



FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY

CHRISTINE E. LYNN COLLEGE OF NURSING

College of Nursing *Highlights*

- The College of Nursing published its annual magazine, *Transforming Care*, themed "Soaring Higher." View [here](#).
- The Provost's Certificate of Recognition for Publishing honored students who published during 2015-2016. Congratulations to the College of Nursing recipients - Richard Cabral, Valarie Grumme, Christine Moffa, Beth Pratt, Zahara Rahemi and Michael Reilly.
- Drs. Christine Williams and Eugenia Millender will lecture for two weeks at Nanjing Medical University in China.
- Philosophies and Practices of Emancipatory Nursing: Social Justice as Praxis* edited by Paula Kagan, Marlaine Smith (Dean) and Peggy Chinn was awarded first place in two categories of the AJN Book of the Year Awards.
- The College of Nursing has two post-doctoral visiting scholars - Dr. Guilin Yu, Dean, Wuhan University of Health Sciences in China, and Dr. Nongnut Oba, Associate Professor, Naresuan University of Thailand. Both are here to study caring science.



Grant Helps Community Health Center Expand Care for Patients in Need

FAU's College of Nursing Community Health Center received a \$600,000 grant from The Celia Lipton Farris and Victor W. Farris Foundation, Inc. to increase access to integrated nurse-led primary and behavioral care. Strategically located in the heart of West Palm Beach, FAU's Westgate Center serves

a high minority and low-income community, where only 18 percent of its low income residents have access to health centers.

With the grant, the Center will increase its hours of operation and expand outreach to screen for mental illness. The project will integrate behavioral health assessment, screening processes and interventions into the Center's existing nurse-led practice. Patients at the Center currently receive examinations, diagnostic tests, prescriptions, and follow-up care. The Center also will establish an integrated behavioral inter-professional practice to teach health profession students the competencies, practice knowledge and cultural sensitivity skills that are necessary to serve in community health care settings.



FAU Student Nurses Association Soars at State Conference

Eighteen College of Nursing students recently attended the Florida Nursing Students Association (FNSA) convention. More than 1,400 students from 60 nursing programs across the state were in attendance at the event.

A testament to their outstanding work, five of these Student Nurses Association (SNA) members are now officers at the state level, including Chris Demezier, state president, Rachel Kelley, first vice president; Queen Aisha Abdul Akbar, state treasurer; Nigam Reddy, region 5 director; and Sarah Thurlow, region 6 director.

There were also several awards given to the College of Nursing's SNA. FAU's SNA received awards for best legislative advocacy and political action, best communications to its members, and best faculty support of professional development. Queen received an individual award for her work in FNSA. FAU's College of Nursing also won 1st place for its banner as it best represented the convention theme, "Together Stronger Bolder." Finally, the Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing SNA won the top award in the state - the Diamond Chapter Award.

Congratulations to our SNA students, Dr. Goodman and other supportive faculty.



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



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