



Graduate Nursing Program News

Mark Your Calendars

Faculty Meetings are OPEN for students to attend. You are welcome to attend all or part of a meeting in person or via zoom. RSVP to Steven Cruse if you wish to receive a Zoom invite to attend: **MEETING SCHEDULE** dates are: 2/21; 3/14; 4/18; & 5/16. All meeting times are 1pm to 230 pm except where noted.

Save the Dates:

March 1st

Intent to Graduate Forms need to be submitted by March 1st for those graduating in December 2023. The link for the form is here: <https://www.coloradomesa.edu/registrar/graduation.html>

April 5th

The *Graduate Advisory Board* will be held April 5th from 1215-130pm on Zoom/ In Person. Students are welcome to attend!

April 13th & 14th

Objective Structured Clinical Exams (OSCEs) will be in person. You are expected to attend from ~ 9am to ~500 pm.

Objective Structured Clinical Exams (OSCEs) will be conducted for students in clinical practicums N577, N610, & N630. There will be **8 indirect** hours towards your degree track for attendance.

On April 13th you will be patients for the Physician Assistant students in the morning. The afternoon is reversed with students from the PA program acting as your patients. Your scenarios will be mailed to you by spring break for you to memorize (although you can reference your info if needed).

April 14th the BSN students will be patients for students for your test. That afternoon you will attend a hands on session on suturing and microscopy (each an hour).

April 15th

The **Graduate Program Student Intensive (GPSI)** will be held on Saturday April 15th. All graduate nursing students are asked to attend the GPSI, regardless of graduate degree track. You can be zoomed in if you are not part of the OSCEs. The theme this year is independent practice. Experts in grant writing, risk management, & solo practice will be presenting. There will be an additional presentation on acupuncture as an alternate therapy.

November 2nd & 3rd, 2023

Fall OSCEs will be Thursday and Friday November 2nd & 3rd. They will be virtual in a telehealth format. **SAVE** the dates NOW! If you have or will be in a clinical by that time, you are expected to participate.

Clinical Placement Coordinator News - Mr. Steven Cruse

Students enrolling in the summer course NURS 586 Diagnostic Testing are required to obtain **50 clinical hours** as it is a clinical practicum. Please reach out to Mr. Cruse for establishing contracts with clinical sites.

Students on the Move

Jodi Miller BSN and Natalie Smith BSN presentations and defenses of their Master of Science in Nursing – Nurse Educator track are on April 13th. They are open to the public if you wish to attend via zoom or in person. Their scholarly projects are listed below. Reach out to Mr. Cruse for a zoom link.

Coping Mechanisms and Resilience for Emergency Department Nurses

Jodi Miller BSN

A Process for Scaffolding Person-Centered Care in Undergraduate Nursing Education

Natalie Smith BSN

Please reach out if you have any questions.

Mr. Cruse & Drs. Donovan, Hall, Marshall, Schreiner, & Urban