



## *Graduate Nursing Program News*      *Spring 2022*

### **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:

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**Our Spring MEETING SCHEDULE dates are: 2/22 [STRATEGIC PLANNING – long meeting] 1pm to 4:30 pm; 3/29; 4/26; & 5/17. All meeting times are 1pm to 2:30 pm except where noted.**

### **IMPORTANT** *Save the Dates:*

#### **April 13<sup>th</sup>**

The **Graduate Advisory Board** will be held **April 13<sup>th</sup>** from 12:15-1:30pm on Zoom/ In Person. Students are welcome to attend!

#### **April 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Objective Standardized Clinical Exams (OSCEs)** will be held **April 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>**. OSCEs will be in **Telehealth** format. You are asked to attend from ~ 9am to ~5:00 pm. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW.** What to expect: **Objective Structured Clinical Exams (OSCEs)** will be conducted for students in clinical practicums **N577, N610, N630 & N652**. There will be **8 indirect** hours towards your degree track for attendance.

Students in N577 will act as patients for grad students in the 600 level clinicals on April 21<sup>st</sup>.

Students in the 600 level courses will be practicing telehealth scenarios based on their didactic content with students in N577 on Thursday. Fridays will be the examinations using a Telehealth format.

#### **April 23<sup>rd</sup>**

The **Graduate Program Student Intensive (GPSI)** will be held on **Saturday April 23<sup>rd</sup>**. All graduate nursing students are asked to attend the GPSI, regardless of graduate degree track.

#### **April 26<sup>th</sup> Doctor of Nursing Practice Defense Presentations (open to public)**

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) students, Patrick Oglesby and Whitney Mick, will be defending their DNP scholarly projects. Mr. Oglesby's project is titled, "Identification and Engagement of Individuals for Chronic Care Management in Primary Care." Ms. Mick's project is titled, "Communication of Critical Patient Data in a Rural Primary Care Setting." Scholarly projects are culminating assignments for DNP degrees and demonstrate students' achievement of DNP program outcomes. These defenses are open to the public. **Please let Mr. Cruse know if you would like a zoom link to attend** 😊

#### **Clinical Placement Coordinator News - Mr. Steven Cruse**

**Covid Guidelines for clinical sites-> vaccine status onus is on students**

## Students on the Move

*Congratulations* to Taylor Evans (DNP FNP F25) Tarah Fron,(DNP FNP F25) Jodi Miller (MSN NE cohort Sp23), and Ryleigh McCoy (MSN FNP F25) for being accepted to the 29<sup>th</sup> National Evidence-Based Practice Conference for their poster and oral presentations. Abstracts underwent blind reviews and projects were selected based on their scientific merit. Way to go!!! To register or see the agenda please visit their website:

[https://whova.com/web/nepc\\_202204/](https://whova.com/web/nepc_202204/)

*The National Nurse Practitioner (NP) Symposium* is the oldest nurse practitioner conference in the US and reaches national and international audiences. It is held annually in Keystone, CO each summer. This is the **fifth** consecutive year that CMU students and/or faculty have presented their original work to the nurse practitioner audience. CMU faculty encourage all nurse practitioner students to consider submission of their work to this conference. If you are interested in learning more about the National Nurse Practitioner Symposium, see [National Nurse Practitioner Symposium \(npsymposium.com\)](http://National Nurse Practitioner Symposium (npsymposium.com)).

*Congratulations* to the following DNP students & all four MSN graduates who underwent peer review for their abstracts that were accepted as poster presentations at the National NP Symposium:

### *DNP Students (DNP, FNP cohort spring "23)*

The two Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) students presenting at the National Nurse Practitioner Symposium in July are:

**Whitney Mick** will be presenting *Process Improvement Strategies to Improve Reporting of Critical Patient Data*.

**Patrick Oglesby** will be presenting *Best Practices for Identification and Engagement of Patients for Chronic Care Management*.

### *MSN graduates*

The four MSN graduates presenting at the National Nurse Practitioner Symposium in July are:

*Assessing Quality of Care in a Single Outpatient Clinic Serving People Experiencing Homelessness*

**Melissa Crawford**, MSN, RN

*Increasing the Capacity of a Stakeholder to Prevent Falls in a Rural Primary Care Clinic*

**Tawney Rueter**, MSN, RN

*Provider Self-Efficacy in Management of the Hearing Impaired Adult*

**Joel Smith**, MSN, APRN

*Addressing Self-Efficacy in a Stakeholder for the Management of Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease*

**Husam Salih**, MSN, RN

*DNP Student Tarah Fron (DNP FNP "25)* and *Dr. Donovan* have been working over winter break on submitting Tarah's first publication. Tarah's manuscript titled "Integrated behavioral health in primary care: Literature review" was the final project (Integrated Systematic Literature Review) in NURS 501. Tarah & Dr. Donovan are submitting to the Journal of the American Association of Nurse Practitioners. Good luck Tarah on the publication.

## Faculty on the Move

**Dr. Hall**, along with DNP alumni, **Steven Malarchick** (DNP FNP cohort spring 21), and graduate nursing students, **Patrick Oglesby** (DNP cohort spring "22) and **Greg Wolf**, presented original research at the Colorado Area Health Education (AHEC)'s Networking, Education, and Research Conference titled *Relationship Between Self-care Ability and Self-reported Health Among Older Women*.

*Best wishes for a great spring semester!*

**Mr. Cruse & Drs. Donovan, Holvoet, Hall, Marshall, Nolan, Schreiner, & Urban**