

CURRICULUM VITAE

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DATE OF APPOINTMENT: May, 2012
PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE: AL Board of Nursing
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EDUCATION:

Year	Degree	Institution	Major
2013	Completed Requirements for Certificate in Nursing Education	University of Alabama Huntsville	Nursing
2008	M.S.N.	Jacksonville State University	Community Health Nursing
1985	B.S.N.	Auburn University	Nursing

CERTIFICATIONS:

Year	Title of Certification
2025	Course Design Certification for NUR 220 Health Promotion
2017	National League of Nursing, Certified Nurse Educator. Renewed Dec 2022. Expires Dec 2027
2021	National Council of Behavioral Health, Mental Health First Aid
2023	American Heart Association, Basic Life Support

PROFESSIONAL ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE:

Years	Title/ Rank	Institution	Role/Functional Area
2012-Present	Clinical Assistant Professor	University of Alabama in Huntsville	Instructor
2011-2012	Full Time Clinical Instructor	University of Alabama in Huntsville	Instructor
2010-2011	Part Time Clinical Instructor	University of Alabama in Huntsville	Instructor

ADJUNCT FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

Years	Title/ Rank	Institution	Role/Functional Area
2009-2011	Adjunct Clinical Instructor	Snead State Community College	Instructor

2010- 2011	Adjunct Clinical Instructor	Northeast Alabama Community College	Instructor
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Years	Title	Institution	Role/Functional Area
1997- 2014	Staff Nurse	Marshall Medical Center North	Surgical Services
1993- 1997	RN Case Manager	Marshall County Home Health	Home Health
1991- 1993	Staff Nurse	Huntsville Hospital	Surgical ICU
1987- 1991	Charge Nurse/Infection Control Practitioner	Lakeshore Rehabilitation Hospital Huntsville	Rehabilitation
1985- 1987	Staff Nurse	Humana Hospital Huntsville	Oncology

SCHOLARSHIP:

Research

2014-
2015 Under direction of Infection Control Practitioner, directed students in data collection and analysis for Evidence-Based Practice poster. Results of hand hygiene compliance survey, CLABSI prevention compliance survey, and CAUTI prevention compliance survey presented by NUR 308 clinical students to clinical units, infection control practitioner, facility education director. Submitted report of findings to managers

Presentations:

2015 Active Teaching Strategies Faculty Development, Demonstrated Use of Debate as an Active Teaching Strategy, with Monica Beck

TEACHING:

Spring 2024-present	NUR 303 Health Assessment Course Manager
Fall 2022-present	NUR 303 Health Assessment Clinical Faculty
2017-present	NUR 220 Health Promotion Course Manager
Fall 2023-present	NUR 413 Leadership in Professional Nursing Practice
Fall 2022-Spring 2024	NUR 303 Health Assessment Section Leader
Fall 2020-Spring 2022	NUR 310 Professional Practice in Nursing I Section Leader
Spring 2022	NUR 310 Professional Practice in Nursing I Lab Faculty

Fall 2020-Spring 2022	NUR 310L Professional Practice in Nursing I Clinicals
2016-Fall 2020	NUR 308 Nursing Care of Adults in Health I Section Leader
2015- Fall 2020	NUR 308L Nursing Care of Adults in Health I Clinicals
2017	NUR 408 Professional Practice in Nursing III Seminar Course Faculty
2016	NUR 202 Healthy Living Across the Lifespan Course Faculty
2016	NUR 310L
2016	NUR 311 Clinical Calculations Course Faculty
2016	NUR 102 Multidimensional Aspects of Nursing Course Manager
2012- 2014	NUR 308L Clinical Instructor for 3 Sections each semester
2012	NUR 401L Clinical Instructor 1 section
2011	NUR 310L Professional Practice in Nursing I Clinicals 3 sections

SERVICE:

University:

Year	Activity
2025	Meeting representing CON about expansion of Child, Family, & Community Development courses in the College of Education
2024	Hiring/Search Committee Training Workshop, UAH Human Resources, Dec
2021	Supervised students at UAH COVID 19 vaccination clinic
2021	Administered COVID 19 vaccines at UAH student health clinic and at campus wide mass vaccination clinics
2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2017	Attended UAH Fall Convocation, Aug
2016	Student Recruitment Event, Calhoun Community College
2013	Phone-a-thon to call prospective in-coming freshmen students
2011	Student Phon-a-thon

College:

Spring 2025	HOSA Day Volunteer
Spring 2025	Alabama League for Nursing Conference. Manned table for recruitment for Faculty Search Committee

Fall 2024	HOSA Day Volunteer
Fall 2024-present	College of Nursing BSN Readmission Committee
2016-present	Sunshine Committee Chairperson
Fall 2024	White Coat Ceremony On Stage Presenter
Fall 2022	Pinning ceremony- On stage presenter
Fall 2022-Spring 2023	Mentor for new faculty member
Fall 2021-Sp 2022	Mentor for new faculty member
Fall 2021-present	Faculty Search Committee
Fall 2020-Spring 2021	Undergraduate Faculty Curriculum Committee. Task force to review undergraduate prerequisite and upper division nursing courses
2016- 2019	HOSA Day
2019	White Coat Ceremony- Presenter on stage
2018, 2019	Interprofessional Education Simulations volunteer, role of RN
2018	Wrote postcards to incoming UAH nursing students
2016	College of Nursing Recruitment Presentation to Guntersville High School Health Sciences Class
2016	Attended NUR 307 Scholarly Inquiry student poster presentations
2016-present	Faculty Search Committee Candidate Presentations. Attended several each year
2015-2016	Wrote notecards to prospective nursing students
2015	RN-BSN Program Recruiting Event at Crestwood Medical Center
2015	Sunshine Committee Treasurer
2014	Undergraduate Curriculum Sub-Committee, Chairperson of Task Force-Simulation Mapping
2014	Spoke with Health Sciences Internship students at Guntersville High School
2012	Charger Hospital Open House

Professional:

Fall 2024-present	Sigma Theta Tau, Beta Phi Chapter, Leadership Succession Committee
Fall 2022-Summer 2024	Sigma Theta Tau, Beta Phi Chapter Counselor
Spring 2023	Mentor for MSN in nursing education student
2021	Supervised students giving COVID 19 vaccines at Marshall County Health Department
2021	Supervised students giving COVID 19 vaccines at UAH clinic
2021	Supervised students giving Flu vaccines for staff and community at Crestwood Medical Center
2021-present	Member of Alabama League for Nursing
2019- 2021	Secretary Beta Phi Chapter of Sigma, International Honor Society of Nursing

2019	Alabama Association of Nursing Students State Conference, Assisted with registration
2012-present	Member Sigma, International Honor Society of Nursing, Beta Phi Chapter
2018	Sigma Theta Tau, Beta Phi chapter governing board
2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021	Attended Sigma Theta Tau Induction Ceremonies
2019	Alabama League for Nursing annual business meeting
2018	Presented continuing education program at Crestwood Medical Center, "Anticoagulation Safety"
2013-2020	Employee Health Flu Shot Clinic- Supervised students at Crestwood Medical Center every late Sept/ Oct
2011	Marshall Medical Center North Staff Skills Validation Fair – Provided instruction, competency validation for moderate sedation and use of restraints

Community:

Year	Activity
2023	Out of Darkness Walk
2021	Steamfest Science Festival, Manned UAH College of Nursing Booth
2021	HOSA Day, Dec
2021	UAH College of Nursing Disaster Simulation, Served a faculty coach
2019	Conducted mock interviews for Biomedical Innovations Class at Bob Jones High School, Nov
2018	Conducted mock interviews for Biomedical Intern students at Bob Jones High School in May and December 2018
2015	Senior Health & Fitness Day- Sponsored by Marshall Medical Centers
2012-2014	Supervised students in Let's Pretend Hospital
2011-2012	CASA Home Visits- Supervised students providing home safety and community needs assessment

HONORS AND AWARDS:

Year	Name
2018	Selected as a National League for Nursing Center of Excellence for Promoting the Pedagogical Expertise of Faculty. National League for Nursing Review Panel. 2018-2022
2013	Commendation Letter from Provost regarding outstanding student evaluations for Fall 2012.

CONTINUING EDUCATION:

Year	Activity
2025	

2025	ALN Annual Conference, Capstone College of Nursing, Tuscaloosa, AL Feb 2025, 7.5 contact hours
2024	Mentorship in Action, Sigma Theta Tau Lunch & Learn, Huntsville, AL, Feb
2024	Four Rules of Confrontation Workshop, UAHCON, Aug
2024	Next Generation Cases Made Easy, NurseTim webinar, May
2023	Sigma Theta Tau Lunch & Learn, Huntsville, AL
	Supporting Your PASS Leaders Lunch & Learn, UAH Student Success Center, Aug
2023	Civility Training, UAHCON, 12 hours throughout the year
2022	Alabama League for Nursing Annual Conference, Auburn University, March
2022	Completed Simulation Facilitator Education program, UAH, July
	Becoming the Top Gun in Simulation, Faculty Development, Huntsville, AL, Aug
2021	Alabama League for Nursing Annual Conference, Birmingham, AL, April
	Mental Health First Aid Training, Huntsville, AL, Jan
2021	NurseTim, Inc, Concept-Based Curriculum Reboot, Faculty Development, Huntsville, AL, May
2021	UAH Department of Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion, Implicit Bias Training, Requirement for Faculty Search Committee
2021	Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine: What Healthcare Professionals Need to Know, April
2021	UAH College of Nursing, Friday Night in the ER Training, Huntsville, AL, April
2021	American Association of Colleges of Nursing, An Insider's Look at 2020-2030 Future of Nursing Report, Webinar, May
2021	Relias, Who Will Teach Our Nurses, Webinar, April
2021	UAH Salmon Library & Wolters Kluwer, Visible Body Human Anatomy Atlas Training, Feb
2021	National Council for Behavioral Health, Mental Health First Aid, Huntsville, AL, Jan
2021	Hurst Review, Writing a Next-Generation NCLEX Case Study, Webinar, Jan
2021	Strategies for Successful Writing for Publication, Faculty Development, Nov
2020	UAH Office of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion, Difficult Conversations, Virtual by Zoom, Sept
2020	Sigma, COVID-19 Resources: Building Bridges of Hope over Roaring Waters: Educating During a Crisis, Webinar, April
2020	American Society on Aging, Social Isolation among Older Persons: Hidden in Plain View, Webinar, Dec
2020	UAH Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, Interactive Theatre for Implicit Bias, Huntsville, AL, Mar
2019	American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) Baccalaureate Education Conference, Orlando, FL, Nov, 11.5 CEUs
2019	AACN, Promoting and Sustaining a Culture of Civility in the Face of Challenging Nurse Educator Situations, Orlando, FL, Nov., 2 h CEU.

2019	University of Alabama Huntsville (UAH) Retention & Persistence Committee, Retention & Persistence Workshop, Huntsville, AL, Feb
2019	Sigma Theta Tau, Beta Phi Chapter, Domestic Violence: A Fuller Understanding, Huntsville, AL, April
2019	Alabama Department of Mental Health, Opioid Training Institute, Huntsville, AL, 7.8 h CEUs, June
2019	NurseTim, Inc, Clinical Assessment 1: Daily Feedback That Matters, Webinar, June
2019	Alabama League for Nursing Annual Conference, Hanceville, AL, Mar., 6.7 contact hours
2019	UA System 2019 Scholar's Institute, Huntsville, AL, May
2019	University of Alabama Birmingham School of Nursing, Nursing Education and Innovation Summit, Birmingham, AL April
2018	Sigma Theta Tau, RNs Role in Human Trafficking, Huntsville, AL, April
2018	UAH College of Nursing, Item Analysis and Exam Writing Faculty Development, Huntsville, AL
2018	Centers for Control & Prevention, Stop the Clot- What Every HCP Should Know, Web-based, April
2018	UAH, Collaborative Learning Faculty Workshop Dr. Mark Taylor, Moving to Best Practices with Today's Students, Huntsville, AL, Aug
2018	Alabama League for Nursing Annual Conference, Tuscaloosa, AL, Mar., 6.7 contact hours
2018	NurseTim, Inc, Alternative Format & Innovative Test Items, Webinar, May
2018	NurseTim, Inc, Opioid Addictions: Facts, Fiction, and Nurse Bias, Webinar, May
2018	NurseTim Inc, The Clinical QSEN Connection, Webinar, June
2018	Multicultural Awareness & Competencies. 2 hour
2018	UAH Academic Affairs, Dr. Saundra McGuire Workshop, Increasing Student Motivation & Get Students to Focus on Learning Instead of Grades, Huntsville, AL, Aug
2018	Autism & Higher Education Faculty Development hosted by UAH
2018	Elsevier Faculty Development on HESI remediation, SimChart, simulations
2018	Alabama League for Nursing Annual Conference, 7 CEUs
2018	Knocking Out Pain Safely with PCA
2017	Concept-Based Learning: Connecting Concepts in Simulation, Lab, and Clinical
2017	Culturally Competent Nursing Care: A Cornerstone of Caring
2017	Elsevier Simulation Resources Faculty Development
2017	The Diverse Student, Nurse Tim Incorporated Webinar
2017	Update on Breast Cancer Issues Continuing Education
2017	Promoting Academic Integrity, Nurse Tim Incorporated Webinar
2017	UAH Office of Diversity, Multicultural Awareness & Competencies, Huntsville, AL, Aug
2017	Clinical Reasoning Case Studies to Develop Nurse Thinking for NCLEX Success
2017	Certified Nurse Educator Review Workshop

2017	Teaching Prioritization & Delegation, Nurse Tim Incorporated Webinar
2017	NCLEX Across the Curriculum, Part 2, Nurse Tim Incorporated Webinar
2017	NCLEX Across the Curriculum, Part 1, Nurse Tim Incorporated Webinar
2016	Debriefing the Debriefing Workshop
2016	Test Item Writing Workshop
2016	UA Scholar's Institute: Exploiting Technology for Best Practices in Teaching & Learning
2016	Nursing Concepts Online Supplemental Education Sessions
2016	Hudson Alpha Institute Conference
2016	ADAPT Transformational Leadership Workshop - Beta Phi Chapter Sigma Theta Tau International
2015	Master Teacher Series- Formal Presentation Skills, University of AL Birmingham
2015	Concept Based Curriculum Part II
2015	Kaplan Nursing Education Conference, Cleveland, TN, 5 CEUs
2015	Active Teaching Strategies
2015	HESI Supplemental Education Session
2014	2 day conference, Improving Teaching & Learning, Dr. Harvey Brightman, UAH
2014	AACN QSEN Webinars- total 6 hours
2014	Concept Mapping for new faculty
2013	Building Skills in Test Analysis
2013	Attended Sigma Theta Tau program "Leadership from a Hope Paradigm"
2013	Attended Sigma Theta Tau Research Day
2012	Attended Sigma Theta Tau Program, "Violence Against Women"