



# FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY

## CHRISTINE E. LYNN COLLEGE OF NURSING

### College of Nursing *Highlights*

- Save the Date: College of Nursing White Coat Ceremony will be held on Oct. 6, at 10 a.m. at the College.
- Save the Date: Dr. Deborah D'Avolio will discuss Research Addressing the Unmet Healthcare Needs of Older Adults: A Social Justice Issue on Oct. 10 at 4 p.m. in the College's Center for Caring.
- Save the Date: The 13th annual [Keep Memories Alive Walk](#) is Nov. 4 at the Town Center at Boca Raton.
- Save the Date: Nursing Consortium of South Florida's [Fall conference](#), "Mindfulness: Finding the Space to Care," is Nov. 16 at the Signature Grand in Davie.
- Save the Date: Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on March 2, at 6 p.m.
- Nadia Cuff, graduate student, was selected by the American Organization of Nurse Executives for Recognition as a Young Professional Voice in Nursing Leadership.
- Fifty nursing students attended and received certification as part of a Red Cross Disaster Training program.
- Drs. Cheryl Krause-Parello and Katherine Chadwell presented at the 2018 State of the Science Congress on Nursing Research - Precision Health.



### Nursing Students Participate in FAU's Inaugural Research Showcase

FAU recently held a two-day special event celebrating the cutting-edge research taking place today and in the future at the university. The event included FAU President John Kelly and David Fitzpatrick, Ph.D., CEO of the Max Planck Florida Institute for Neuroscience.

Several College of Nursing students, alumni and faculty presented posters at the FAU Research Showcase, including -

- Isabella Velasquez Botero, Honors BSN student: Action Research: Refining a Therapeutic Walking Intervention and Identifying Outcomes
- Manika Petcharat, PhD student: The Effects of a Brief Culturally Tailored Thai Mindfulness Intervention on Distress of Thai Parents of Children with Disabilities
- Bandana Neupane Poudel, PhD student: Factors Predicting Premature Aging: From Nursing Practice in Nepal to Research Design in the U.S.
- Sandra Gall-Ojuronbe, PhD graduate: An Examination of the Demographic, Social and Environmental Predictors of Risk for Schizophrenia in Afro-Caribbean Immigrants Living in the United States
- Tarsha Jones, Assistant Professor: Perspectives of Cancer Awareness and Needs Following Genetic Testing of Individuals with Low Socioeconomic Status at High Risk for Hereditary Cancer
- Cheryl Krause-Parello, Professor: Veterans and Service Dogs: An In-Depth Exploration on Restoring Independence.

Gall-Ojuronbe received one of the three Outstanding Poster awards at the event.

"We are pleased to have an opportunity to share the research being done by our students and faculty. From baccalaureate honors students to senior faculty, we are making a difference for those in our care through research, and this event has provided a showcase for the good work of our scholars, growing caring science," said Dr. Patricia Liehr, Associate Dean for Nursing Research and Scholarship.



### Nurses Christian Fellowship Host Medical Mission Trip

For many around the country, Labor Day marks the end of summer and is celebrated with parades, barbeques and down time. For a select group of College of Nursing students and faculty, it was a day to help others, both educating people on the importance of healthy communities and focusing on their own personal health needs.

Students from the Nurses Christian Fellowship club joined Drs. Lisa Wiese, Deb Hain, and Rhonda Goodman on a trip to West Virginia Appalachia country. They participated in a health screening fair, providing blood sugar and blood pressure checks, at the Rainelle United Methodist Church. They also built a wheelchair ramp for a family who lost their home and a family member due to flooding from Hurricane Matthew.

"We truly appreciate their engagement with this community. It serves as a shining example of the mission of the College of Nursing," said Dean Marlaine Smith.



*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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