA. **(Regional Conference Proceedings)**
- Downes, L. S. (2011, February). *The relationship between health behaviors and subscales of the Motivators and Barriers of Health Behaviors Scale*. Podium presentation abstract published in conference proceedings. Southern Nursing Research Society 25th Annual Conference, Jacksonville, FL. **(Regional Conference Proceedings)**
- Downes, L. S. (2010). Further validation of the Motivators and Barriers of a healthy lifestyle Scale. *Southern Online Journal of Nursing Research*, 10(4), retrieved from <https://www.snrs.org/sites/default/files/SOJNR/2010/Vol10Num04Art04.pdf>
- Downes, L. S. (2010). The relationship between diabetes and dementia: The impact of health behaviors. *Alzheimer's Care Today*, 11, 221-224.
- Downes, L. S. (2008). Motivators and barriers of healthy lifestyle behaviors: Development and psychometric characteristics. *Journal of Nursing Measurement*, 16(1), 3-15.

BOOK CHAPTER

- Downes, L. S. Textbook Chapter, "Pulmonary Tuberculosis and Jaundice Monograph" in Hecktor, L. (1999). Management Guidelines for the Adult Nurse Practitioner, F.A. Davis.

PEER REVIEWED PODIUM/POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- Downes, L. S., Iannone, A. & Faris, J. (2019, July). *Effects of low-cost evidence-based nutrition program on obesity in a worksite wellness initiative*. Peer-reviewed abstract accepted for podium presentation at Sigma's 30TH International Nursing Research Congress, Calgary, Canada. **(International)**
- Downes, L. S. & Kolisch, E. (2019, May). *A Pilot Nutrition Intervention for University Employees: Are You Eating Enough to Lose Weight?* Peer-reviewed abstract accepted for podium presentation at the 4th National Building Health Academic Communities Summit Conference, Columbus, OH. **(National Conference)**
- Diegel-Vacek, L., Corbridge, S., Downes, L. S., Gonzales, K., Moss, A. (2019, April). *Developing Sustainable Models for a Faculty Practice Plan for Schools of all Sizes*. Pre-Conference Proposal accepted for Podium Presentation at the 45th National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties, Atlanta, Ga. Annual Conference. **(National Conference)**
- Downes, L. D. (2018, April). *Nutrition as Medicine: Integrating Obesity Competencies in to a Doctor of Nursing Practice Curriculum*. Peer-reviewed Abstract accepted for poster presentation at National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties 44th Annual Conference, Indianapolis, IN. **(National Conference)**
- Medina, R., Young, C., Downes, L. S., Dahlem, G., Brooks, L. (2017). *Diversity in Academic Faculty: A Purposeful Plan for a Culturally Diverse Nursing Workforce*. Abstract accepted for panel presentation. 43rd Annual Conference of the Transcultural Nursing Society, New Orleans, LA.
- Downes, L. S. (2016, April). *A Tight Rope: Balancing Academe and Practice*. Peer-reviewed abstract accepted for poster presentation at National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties 42nd Annual Conference, Seattle, WA. **(National Conference) Won Poster Award**
- Sadighi, T. & Downes, L. S. (2016, January). *Navigating Through ICD-10: Curriculum Highlights*. Peer-reviewed abstract accepted for poster presentation at American Association of Colleges of Nursing 2016 Faculty Practice Pre-Conference, Naples, FL. **(National Conference)**
- Downes, L. S. (2015, October). *An interdisciplinary community-based pilot nutritional education program in a minority population*. Peer-reviewed abstract accepted for poster presentation at National Institute of Nursing Research 30th Anniversary Scientific Symposium, Bethesda, Maryland. **(National Conference)**
- Bruster, B., Downes, L.S. (2014, September). *Ghana: Human Rights and Social Justice*. Presentation at Florida Consortium for International Education (FCIE), Orlando, Florida **(Regional Conference)**
- Downes, L. S. (2013, May). *The relationship between Alzheimer's disease and type 2 diabetes: The impact of health promotion strategies*. Abstract accepted for poster presentation at National Conference for Nurse Practitioners, Nashville, TN. **(National Conference)**
- Downes, L. S. (2010, May). *Integrating lifestyle behavior counseling into clinical practice*. Poster Session at National Conference for Nurse Practitioners, Chicago, IL. **(National Conference)**
- Downes, L. S. (2008, June). *Psychometric testing of the Motivators and Barriers of Healthy Lifestyle Behaviors Screening Scale*. Poster presentation at the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners 23rd National Conference, Potomac, MD. **(National Conference)**

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Downes, L. S., Melkus, G.D., Chyun, D., Amend, A., Jefferson, V., Langerman, S. (2004, April). *The relationship between metabolic control and psychosocial factors in Black Women with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus*. Poster session at 16th annual scientific session at the Eastern Research Nursing Society, Boston, MA. **(Regional Conference)**

NON-REFEREED PRESENTATIONS

Downes, L. S. Bruster, B., Frock, M. & Gimirugan, S. B. (2015, April). *The impact of a community-based pilot nutritional education program in a minority population*. Poster presentation at the Florida Gulf Coast Research Day, Fort Myers, FL.

Iannone, A. & Downes, L. S. (2015, April). *Healthcare in the rural villages of Ghana through western eyes*. Podium presentation at the Florida Gulf Coast Research Day, Fort Myers, FL.

Downes, L. S. & Polk, M. (2008, April). *Health behaviors of a cohort of college students in relationship to motivating and inhibiting factors*. Poster presentation at the Florida Gulf Coast Research Day, Fort Myers, FL.

Downes, L. S. (2007, April). *Psychometric testing of the Motivators and Barriers of Healthy Lifestyle Behaviors Screening Scale*. Poster presentation at the Florida Gulf Coast Research Day, Fort Myers, FL.

Downes, L. S. (2003, April). *The experiences of Black Males who engage in health promoting Behaviors*. Poster session presented at the annual Scholars Day, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT.

Instructed "National Council Licensure Examination Review" (NCLEX) course for Educational Resources Incorporated, 1999

Downes, L. S. (1997). *Screening for Domestic Violence*. Continuing education manual. *JFK Medical Center*.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Downes, L. S. (February 2017). *Affordable healthy eating*. Invited podium presentation. Mentoring for Education Success Program. Florida Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers, FL.

Downes, L. S. (2015, April). *Diversity dialogues*. Symposium presentation at the 42nd Annual meeting of the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties. Seattle, Washington. **(National Conference)**

Downes, L. S. (2016, April). *How stress affects nutrition and how nutrition affects stress*. Invited podium presentation, Sanibel Island F.I.S. H. Sanibel Island, FL.

Downes, L. S. (March, 2016). *Eating Healthy on a budget*. Invited podium presentation. Mentoring for Education Success Program. Florida Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers, FL.

Downes, L. S. & Faris, J. (March, 2016). *Are you eating enough?* Invited podium presentation, Florida Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers, FL.

Downes, L. S. (2015, October). *Partnering in nurse practitioner education*. Invited presentation for Southern Gulf Coast Nurse Practitioner Council Nurse Practitioner Education Consortium in Fort Myers, FL

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Downes, L. S. (2015, October). *Nutrition and the pantry*. Invited presentation, Sanibel Island F.I.S. H. in Sanibel Island, FL.

Downes, L. S. (2015, April). *Panelist for diversity dialogues. Strategies for facilitating leadership development among diverse faculty members*. Presentation at the 41st Annual meeting of the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties. Baltimore, Maryland. (**National Conference**)

Downes, L. S. (2014, November). *Nutrition and health for women and families*. Invited presentation for the Sanibel Island F.I.S.H. in Sanibel Island, FL.

Downes, L. S. (2010, September). *Diabetes Prevention and Management through Lifestyle Changes*. Invited presentation, Mount Of Olives SDA Church, Brooklyn, NY.

Downes, L. S. (2009, November). *Hypertension*. Invited presentation. Lehigh SDA Church, Lehigh Acres, FL.

GRADUATE STUDENT PROJECTS - FACULTY ADVISOR AT FGCU

The following is a sample of graduate students' projects supervised at FGCU:

Nguyen, A. (2019, April). *Diabetes Education among the Vietnamese Diaspora*. Poster Presentation Florida Gulf Coast University 2019 Annual Research Day. Awarded First Place Outstanding Graduate Student Poster, Marieb College of Health & Human Services Deans Award.

Kaur, H. (2018, April). *Rivaroxaban versus warfarin in stroke prevention*. Poster Presentation Florida Gulf Coast University 2018 Annual Research Day. Awarded Graduate Student Poster 1st Place Marieb College of Health & Human Services Deans Award.

Kolisch, E. (2018, June). *Decreasing pediatric concussion through education*. Peer-reviewed abstract accepted for poster presentation at American Association of Nurse Practitioners 2018 National Conference, Denver, CO.

Anderson, J. (2017, August). *Predisposing factors influencing post-traumatic stress disorder in veterans: An integrative literature review*. Peer-reviewed abstract accepted for poster presentation at the Florida Nurse Practitioner Network Annual Conference 2017, Orlando, FL.

Settanni, J. (2017, August). *Can telemedicine improve the healthcare of the rural population of the U.S.?* Peer-reviewed abstract accepted for poster presentation at the Florida Nurse Practitioner Network Annual Conference 2017, Orlando, FL.

Medley, K. (August, 2016). *Exercise and cancer related fatigue in breast cancer patients*. Poster Presentation Florida Nurse Practitioner Network 216 Annual Conference, Sarasota, FL.

Frock, P. (2016, April). *Provider communication impact on behavior change in overweight and obese adults*. Poster presentation at the Florida Gulf Coast Research Day, Fort Myers, FL.

Deiber, C. (2016, April). *Breast cancer, depression and treatment compliance*. Poster presentation at the Florida Gulf Coast Research Day, Fort Myers, FL.

Carroll, C. (2016, April). *Obesity in shift workers: Metabolic and lifestyle risk factors*. Poster

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presentation at the Florida Gulf Coast Research Day, Fort Myers, FL.

Gutierrez, A. (2015, April). *Non-invasive neuromodulation: an innovating treatment for migraine headaches*. Poster presentation at the Florida Gulf Coast Research Day, Fort Myers, FL.

Newman, J. (2015, April). *The artificial pancreas: a promising horizon for type I diabetic patients*. Poster presentation at the Florida Gulf Coast Research Day, Fort Myers, FL.

Rager, A., Small, K., Garrod, B., Bruster, B., Downes, L. & Girimurugan, S. (2015, April). *Human immunodeficiency virus and men having sex with men*. Poster presentation at the Florida Gulf Coast Research Day, Fort Myers, FL.

Baker, L. & Sterious, A. (2013, October). *Guide to prevention and treatment for osteoporosis*. Poster presentation at Southern Gulf Coast Nurse Practitioner Annual Conference, Fort Myers, FL.

Tubbs, A. L. (2013, April). *Short sleep duration: A modifiable risk factor in childhood obesity*. Poster presentation at the Florida Gulf Coast Research Day, Fort Myers, FL.

Tubbs, A. L. & Welsh, M. R. (2012, October). *Health promotion and prevention strategies for type 2 diabetes*. Poster presentation at Southern Gulf Coast Nurse Practitioner Annual Conference, Fort Myers, FL.

SUPERVISED UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT PROJECT

Iannone, A. & Downes, L. (2015, April). *Healthcare in the rural villages of Ghana through western eyes*. Podium presentation at the Florida Gulf Coast Research Day, Fort Myers, FL.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Downes, L. S., Faris, J., E. Kolisch, Mouttet. *The Impact of a Wellness Program on Health Behaviors*. FGCU IRB Protocol 2014-24, Primary Investigator (PI).

Downes, L. S., Sadighi, T., Swayne, C. *Integrating Nutrition as Medicine in the Doctor of Nursing Practice Curriculum*. FGCU IRB Protocol 2016-103, PI.

GRANTS/AWARDS

- ◆ Downes, L. D. (PI), Melhado, L., Spiegel, R. (2019). 2019 Florida Gulf Coast University Advanced Nursing Education Workforce (ANEW) Program. Department of Health and Human Services Bureau of Health Workforce Division of Nursing and Public Health. (Funded Year 01: \$693,580, recommended future support subject to the availability of funds and satisfactory progress of project) total costs year 02 \$683,439.00, year 03 \$698,663.00, year 04 \$682,489.00, overall total over 4 years = \$2,758,171).
- ◆ Downes, L. S. (PI), Florida Gulf Coast University, Office of Research & Graduate Studies Small Grant for Preliminary Study (2017). *The Impact of a Lifestyle Education Program in a Predominately African American Community*. Funded \$4500.00
- ◆ Downes, L. S. (PI). Florida Gulf Coast University, College of Health & Human Services Inter-professional Practice Education / Practice Grant (2017). *The Impact of a Dietary Education Program among City Government Employees*. Funded \$4000.00
- ◆ Outstanding Poster Award (2016). *A Tight Rope: Balancing Academe and Practice*. Poster presented at the 42nd Annual meeting of the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties, Seattle, WA.

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- ◆ Florida Gulf Coast University Professional Development Grant. Awarded \$780. April 2016
- ◆ Downes, L. S. Florida Gulf Coast University Multidisciplinary Research Grant Initiative. (2015). *The Impact of a Lifestyle Education Program in a Predominately African American Community*. PI. Unfunded.
- ◆ Nominated FGCU Teaching Excellence Award, February 2015.
- ◆ Downes, L. S. (PI).Florida Gulf Coast University Multidisciplinary Research Grant Initiative. (2014). *The Impact of an Eight Week Lifestyle Education Program in an African American Population*. Unfunded.
- ◆ Downes, L. S. Florida Gulf Coast University Office of Research and Sponsored Programs Internal Grant. (2008). Impact of Nurse Practitioner Counseling in Primary Care, Funded \$5000.00
- ◆ FGCU Professional Development Grant. Awarded \$1500 to present poster *Psychometric testing of the Motivators and Barriers of Healthy Lifestyle Behaviors Screening Scale* at the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners 23rd National Conference, Potomac, MD, June 26-July 1, 2008.
- ◆ Recipient Yale-Griffin Healthy People 2010 Microgrant award, June, 2002.
- ◆ Recipient Yale-Griffin Healthy People 2010 Microgrant award, May, 2003.
- ◆ IMPAC (Individuals Making Personal and Academic Contributions) Award for Academic Excellence, Florida Atlantic University, 1995.

MANUSCRIPT/ABSTRACT REVIEWER FOR:

The Journal for Nurse Practitioners

Insight: Journal of American Society of Ophthalmic Registered Nurses (2014-2016)

Southern Nursing Research Society (2012)

Book Reviewer, Porche, *Clinical Practice Guidelines for Family Nurse Practitioners*

SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Service Activities: University

- President's Leadership Academy (2018-Present)
- University Senate Graduate Affairs Team (2007-2009; 2012- 2019)
- Student Health Services Executive Council (2015-Present)
- Human Resources Wellness Committee (2015-present)
- University Health and Wellness (2008-2011)
- Faculty Senate alternate (2010-2012)

Service Activities: College

- Active Member, Marieb College of Health & Human Services faculty Council (2013—present)
- Member, Marieb College of Health & Human Services Curricular Affairs Committee (2013–2020)
- Member, Marieb College of Health & Human Services Bylaws Committee (2011-2020)
- Chair College of Health Professions Faculty Council (2010-2011)
- Elected Chair-elect College of Health Professions Faculty Council (2009-2010)
- Chair, College of Health Professions (CHP) Faculty Council Bylaws Committee (2010-2011)
- College of Health Professions and Social Work Faculty Council (2006-2013)

Service Activities: School of Nursing

- Program Director, Doctor of Nursing Practice Program (2016-present)

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- Program Director, MSN-Primary Health Care (PHC) Program (2013-2018)
- Faculty Advisor, of founding DNP Student Organization
- Chair Admissions and Progression Sub-Committee DNP Program (2016-present)
- Member Graduate Curriculum, Admission and Progression Committee (2006-2012; 2015-present)
- Participated in the Self-Study for Accreditation for the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (2017-2018)
- Participated in Self-Study for Accreditation for Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (2016)
- Chair Graduate Curriculum, Admission and Progression Committee (2012-2015)
- Chair Admissions and Progression Sub-Committee MSN-PHC Program (2012-2015)
- Developed Florida Board Governor Review Summary for MSN-PHC Program Assessment Report (2014)
- Participated in revising Standard III for CCNE Mid-Report to maintain CCNE Accreditation (2013-2014)
- Chair DNP Curriculum Taskforce (2011-2015)
- Chair Nursing Faculty Search Committees - MSN-PHC Program faculty (2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014, 2014-2015)
- Member Search and Screen Committee Nursing faculty (2007, 2010)
- Participated in the Self-Study for Accreditation for the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (2009)
- Faculty Organization active Member (2006-present)

FGCU Search Committees

- Chair, Search Committees (5) for the School of Nursing 2011-2015 for faculty
- Member, Search Committee for Anatomy faculty
- Member, Search and Screen Committee for Neuroanatomist faculty (2010)
- Member, Search Medical Director of the FGCU Student Health Center, Summer 2009

Other Selected Academic Services

- Chair, Admission's Taskforce Committee, developed new admission criteria, Three Rivers Community College, Norwich, CT. (2001-2002)
- Developed department web page and trained faculty to use web-enhanced instructional software, Three Rivers Community College, Norwich, CT. (2001-2002)
- Participated in National League of Nursing Accreditation Self-Study Report, Palm Beach Community College, Lake Worth, FL. (1999-2000)
- Member, NLN self-study committee member Palm Beach Community College, Lake Worth, FL. (1999-2000)
- Member, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools faculty self-study Committee, Palm Beach Community College, Lake Worth, FL. (1999-2000)
- Chair, Curriculum Committee, Palm Beach Community College, Lake Worth, FL. (1999)

Service Activities: Community/Professional

- Secretary, American College of Lifestyle Medicine Advanced Practice Nurse/Registered Nurse Member Interest Group (2019-present)
- Chair, Credential Committee, Family Health Centers of Southwest Florida, Inc. (2017-present)
- Board Member, Family Health Centers of Southwest Florida, Inc. (2016 - present)
- Chair, Nominating Committee, National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (2017-2018)
- Member, Nominating Committee, National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (2016-2017)

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- Member, Annual Conference Planning Committee, National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (2015-present)
- Governance Chair, Tau Zeta Chapter Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society (2016-present)
- Member, Tau Zeta Chapter Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society (2006-present)
- President, Tau Zeta Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society (2011-2015)
- Member, Planning Committee, National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (2015-present)
- Member, National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (2006 to present)
- Member, American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (2007-present)
- Member, Lee Memorial Research Council (2006-2010)
- Member, Lee Health System Nursing Research Fellowship Subcommittee (2007-2009)
- Charter Mentor of Lee Memorial Research Fellow (2007- 2010)
- Southern Gulf Coast Nurse Practitioner Council Member (2006-present)
- FGCU Representative Southern Gulf Coast Nurse Practitioner Council Preceptor Consortium (2015-present)
- Leader, Lehigh Seventh-day Adventist Church Health Ministries (2007-2009)
- Member, Lehigh Seventh-day Adventist Church Health Ministries (2009-present)
- Participated in health screening and counseling at Lehigh Acres of SDA annual community health fair, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013
- Coordinated graduate nursing student participation in annual Florida Gulf Coast Health Fair, 2006-2011
- Presentations on selected health and wellness topics to community and church groups
- Participated in Health counseling at Omega Phi Annual Health Fair, 2009-2010, 2015
- Volunteer Instructor, CPR, and First Aid, *American Red Cross*, 1998-2000
- Volunteer Nurse Practitioner, *Caridad Health Clinic*, 1995-1996
- Volunteer, School Physicals, *Delray Full Service Center*, 1996
- Volunteer, Senior Place, *Florida Atlantic University*, 1995

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2016 - present	American College of Lifestyle Medicine
2016 - present	Florida Nurse Practitioner Network
2006 - present	Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society, Tau Zeta Chapter
2007 - present	American Association of Nurse Practitioner Formerly American Academy of Nurse Practitioners
2006 - present	National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties
2006 - present	Southern Gulf Coast Nurse Practitioner Council
2008 - 2013	Southern Nursing Research Society
2006 - 2009	Florida Nurses Association
1996 - 1998	Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society, Iota Xi Chapter