



## Students: Announcements

### Capstones Fall 16

Please join us for Capstone presentations for our Master's and DNP student this fall. We are very proud of the students and their work! See listing below:

MSN Capstone: Juliet Evans	<i>Prelab or Just-In-Time: Preparing Student Nurses for Clinical Experiences</i>	December 2 <sup>nd</sup> 11 am to 1200	UC 222
MSN Capstone: Frank Bale	<i>Male Nurses in Western Colorado: A Phenomenological Study</i>	December 8 <sup>th</sup> 8:30 to 9:30am	Mav Center 154
MSN Capstone: Jennifer Martinez	<i>Low Risk Chest Pain</i>	December 8 <sup>th</sup> 11am to 1200	Wubben Science 141
MSN Capstone: Rose Montoya	<i>Retrospective Study to Describe Readmission Rates in a Homecare Agency</i>	December 8 <sup>th</sup> 2pm to 3pm	Mav Center 156
MSN Capstone: Kristin Jones-Chillemi	<i>Kidney Disease Education Impact on Attendance</i>	December 9 <sup>th</sup> 1000 to 1200	UC 222
DNP Capstone: Kathy McKinney	<i>Universal Screening for Intimate Partner Violence in a University Student Health Center: Assessing Feasibility</i>	December 9 <sup>th</sup> 1pm to 2pm	UC 222

### Campus Map

<http://www.coloradomesa.edu/campus-info/documents/campusmap.pdf>

### Graduate Orientation: January 19<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> Spring Semester 2017

**Graduate Student Orientation:** mandatory once a year and for incoming grad students!

If you are a new graduate student it is recommended that you attend orientation preferably once a year.

The schedule for the orientation is below. It begins with lunch on January 19<sup>th</sup> compliments of Dr. Kristy Reuss. Join us from noon to 5pm on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 9am to 4pm on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Returning students:** it is important that you attend the following graduate orientation sessions:

ePortfolio: Documenting Professional Development: see

[https://coloradomesa.digication.com/eportfolios\\_coloradomesa/For\\_Faculty](https://coloradomesa.digication.com/eportfolios_coloradomesa/For_Faculty)

Librarian Tools for Organizing (EndNote and other online tools).

You are welcome to come for just those sessions.

The final schedule will be emailed separately so look for it in your email!

**GPS – Intensives:** This year we are adding skills content that incorporates opportunities for students who have begun or are just beginning their clinical courses at the 600 level. RSVP is required. Our first GPS-Intensive will be Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup> evening with Dr. Joe Cruz at St. Mary's Hospital. Dr. Cruz will be discussing tips and tricks for reading and ordering radiology tests. Space is limited. Please **RSVP** to Dr. Bridget Marshall to participate:

[brmarshall@coloradomesa.edu](mailto:brmarshall@coloradomesa.edu)



## Surveys Surveys Surveys... Why? Did you know?

Each semester, students have the opportunity to provide valuable feedback to faculty as part of our ongoing continuing improvement. Taking a few moments to complete a course evaluation helps faculty identify what is working well and key issues that need to be improved. In addition, each semester you'll receive an online link to the graduate student nursing survey, which asks for your feedback on the program and support services. During your last semester in the program, you'll receive an Exit Survey; one year after graduation you'll receive an Alumni Survey. All responses to these surveys are anonymous. Your input is important to our ongoing success, and a critically important aspect of our accreditation. Thanks for helping us serve you better!

### Graduate Faculty Meetings are **OPEN!**

Want to see what graduate faculty discuss at a graduate faculty meeting? Want to provide a suggestion or seek/provide input to the faculty?

Students who wish to attend graduate faculty meetings are welcome! You can attend in person or via *Skype for Business*. Please RSVP to one of us if you wish to attend a meeting. We can arrange for you to Skype (via WebEx link) or come in person. Our final meeting for this semester is December 7<sup>th</sup>.

### Mentor Mentee Program

Are you interested in being a mentor for a new graduate student? Would you like to be put on a list of people to be matched as a mentee?

We are developing a list of mentors/mentees for the graduate nursing program. Should you wish to be a mentor to a new graduate student please send your name with your interest via email to Dr. Kathleen Hall [khall@coloradomesa.edu](mailto:khall@coloradomesa.edu) If you wish to be mentored as a mentee – send your name via email to Dr. Bridget Marshall [brmarshall@coloradomesa.edu](mailto:brmarshall@coloradomesa.edu)

We will try to match people up! We will ask a few questions of the type of mentor/mentee/ needs you have to find a good match for you! Thank you!



## Students (and graduates!) on the Move

Dr. Stacie Schreiner, DNP graduating class Spring 2016, has accepted a position as an instructor with the University of Colorado School of Medicine Department of Pediatrics Section of Nutrition. Dr. Schreiner will be serving as the program manager for the Lifestyle Medicine Program at Colorado Children's Hospital in Denver, Colorado. Congratulations!

Dr. Tammy Brunk, DNP graduating class Spring 2016, has taken a faculty position at Sonoma State University as a joint appointment in the Schools of Nursing and Medicine. Dr. Brunk will be in a shared position that includes an Associate Clinical Professor appointment in the School of Medicine with the objective of teaching first year medical students' obstetrics and gynecology. She was recently interviewed in her local newspaper:

<http://www.pressdemocrat.com/news/5987961-182/teen-birth-rates-tumble-in>

Dr. Brunk says "Thank you for all your program did to assist in my development of my new career!"

**Director's Note** **Dr. Debra Bailey** The eastern portion of the new Department of Health Sciences building is almost completed with a move in date of January 2017. Dedicated labs will be available for graduate students to practice on standardized patients. Faculty expect to have relocated by the beginning of spring semester. Come visit us in our new building next spring! An open house is scheduled: more info to follow in the spring!



## Faculty on the Move

**Dr. Sandy Forrest** was appointed to the Report Review Committee for CCNE. This is an honor for Dr. Forrest as one is nominated to this position. Responsibilities include: reviewing Continuous Improvement Progress Reports submitted to CCNE by programs seeking ongoing approval. The committee also reviews NCLEX pass rates for BSN graduates and certification pass rates for nurse practitioner graduates. This is Dr. Forrest's 20<sup>th</sup> year as a national accreditor for CCNE.

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Gold stars for Graduate faculty and especially Drs. Reuss and Forrest! Our mid-cycle accreditation CIPR report was recently finalized and sent on December 1, 2016. Our program accreditation benefits from both of their expertise! The report will be reviewed at the March 2017 CCNE accreditation meeting. The report provides a framework for the self-study documentation to be submitted Fall 2018. CCNE will be conducting a site visit on campus that term to evaluate the MSN and DNP program for ongoing accreditation.

**Dr. Kathleen Hall** continues to collaborate with Dr. Paula Marchionda MD in the survivorship and integrative oncology clinic at the St. Mary's Cancer Center in Grand Junction. Their research was recently presented at the 2016 Palliative Care in Oncology Symposium in San Francisco last September. Currently, Dr. Hall and Dr. Marchionda are working with breast cancer survivors in a weight loss and physical activity intervention using the *State of Slim* diet intervention. They expect to present their results in early 2017.

**Dr. Bridget Marshall** will begin a new faculty practice one day a week in Montrose/Delta with the *Pediatric Associates* a group of pediatricians, pediatric nurse practitioners and a physician assistant.

**Dr. Debra Bailey** has been appointed to the Colorado Commission on Aging CCOA by Governor Hickenlooper for a four-year term. The Commission's goals focus on aging in place, aging in the work place, housing and mental health of our seniors. You can find more information at <https://sites.google.com/a/state.co.us/cdhs-cai-aas/colorado-commission-on-aging>