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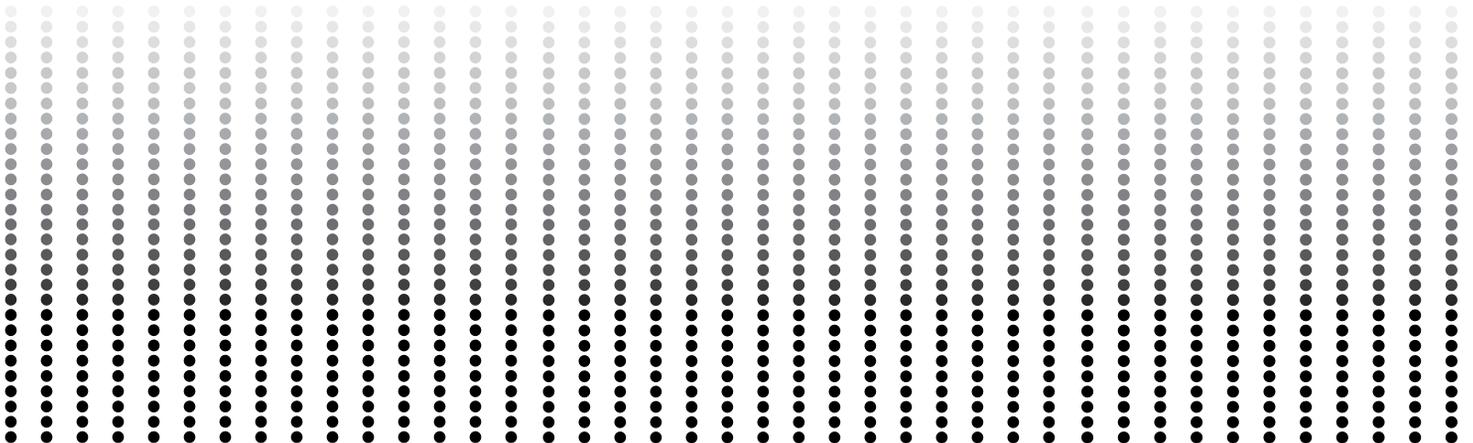
Greetings friends and colleagues! It's been over year since I began my new journey at Wichita State University and what an eventful year it has been! In my time at WSU I've met so many wonderful people in the School of Nursing and our health care community. I've had the opportunity to immerse myself in the culture and participate in events where I've witnessed firsthand the passion, care and commitment people have for our students and community. In the coming year, I look forward to connecting even more with Wichita State and building upon the hard work and successes the School of Nursing has achieved.

Although summer is a time where things typically slow down at a university, WSU has been bustling with activity. Take a look around campus and you'll see a number of new building and placemaking projects designed to encourage people to "linger longer" and explore the many offerings of WSU's campus. These exciting additions will help move Wichita State, and therefore the School of Nursing, in a positive and future-oriented direction.

I hope your summer has been well and you are refreshed and reenergized as we begin the new academic year.

Best wishes!

Dr. Voncella McCleary-Jones, PhD, RN-BC, CNE, ANEF
Associate Dean, College of Health Professions
Chairperson, School of Nursing
Harvard Macy Scholar
Fellow, Academy of Nursing Education



School of Nursing Updates

Medical Mission at Home

In April faculty and students volunteered at the third annual Medical Mission at Home event. Numerous faculty supervised undergraduate students assigned to the Screening and Triage area and Nurse Practitioner students assigned to the Medical Exams area. More than 200 community members received medical services and community resources at no cost. It was a wonderful day of service and fellowship. A big thank you to all the volunteers!



Nurse Practitioner Advocate Award

Congratulations to faculty member Jennifer Sebes for being selected as the recipient of the 2019 AANP Advocate State Award for Excellence for Kansas. This award is given annually to a dedicated advocate in each state who has made a significant contribution toward increasing the awareness and recognition of nurse practitioners.

NCLEX-RN Pass Rates

The Kansas Board of Nursing awarded the School of Nursing a Certificate of Excellence in recognition of the BSN program's pass rate being above the national average for first time NCLEX-RN takers for the January 1 – December 31, 2018 testing period. A big congratulations to the faculty and graduating class for this achievement! This is wonderful recognition for the hard work and excellent teaching of an awesome team of faculty, staff and students.

Faculty Member Inducted as AANP Fellow

Jennifer Rodgers was inducted as a 2019 Fellow from the Fellows of the American Association of Nurse Practitioners (FAANP). The FAANP program was established to recognize NP leaders who have made outstanding contributions to health care through clinical practice, research, education or policy. Congratulations on this honor!



Capitol Hill Visit

In March Dr. Voncella McCleary-Jones attended the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) Deans Meeting. She was joined on Capitol Hill by Drs. Cheryl Giefer, Director and Amy Hite, faculty member from Pittsburg State University, and Andrea, a Psych-MH NP student from Washburn University. She visited with our Kansas representatives to inform them and make requests for their support for items that impact nursing: 1) Reauthorize Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs, 2) Support Title VIII & Natl Inst. Of Nursing Research Funding FY2020 and 3) Support Higher Education Policies that sustain and preserve student loan programs, including nursing & graduate nursing borrowing limits. All the Kansas representatives and staff were welcoming and engaged on the issues impacting healthcare and nursing. Thank you to Representative Steve Watkins, Senator Jerry Moran and Senator Pat Roberts for their support.



Wichita Business Journal Table of Experts Nursing

Voncella McCleary-Jones participated in the Wichita Business Journals' [Nursing Table of Experts](#). She was joined by Abbey Elliott, director of nursing and associate professor at Southwestern College and Paula Fulgham, chief nursing officer at the Cancer Center of Kansas. Topics included challenges faced in the field of nursing, and some of the challenges to come, including a nursing shortage, and new and innovative ways to teach and train nurses to prepare for their first jobs.

Quality Matters

Rhonda Williams' course, NURS 346 received the prestigious Quality Matters certification. Thank you Rhonda for your work to enhance the quality of our courses in the School of Nursing!

Alpha Eta Faculty Inductee

Congratulations to faculty member Janelle Mayer, PharmD for being inducted to the Alpha Eta Honor Society!

Updates – continued

New Faculty and Staff

We are happy to welcome the following faculty and staff to Wichita State and the School of Nursing!

- ➔ Vanessa Jones
- ➔ DonYel Piggee
- ➔ Morgan Plowman
- ➔ Kristen Spainhour

Make a Difference. Become a Nurse.

Shocker Alumni featured a [story](#) on their LinkedIn page about the full spectrum of nursing programs available through Wichita State and WSU Tech.

Faculty DNP Recognition

Congratulations to our WSU Nursing faculty who successfully completed the DNP Program!

Lindsay Holman - *Evaluation of Patient Education on Post-Operative Pain Control and Patient Satisfaction*

Michelle Scheer - *Providers' Perspectives on Uncomplicated Headache Treatment in the Emergency Department Settings: Alternative to Opioid Pain Medication*

Chandel Baty - *Burn Care Bundle for the Initial Evaluation, Management, and Referral of Burn Patients in Rural Critical Access Hospitals*

Maryon Habtemariam - *Weight Perception and Barriers to Sustained Physical Activity in Obese/Overweight Adult Women*

Midwest HIV Grant

Faculty member Jamie Harrington received the Midwest HIV Grant that integrates HIV education into primary care provider's curriculum. The grant is \$10,000 for the first year and has subsequent funding of \$10,000 for every year for five years. The plan to integrate this into the existing FNP curriculum, with the purpose of increasing the amount of providers that are able to manage the treatment of individuals with HIV in the primary care setting. This will also decrease disparities in HIV care and improve access to healthcare for these individuals. There is also potential for adding a reproductive health specialization course for FNP students in the future.

Nightingale Pledge Ceremony

The traditional Nightingale Ceremony was held Feb. 10 in the Beggs Ballroom in the Rhatigan Student Center. It was a wonderful evening and we appreciate everyone who made this a special event for our students.

Kansas Breastfeeding Coalition Grant

Jolynn Dowling and the Wichita Area Breastfeeding Coalition (WABC) were awarded a grant from the Kansas Breastfeeding Coalition. The grant allowed the WABC to host Chocolate Milk: The Documentary. Wichita was selected as one of 200 national screening sites for this documentary. This important film is part of the initiative to normalize breastfeeding and create support and resources for African American mothers across the U.S.

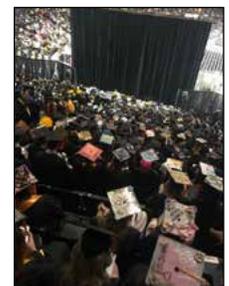
Hooding and Pinning Ceremony

On May 17 the School of Nursing held our annual Hooding and Pinning Ceremony in the Lowe Auditorium at the Metropolitan Complex. This was a special day and an opportunity for our students to be celebrated by university administration, faculty, staff, family and friends.



University Commencement

Commencement was held May 18 at Charles Koch Arena. It was a wonderful day to honor our students and all their hard work. We are extremely proud of our graduates and can't wait to see what amazing things they do!



Student Activities

Shocker New Venture Competition Finals

Sandra Hill and Jennifer Thornberry, graduate nursing NP students, won fourth place with their business plan, DUO Health, at the Final Shocker New Venture Competition Trade Show. They were one of seven teams that won the Shocker New Venture Competition Trade Show and proceeded to the finals. The DUO Health plan involved secure online patient portals that allowed nurse practitioners to empower patients by providing convenient, affordable prescription birth control options, and timely, discreet, nonjudgmental diagnosis and treatment for sexually transmitted infections. Congratulations and job well done!



Student Featured in Admissions Video

Jennifer Tozier was featured in this Wichita State Admissions [video](#), along with her sister Ally Tozier in the Dental Hygiene program. The women share the many things they enjoy about the programs, emphasizing the quality of the professors and opportunities for applied learning experiences.



Shock the Future Campaign Student Representative

Nursing student Max Karst, along with Public Health Sciences student Stephanie Tsang, were the College of Health Professions' student representatives for the Shock the Future campaign. Max and Stephanie did a great job working with Dean Bibb to represent the CHP, inform students, faculty and staff and answer questions about the initiative. When asked about his Shock The Future legacy, Max said, "I will always remember working hard for the betterment of the bigger picture. Knowing that because of my work Wichita State will become a better university for someone else in the future is what motivates me." Max is also a Transition Mentor and a member of the Community Service Board, as well as a member of the Future Health Care Professionals.



Homecoming Candidate

Nursing student Brenden Garland, along with Bethanie Francis (Public Health Sciences) were two of the 2019 WSU Homecoming candidates. Brenden was also a Resident Assistant for the CHP Living Learning Community in Shocker Hall.

Shocker Stories

Linda Foster, an RN-BSN returning adult learner, was featured in WSU's [Shocker Stories](#) of the Adult Learning program. Linda sends a "Shocker Shout-Out" to all of the instructors in the RN-BSN program for their assistance and support during her journey.

Clarion Competition

Hannah Lyle and Alexis Lang, fourth semester students in the traditional Bachelor of Science in Nursing program, were members of the winning team, Harmony Consulting Committee, at the local Clarion competition. The College of Health Professions hosted the Clarion Competition for WSU and KU School of Medicine students. Interprofessional teams examined a fictitious case involving a tragic health system error and collaborated to perform a root cause analysis and safety improvement plan. Harmony Consulting Committee represented Kansas at the National Clarion Competition in April at the University of Minnesota. All of the teams did a wonderful job and we are proud of the excellence, leadership and teamwork displayed.

Student's Art featured in Wilson K Cadman Art Gallery

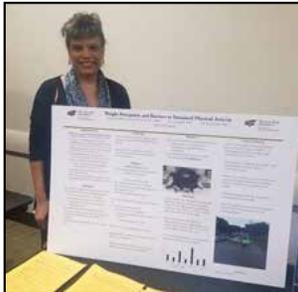
Morgen Ulrich was one of the artists featured in the Wilson K Cadman Art Gallery Spring 2019 Exhibits in the Rhatigan Student Center. Her drawings and paintings were displayed April 1-12. Her project, titled Golden Dolor, seeks to convey emotions universally experienced through different mediums. While black and white throughout, the works are combined with hints of gold intentionally to show the breakthrough we strive for with our encounters. This creates a familiar setting that the viewer can connect with to show there are possibilities in perseverance.



Student Activities – continued

DiverseCity Showcase

Maryon Habtemariam presented her DNP quality project at the third annual DiverseCity Showcase on April 15. This week-long event is sponsored by the President's Diversity Council and gives Shocker Nation a glance of the successes from individuals, departments and organizations in the campus community that were made possible through diversity.



License Plate Scholars

The WSU Alumni Association awarded scholarships to 53 recipients of the WSU Drive Your Pride License Plate Scholarship for the 2019-2020 academic year. Congratulations to students Maria Cecenas and Carley Phillips for being selected as recipients of the License Plate Scholars.

Letter to the Editor

DNP student Haleigh Machmer had her [letter to the editor](#) published in The Wichita Eagle on May 12, 2019. The letter urges legislators to support a bill that would allow APRNs to practice independently.

Senior Honor Award

Congratulations to Spencer Littlejohn for receiving the College of Health Professions' Academic Achievement Award for Highest GPA! Spencer received this award at the WSU Senior Honor banquet in April.



Soroptimist International of Wichita Scholarship

The Soroptimist International of Wichita presented a \$2,000 scholarship to nursing student Amanda Anderson. This scholarship is made available due to the generosity of the family of late Naomi Werne-McGuire, a retired Wichita State Nursing faculty member. Thank you Werne family and Soroptimist International of Wichita for supporting our students!



LEADERSHIP CONCEPTS

The accelerated nursing class (N 460 Leadership) met with Kris Hill, APRN and Chief Nursing Officer at Ascension Via Christi, to discuss leadership concepts. Thank you for taking time out of your schedule to share important information with our students!



Just For Fun

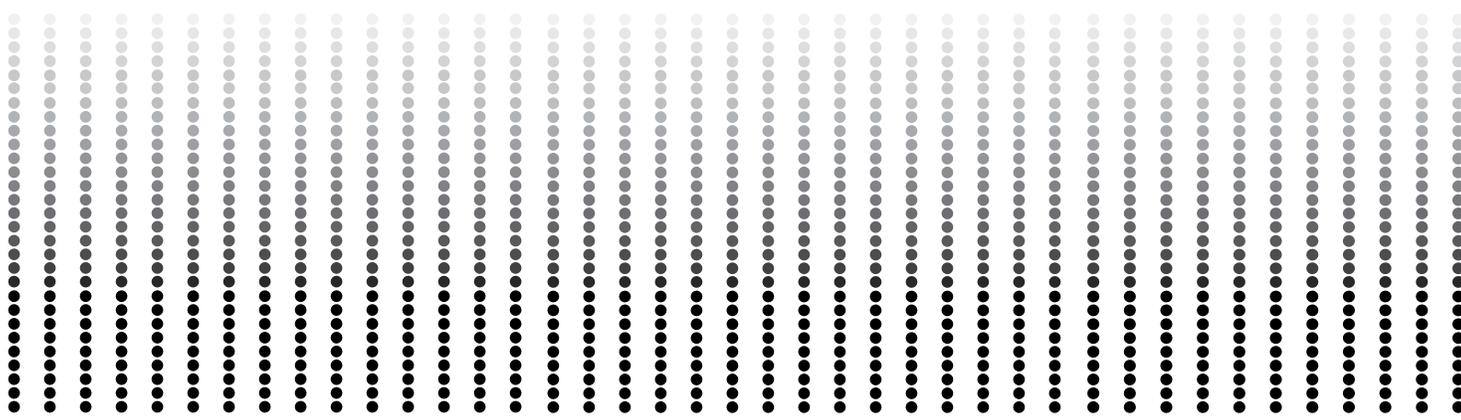
Some students in the traditional BSN program took a moment to pose for a photo before their Anatomy Lab tour.



STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

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2018 Recap

2018 was a year full of exciting accomplishments and positive changes in the School of Nursing. Students across all the programs participated in volunteer opportunities, interprofessional education activities and conferences that enhanced their classroom experience with applied learning; faculty not only taught classes, facilitated clinical rotations, and participated in university, college, and department committees, they presented research, received awards and volunteered their time and talents to improve the health of our community and beyond.

We are proud of our School of Nursing and it would not be possible without support from our faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends. Thank you for all that you do to make Wichita State University and the School of Nursing such a thriving place.

POINTS OF PRIDE

- ➔ Our online programs offer **convenience** and **affordable tuition**.
- ➔ Every student receives **individualized faculty advising**.
- ➔ Our graduates experience **high post-graduation employment rate** and exceptional success in advanced careers.
- ➔ We have a **well-established accredited DNP degree program** with post-baccalaureate or post-master entry points.
- ➔ We receive **high national certification rates** and **state APRN licensure**.
- ➔ We have a wide range of **scholarship opportunities** for students.
- ➔ We offer an **Early Admissions BSN Option program** for high school students who start their college career at Wichita State University.
- ➔ Faculty, staff and students **volunteer at many community events** such as Medical Mission at Home.

BY THE NUMBERS

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NUMBER OF GRADUATES FROM
THE SCHOOL OF NURSING

26

NUMBER OF STATES WHERE
THE SCHOOL OF NURSING HAS
CLINICAL AFFILIATIONS.

60+

FACULTY, EDUCATORS,
INSTRUCTORS, ADMINISTRATIVE
STAFF, LECTURERS AND STUDENT
WORKERS IN THE SCHOOL OF
NURSING

2018 Faculty, Clinical Educator and Staff Scholarly Activities and Creative Endeavors

In addition to being strongly committed to our teaching mission, our faculty continue to publish and present top scholarly work on a range of diverse topics.

PUBLICATIONS

Ahlers-Schmidt, C., Schunn, C., Engel, M., **Dowling, J.**, Neufeld, K., Kuhlmann, S. (2018). Implementation of a statewide program to promote safe sleep, breastfeeding and tobacco cessation to high risk pregnant women. *Journal of Community Health*. doi: org/10.1007/s10900-018-0571-4.

Aje, O., **Bett, C., Smith-Campbell, B.** (2018). Preventing musculoskeletal disorders in factory Workers: Evaluating a new worksite wellness program. *Workplace Health & Safety*, 6(7), 343-347.

Ballard, P. J., **Parsons, S., Rodgers, J., Mosack, V.,** Starks, B. (2018). "HOUDINI" impacts upon utilization and infection rates – A retrospective quality improvement initiative. *Journal of Urologic Nursing*, 38(4), 184.

Moody, L., Teel, C., Peltzer, J. N. (2018). Advancing nursing education: BSN completion messaging materials for associate degree nursing faculty. *Nursing Education Perspectives Journal*, 9(6), E21-E25. doi:10.1097/01.NEP.0000000000000342.

Rodgers, J., Stanton, M., Jackson, J. (2018). Providing care to COPD patients using in-home visits by nurse practitioners. *Journal of Nursing Care Quality*, 33, 208-212. Related Video <https://journals.lww.com/jncqjournal/Pages/videogallery.aspx?videoId=62&autoplay=true>.

PUBLICATIONS (OTHER)

Harrington, J., Smith-Campbell, B., Moody, L., Dowling, J. (2018). Evaluating the impact of midwifery services on access to preventative health care in a rural community. *Journal of Midwifery and Women's Health*.

Huckstadt, A., Ford, S. (2018). Nursing Roundtable. Wichita, KS: *Wichita Business Journal*, 41-52.

PRESENTATIONS – INTERNATIONAL/NATIONAL

Anen, T., **Rodgers, J.,** Hoyer, R. (March 2018). *Recruitment and retention strategies for advanced practice*. [Panel presentation]. Sullivan Cotter National Advanced Practice Advisory Council; Chicago, IL.

Bett, C. J., Cooper, T. (April 2018). *Effectiveness of active learning strategies: Student and faculty perceptions of flipped classrooms and team-based learning*. Nursing Education Research Conference- NLN/Sigma; Washington, D.C. (Poster).

Harrington, J., Smith-Campbell, B., Moody, L., Dowling, J. (2018). *Evaluating the impact of midwifery services on access to preventative health care in a rural community*. Virtual International Day of the Midwife. Retrieved from: <https://vidm.org/vidm-2018-posters/>.

Huckstadt, A. (June 29, 2018). *Using EBP Guidelines & Inter-Professional Learning to Change Practice for Low Back Pain*. [Poster presentation]. American Association of Nurse Practitioners Conference; Denver, CO.

McCleary-Jones, V., Smith, P., Dwyer, K. (June 2018). *A Community e-Health Promotion Program Addressing Oklahoma's Urban Disparities*. [Podium Presentation]. Association of Black Nursing Faculty, Inc. 31st Annual Meeting & Scientific Conference; London, England, UK.

PRESENTATIONS – LOCAL/REGIONAL

Bett, C. J. (March 2018). *Working with clinical challenges in nursing education*. [Podium presentation]. KSNA Southcentral Region Meeting; Great Bend, KS.

Douglass, M., Knowles, M., **Smith-Campbell, B.** (October 2018). *Putting Patients First –Modernization of APRN Statues in Kansas*. WSU APRN Conference; Wichita, KS.

Dowling, J. (June 2018). *Breastfeeding: Continuity of care*. Webinar presentation for Kansas High 5 for Mom and Baby hospitals.

Finlayson, C., **Rodgers, J.** (April 2018). *Building an advanced practice workforce in an academic practice*. [Podium presentation]. Vizient Faculty Practice Solutions Center Annual Conference; Chicago, IL.

Forsberg, J.C., **Smith-Campbell, B., Moody, L.** (2018). *Evaluating Nurse Practitioner Practice Before and After Removing State Policy Barriers to Full Practice Authority*. Sigma's, Epsilon Gamma at-Large Chapter's Evidence-Based Practice Conference; Wichita, KS.

Huckstadt, A. (May 2018). *Nursing Roundtable*. [Invited speaker]. Wichita Business Journal; Wichita, KS.

Huckstadt, A. (September 2018). *Innovated Thinkers, Creating New Pathways*. Invited moderator & speaker – APRN 5th Annual Conference, School of Nursing, Wichita State University; Wichita, KS.

Lehman, K., **Huckstadt, A., Bett, C.** (April 2018). *Multidisciplinary Community Fall Prevention Program Utilizing An Advanced Practice Nurse and Paramedics: A pilot study.* [Podium presentation]. Evidence Based Nursing Conference, Sigma, Epsilon Gamma-Chapter-at-Large; Wichita, KS.

Lehman, K., **Huckstadt, A., Bett, C.** (April 2018). *Multidisciplinary Fall Prevention Program for Community Dwelling Older Adults.* Graduate Research and Scholarly Projects (GRASP), Wichita State University; Wichita, KS.

Lent, M. **Huckstadt, A., Sebes, J.** (November 2018). *Parental Education as an Intervention for Prevention in Childhood Obesity.* [Podium presentation]. Live Well with Diabetes Conference; Wichita, KS.

Loader, M., **Rodgers, J.** (November 2018). *Utilizing communication strategies to engage frontline advanced practice providers.* [Podium presentation]. Center for Advancing Provider Practice National Meeting; Plano, TX.

Long, S., **Smith-Campbell, B., Moody, L.** (2018). *Developing a Patient Readiness Decision Tool for Long-Term Acute Care Hospital Transfer.* Sigma Epsilon Gamma at-Large Chapter's Evidence-Based Practice Conference; Wichita, KS.

Mayer, J. (April 2018). *Meet the CYPs.* Presentation reviewing the Cytochrome P450 enzymes including genetic variances, drug responses, and drug interactions. Presented at American Society of Consultant Pharmacist KS-Chapter Spring Senior Summit; Wichita, KS.

McCleary-Jones, V. (December 2018). *The Nursing Profession: An Ever-present Bright Light.* [Invited Keynote Speaker]. Presentation at the Nursing Pinning and Recognition Ceremony. WSU Tech; Wichita, KS.

Morris, S., **Huckstadt, A., Bett, C.** (November 2018). *Attitudes and Beliefs About Cervical Cancer Screening.* [Poster presentation]. Live Well with Diabetes Conference; Wichita, KS.

Prickett, V., Dusenbury, W., **Rodgers, J.** (August 2018). *Cryptogenic stroke due to undiagnosed paroxysmal atrial fibrillation: Implementation of a discharge plan.* [Poster presentation]. American Association of Neuroscience Nurses Advances in Stroke Care Conference; Louisville, KY.

Robinson, D., Elder, B., Faragher, M. (April 2018). *College Students Attitudes using Social Media and Its Impact on Childhood Vaccinations.* [Poster presentation]. Evidence Based Practice conference; Wichita, KS.

Rodgers, J. (July 2018). *Managing COPD Exacerbations Across the Continuum: Applying the new GOLD Guidelines.* [Podium presentation]. National Nurse Practitioner Symposium 2018; Keystone, CO.

Rodgers, J. (June 2018). *Do Nurse Practitioners Providing In-Home Visits Decrease Hospital Encounters?* [Podium presentation]. American Association of Nurse Practitioners 2018 National Conference; Denver, CO.

Rodgers, J., Asher, Z. (July 2018). *The Benefits of a Lead Advanced Practice Provider Council on Engagement and Retention.* [Poster presentation]. National Nurse Practitioner Symposium 2018; Keystone, CO.

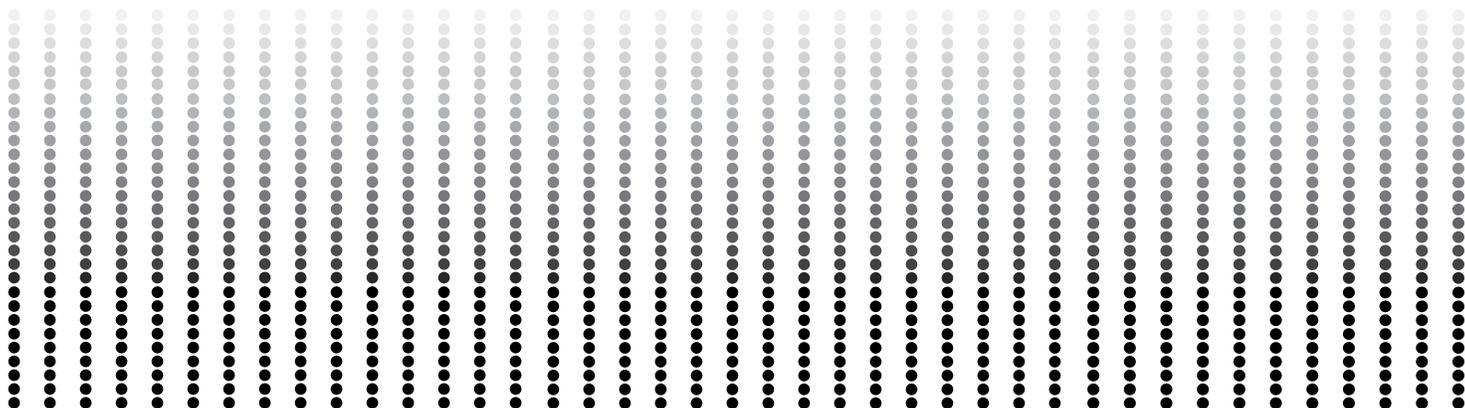
Rodgers, J., Talleu, S. (June 2018). *Management of Chronic Lung Disease in the Primary Care Setting: An Update for the Nurse Practitioner.* [Podium presentation]. American Association of Nurse Practitioners 2018 National Conference; Denver, CO.

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Lee, K., **Chesser, A., Smith-Campbell, B.** (2018). Limited English proficiency, depression literacy and stigma, and depressive symptoms among Korean, Chinese and Vietnamese immigrant elders. Wichita State University, Institute on Aging Studies. Funding: \$20,000.

Pile, D. (2018). Health Promotion and Screening in Select Populations. Agency: Riverside Health Foundation. Description: Service Learning Grant with IPE Role: PI and grant writer. Funding: \$500.

Pile, D., Elder, B. (2018). School Vision Screening. Agency: Clifford Wayne Gaulter Memorial Grant. Description: Vision grant. Role: Co-Investigator, grant writer. Funding: \$2,397.40. (70% effort).



Student Spotlight



Amanda Anderson is a senior in the traditional Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program. She is from Quanah, Texas and graduated from Midwestern State University with her Bachelor's in Chemistry. She moved to Wichita in 2015 and decided to take the opportunity to apply for nursing school at Wichita State.

"I saw a lot of things about WSU and their health professions programs on Facebook and around town, so coming here seemed like a natural choice."

Amanda says she has always wanted to work in health care. Her mother is a nurse, and she enjoyed her Pre-med Biology and Chemistry classes, which further peaked her interest. She worked in a lab for awhile and discovered that type of job wasn't a good fit, and eventually decided on nursing as her calling.

Amanda says her experience at WSU has been great (she especially loves springtime and tulip season on campus!) As a student she appreciates being located in a larger city because the School of Nursing is able to provide a variety of hospitals and clinical experiences for students. She also values the support and friendships from the people in her class.

"I feel like our class has become almost like a family. We all started this program together and will hopefully all end together, so I'm thankful to have gone on this journey with them."

As a full-time student with three young children, ages three, five and nine, Amanda says the biggest challenge she faces is time management, but her kids and family help keep her motivated.

"It gets crazy juggling everything, but also pushes me to do well because of them. I try to break the material up into smaller sections and fit some studying in each day when I can."

Her favorite part about the Nursing field is the variety and number of opportunities available.

"There are so many different things you can do and so much potential. Whatever you choose, you're always busy helping patients and seeing their progress, which is the best part."

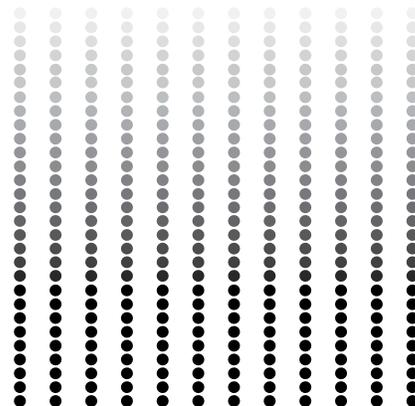
In her free time Amanda loves to be outdoors whenever she can at the lake, fishing or hiking. She enjoys doing fun things with her kids like going to the water park and local museums. She is also passionate about cooking.

"I find it therapeutic to turn on some music and cook a meal. I also think it's good to sit down at the dinner table and have some good conversation."

Amanda will be graduating from the BSN program in December. She is keeping her options open for post-graduation plans, but is interested in working in the newborn intensive care unit. Whatever she decides, she looks forward to continuing to work with patients and making a positive difference in people's lives.

Her advice to future nursing students is to not get discouraged or overwhelmed at the beginning.

"It's a huge mountain to climb, but it's doable. If you show up on time and do each assignment and task as it comes, it becomes manageable."



Staff Spotlight



Shane Coelho

Shane Coelho is the Manager of Business and Fiscal Affairs for the School of Nursing (SON). He was born in India, grew up in Dubai, U.A.E. and moved to Wichita in 1993. No stranger to Wichita State, Shane was a student in the 90s and worked as a Mail Clerk at Fairmount Towers and at the WSU Endowment Association. He received his Bachelor of Business in 1995 and Master of Public Administration in 2001. After working on budgets at the Sedgwick County Health Department, Shane was excited when an opportunity came up six years ago to come back to WSU to work. Known around the SON as the “Money Man,” he works closely with the Chair to develop and execute the budget, including oversight of purchasing, payroll, travel funds, grants, foundation and other funds.

Shane has seen firsthand the growth of the SON and Wichita State throughout the years.

“The university culture has definitely changed over the years. When I was going to college here in the 90s I think we were considered more of a non-traditional school, but recently we have been seen a shift in more younger students attending the university and there is more student involvement and more things to do on campus. It's great to see.”

Shane says one of the biggest challenges of his job is working around state budget challenges and that he and the chair are constantly adjusting the budget to make sure they are spending wisely and are always in compliance with state regulations.

Shane says his favorite part of his job are the interactions with the great people in the SON and College of Health Professions. He has made many great friendships with faculty, staff and others on campus that he would not have otherwise. He especially enjoys seeing people he knows at Shocker basketball games and the fun and comradery that comes from rooting for the same team.

Shane has had many memorable moments during his time at WSU, from seeing buzzer beaters at WSU basketball games, to watching the baseball team reach the Super Regionals, to living at Fairmount Towers and making so many friends from all over the world.

When he's not in the office, Shane is very busy with his family; his wife Marcey - who he met right here on the WSU campus while playing volleyball - and their four sons, Jackson, Elijah, Alex and Asher. Shane says he and his wife can usually be found at a ball field, basketball court or soccer field watching their sons' sporting events. When they're not playing sports, the family loves watching them; everything from Shocker athletics to soccer to Chiefs football. They also enjoy going to Music Theater of Wichita as a family.

When time allows Shane also likes to fish, golf and go to concerts. He enjoys trying all types of international food and listening to a wide variety of music from bluegrass, reggae, big band, rock, pop and soul.

He has traveled many places in the U.S. and internationally to Greece, Turkey and Thailand.

“There are still many more places I would like to see and I can't wait to figure out in the end which is my favorite.”

When asked about his bucket list, Shane says he is just focused on living life to the fullest.

“I figure that I am always learning and doing new things, so every day is already an adventure for me.”

Message to Alumni & Friends

Alumni - we want to hear from you! There are many reasons to stay in touch and be involved. Keep your lifelong relationship with Wichita State and the School of Nursing a strong one. We encourage you to:

- ➔ **UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION.** We want to make sure you receive the latest news, invitations to events, department updates and more.
- ➔ **KEEP US UP-TO-DATE WITH THE LATEST NEWS.** Send your achievements and news to chpcontent@wichita.edu for promotion on social media and in upcoming newsletters.
- ➔ **ATTEND UNIVERSITY AND ALUMNI EVENTS.** These events are a great opportunity to network and reconnect with fellow alumni.
- ➔ **CONNECT AND ENCOURAGE THE NEXT GENERATION OF WSU NURSES THROUGH YOUR EXPERIENCES.** This is an important way in which your leadership can help further the nursing profession and the School of Nursing at WSU.
- ➔ **CONTINUE YOUR EDUCATION WITH US.** Stand out and take your nursing career to the next level.

Let us know what's happening with you by emailing the following information to chpcontent@wichita.edu. Thank you for sharing!

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Tell us about yourself. Where are you living, what are you doing in your career and what are your future plans?

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