

## College of Nursing *Highlights*

- Thirty-six participants attended the Anne Boykin Institute Summer Academy focused on Social Justice as Caring Action.
- Dr. Lisa Wiese was newly elected as a Board Member and Encore Committee Chair of the Southern Gerontological Society.
- Drs. María Ordóñez and Jill Winland-Brown were inducted as Fellows of the American Association of Nurse Practitioners
- Nursing students, under the direction of Dr. Rhonda Goodman, worked together with nursing students and faculty from The Universidad Estatal Del Sur de Manabi to begin a collaborative relationship between the universities.
- Eighteen faculty presented at the Intl Association of Human Caring Conference at Clemson's College of Nursing. Dean Emerita Anne Boykin gave a keynote address.
- Dr. Debra Hain will be inducted as a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing in October.
- Dr. Cynthia Blum was the recipient of the 2019 FAU Excellence in eLearning award for Leadership.
- Dr. Diane Esposito won the Excellence in Education Award for APNA.



## College Researchers Receive \$1.5M to Train Veteran Nursing Students to Care for Other Veterans

Florida is home to approximately 1.5 million military veterans and has the third largest veteran population in the U.S. Now, veterans will care for other veterans as a result of a \$1.5 million from the U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The project is designed to form a primary care workforce of practicing registered nurses who understand the unique needs of military veterans, and are practice ready and willing to serve rural and underserved communities.

“Caring-based Academic Partnerships in Excellence: Veteran RNs in Primary Care (CAPE-V),” is designed to educate and provide clinical training for bachelor of science in nursing students in primary care and to provide professional development to practicing registered nurses in primary care. It will enrich the BSN curriculum and student clinical experiences in the areas of primary care, unique population health needs of veterans, mental health and substance use disorders, value added care, telehealth, and health information technology.

“Our goal is to create healthier communities, and with this grant, we will be able to create an outstanding workforce of specially-trained registered nurses,” said Dr. Beth King, project director and assistant professor.

The goals of CAPE-V are to recruit, educate, and financially support a culturally diverse group of veteran students who are primary care oriented, and willing and ready to work with underserved populations. To learn more about this program, click [here](#).



## College Launches New Part-Time BSN Track for Working Adults

In August, the College will launch its inaugural second-degree part-time Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Program on the Davie Campus. The goal of this BSN track is to prepare working professionals, with a bachelor degree or higher in another discipline, as professional nurses who are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses to secure licensure as a Registered Nurse.

Dr. Kyndall Pritchard, interim director, conducted 24 information sessions for prospective applicants. Over the last few months, 350 applications were received, and 150 applicants have been interviewed. Seventy-two applicants will be selected in the first cohort. Student advisement will begin in July.



*Caring is a Science, and we study it. Caring is an Art, and we practice it. Caring is a Way of Being, and we live it.*



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