

Summer "23



Graduate Nursing Program News

Calendars

Faculty meetings are open for students to attend. Fall meeting dates are: 9/19; 10/17; 11/21; 12/12. All meeting times are 130 pm to 300 pm except where noted. 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:

scruse@coloradomesa.edu

Graduate Advisory Board

September 20th from 1215-130 pm on Zoom/ In Person.

Students are welcome to attend virtually or in person.

November 2nd and 3rd

Telehealth Objective Structured Clinical Exams (OSCEs) will be held virtually. Students in clinical practicums N620 and N615 are expected to attend from ~ 9am to ~500 pm.

Orientation

Fall orientation will be held on **August 14th, 2023**. If anyone would like a refresher, reach out to Mr. Cruse and he will send a link.

Program Announcements

Director of Nursing Education Programs (DNEP) Report

Dr. Erin Donovan

The graduate nursing program is integrating the *new* Essentials that American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) into our program tracks. AACN's model and framework for nursing curriculum uses a *competency-based education* system of active learning strategies focused on mastery of knowledge, skills, and attitudes (KSA's). Competency guidelines are delineated for entry-level programs and advanced-level programs. AACN released the following document to assist with the collaboration of academia and practice. Go to this link to understand more about this process and the impact it will have on the graduate curriculum.

<https://www.aacnnursing.org/Portals/0/PDFs/Essentials/practice-partner-talking-points.pdf>

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.

Student Successes

Please *congratulate* **Jodi Miller and Natalie Smith** on their successful defenses of their Master of Science in Nursing Capstones.



*Fostering Resilience for
Emergency Department
Nurses*

Jodi Miller
MSN NE Student



*Person-Centered Care
in Undergraduate
Nursing Education*

Natalie Smith
MSN Student NE

Congratulations to the following MSN students on their presentations at the following conferences:

Sigma's 34th International Nursing Research Congress

Standardized Dosing of Liquid Medication in Metric Units to Reduce Dosing Errors

Doran Tregarthen, MSN FNP student, presented his virtual poster presentation at *Sigma* virtually in the fall.

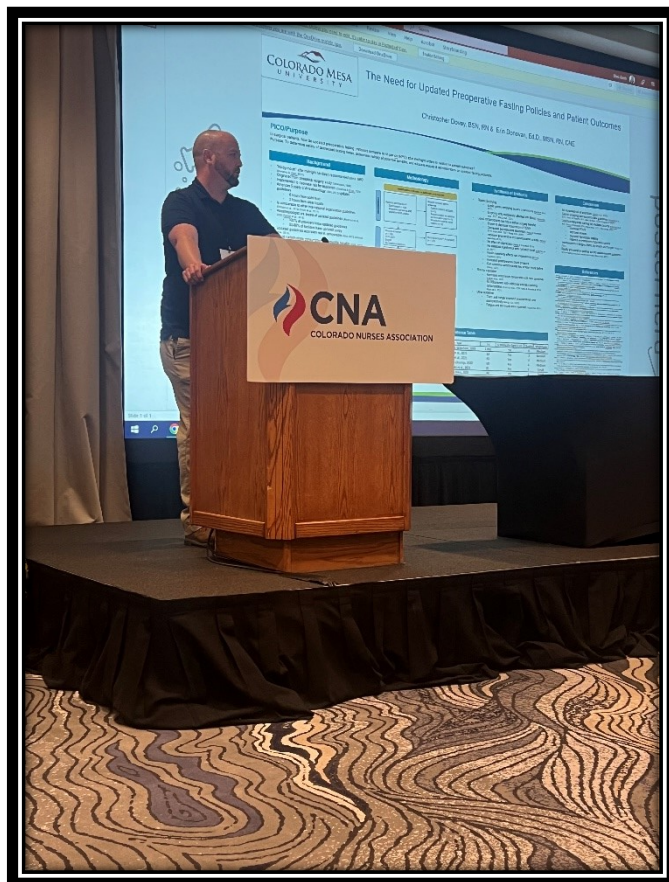
Colorado Nurses Association **Chris Dovey and Jennis Gillespie**, MSN -FNP student presentations:



Administration of a Dextrose Solution on Decreasing Post-Operative Nausea: An Integrated Systematic Literature Review
Jennis Gillespie BSN RN



The Need for Updated Preoperative Fasting Policies and Patient Outcomes
Chris Dovey BSN RN



December 2022 MSN graduates, Kendra Decker MSN APRN FNP and Kelsi Barnett MSN APRN FNP (with faculty mentors Drs. Hall and Schreiner) are presenting posters on their MSN capstone projects at the NNPS in July. Ms. Decker's presentation is titled, "Best practices for medication administration in early childhood learning centers."

Ms. Barnett's presentation is titled, "Screening of sexually transmitted infections in adults experiencing homelessness."

Jessica Griffiths, MSN APRN FNP, presented her MSN capstone at the CMU Student Showcase in April. The title of her presentation was, "Improving provider self-efficacy in end-of-life conversations."

Congratulations to you all on your post-graduate success!

CMU MSN and DNP graduates in the family nurse practitioner tracks continue to perform above the national average on certification pass rates. Our graduates currently have a 100% first-time pass rate on the national FNP certification exam! We also maintain a 100% employment rate following graduation. Congratulations to all our former students.

Faculty Successes

Dr. Erin Donovan wrote a Featured Article titled "*The Journey Begins*" for AACN's Diversity Digest for the Winter 2023 Edition, published February 16, 2023. <https://www.aacnnursing.org/news-data/all-news/article/diversity-digest-winter-2023-editionSymposium>. She also will be presenting a podium presentation, "Civil Discourse, The Art of Respectful Conversations" at the Nurse Educator Conference in the Rockies in Breckenridge, Colorado. Her presentation will take place on Friday, July 14th.

Drs. Marshall, Schreiner, and Hall, along with recent MSN graduates, **Natalie Smith and Jodi Miller**, are doing a podium presentation at the National Nurse Practitioner Symposium in Keystone, CO in July. The title of their presentation is *Treating Pediatric Obesity – Strategies for Success*.

Dr. Hall is also presenting a poster with Ms. Eileen Woolwine on the ossification of the posterior longitudinal ligament.

Dr. Hall is working with **Dr. Mary Jo Stanley** to evaluate utilization of the Learner-Instructor-Shared Outcomes (LISO) model. They expect to review their results over the summer.

Dr. Hall is working with **Dr. Urban** to evaluate a method to teach health policy to graduate nursing students. Their data collection is in progress.

Drs. Hall, Schreiner, and Donovan are doing research on the assessment of readiness for interprofessional learning in graduate nursing education. Their data collection is in progress.

Drs. Lucy Graham and Ona Ridgway are presenting at the Nurse Educator Conference in the Rockies in July.

Dr. Lucy Graham is presenting at ACHNE/APHN joint conference in San Diego in June.

Dr. Lucy Graham recently published an article with **Kristy Emerson** MPH, BSN, in *Nursing Education Perspectives*. Graham, L.J., & Emerson, K. (2022). An innovative academic-practice partnership using simulation to provide end-of-life education for undergraduate nursing students in rural settings. *Nursing Education Perspectives*. Advance online publication. doi: [10.1097/01.NEP.0000000000001073](https://doi.org/10.1097/01.NEP.0000000000001073)