

Marshall University BSN Newsletter, Fall 2025 Edition

Thanksgiving Break
November 24th- 28th



Nursing School Office Hours are 8:00 am - 4:30 pm Monday - Friday



Advanced Priority Registration for Spring 2026 Freshmen and Sophomore Nursing Students

IMPORTANT: Advanced Priority Registration for BSN freshmen and sophomore Nursing Students in the School of Nursing is: Thursday, October 30th—Friday, October 31st, 2025.

Freshmen and sophomores who do not take advantage of this opportunity must wait until the regular Advanced Registration begins. There are no exceptions to this rule. Advanced Registration for **Spring 2026** semester for full-time, currently enrolled students runs: **Monday, November 3—Friday, November 14, 2025.**

Student's must meet with their advisor to obtain their schedule.

Special scheduling accommodations for spring nursing clinical: If you are a student athlete on scholarship, are in the HELP program, work full-time for a single employer or in active military or ROTC, please email Dr. Muto. (lisa.muto@marshall.edu) with any schedule requests.

HESI Exam Schedule (Fall 2025): Huntington and So Charleston

HESI Exam	Date	Time	Location	Remediation
Maternity	11/17/25	9:00am	CH 104	12/7/25 at 9:00am
Psychology/Mental Health	12/2/25	9:00am	CH 436	12/12/25 at 9:00am
Pediatrics	12/2/25	4:00pm	CH 435	12/12/25 at 9:00 am
NUR 411	10/6/25	1:30pm	So Char	10/13/25 at 9:00am
Pharmacology	10/1/05	1.20	G. Char	12/12/25 -4 0-00
NUR 411 Med/Surg	12/1/25	1:30pm	So Char	12/12/25 at 9:00am
NUR 414 Med/ Surg	11/10/25	1:00pm	TBA	12/13/25 at 11:30pm
NUR 414	11/3/25	1:00pm	TBA	12/13/25 at
Pharmacology				11:30pm

In most cases, the HESI practice exam is required before taking the HESI exam, but students should check with course faculty concerning this requirement. Students are to bring Marshall photo ID's and ear buds. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the exam.

Important Dates for Fall 2025

October 3—1st 7 weeks courses end

October 9 & 10— October break

October 13—2nd 7 weeks courses begin

October 20— Students should schedule appointments with advisors

October 30 & 31st—Advanced Priority registration—only for students on the list

November 24—28—Thanksgiving Break

December 6-12th-Finals week

December 23 - January 1, 2026- Winter Break (University Closed)

SNA NEWS

Officers:

President: Blaire Vaughn

Vice President: Hannah Workman

Secretary: Aris Miller

Treasurer: Sydney Harrison Fundraising: Clare Bates Historian: Bria Blume

Activities this semester:

**Badge Reel Making Event: Noon September 15

**Game Night with Dr Hodges: 6:30pm—September 30th (date may change)

**Donuts & Hot Cocoa—Midweek pick me up- 8am -2pm or as supplies last—November 19th

**2 meetings per month

NSNA membership, in addition to the MUSNA is encouraged for all nursing students. Students interested in being officers in the future need to be SNA members.

Spring 2026 Pinning/ Hooding

Spring graduation is May 9, 2026. It is recommended you apply for graduation by November 14, 2025.

The MU School of Nursing will be hosting a pinning/hooding ceremony in the Spring for students in the Pre-licensure, BA/BS to BSN, RN to BSN, MSN & PM DNP programs. The date will be Thursday, May 7, 2026.



NCF (Nurses Christian Fellowship)

Meetings will be the first Tuesday of each month @ 3:00pm

Please reach out to Professor Bethany McFann mcfannb@marshall.edu Or Dr Tammy Minor minort@marshall.edu



SPRING 2026 ADVANCE REGISTRATION SCHEDULE

For Currently Enrolled Students

Seniors:

(90 + hours completed as of 8/18/25) Monday, November 3, 2025

Juniors:

(60 –89 hours completed as of 8/18/25) Tuesday, November 4 - Wednesday November 5

Sophomores:

(30 –59 hours completed as of 8/18/25) Thursday, November 6—Monday November 10

Freshmen:

Tuesday November 11—Friday November 14

All RN to BSN Students will be registered for nursing courses by the COHP Office according to their plan of study.

RN to BSN students are responsible for registering themselves for non-nursing classes.



2026 BSN, BA/BS to BSN & RN to BSN Graduation Composite Pictures

By Hedgecock's Photography 826 20th Street Huntington, WV 304-525-4657

Available times are between 9am—4pm

October 21, 22, 23, 28, 29, 30th

No appointment necessary

Women are to wear a white blouse.

Please do not wear a silk top or a t-shirt.

They recommend a button-down top, a polo style or even a sweater.

Men are to wear a white button-down shirt. The photographer will provide an MU necktie.

Remediation Program

The remediation program exists to assist the learner in facilitating their optimal studying capabilities and hold everyone accountable in meeting their goals.

For study tips & tricks: email Dr Angie Graham - chapma68@marshall.edu

The remediation program has a new room to call their own. Corbly Hall 242 is designed as a nursing room for the fall 2025 semester. It has been reserved through December 6, 2025. Please sign up for times within the calendar in the door. There are dry erase markers, and if you need something for the room to facilitate learning, please text 304-208-3057.







RN to BSN Information—Picture info on page 4 of newsletter

Practicum/Clinical Component Courses for RN to BSN Students

NUR 410 & NUR 427 are the two nursing courses in the RN to BSN program that
requires practicum/ clinical. You need to check your Marshall Email several weeks
PRIOR to when you are to take these courses (even in the summer). Important
information is being emailed to you from the course professors on the steps you need to
complete PRIOR to the start of the course. These include finding your own practicum site,
securing contract agreements, preceptor forms, Marshall RN to BSN ID badge, etc. It is
your responsibility to complete these in the timeline provided or you could possibly be withdrawn from the course. These are 7 week courses and securing practicum
placements takes time. Make sure to keep CPR current on Verified Credentials.

According to the SON policy, students who do not have evidence of current CPR on file with
Verified Credentials or who do not have an MU School of Nursing Student ID badge
CANNOT participate in practicum experiences (NUR 410, NUR 427).

Failure to participate will result in failure of the class, no exceptions.

School of Nursing Pinning Ceremony for Fall 2025 and Spring 2026 Graduates

The School of Nursing will be hosting a combined pinning/hooding ceremony in the spring for pre-licensure, RN to BSN, Masters & PM DNP Students. This is for both December and May graduates. The date is May 7, 2026. Additional details will be coming via email.

MU School of Nursing Pins

BSN nursing pins are available for purchase at C. F. Reuschlein Jewelers in Huntington WV. Contact the store for pricing and to purchase a pin. Their phone number is (304) 697-7710.

Graduation

Winter commencement will be held on December 13, 2025, at the Mountain Health Arena.



Spring Graduation is May 9, 2026. Make sure to submit your application on time—Jan 30, 2026 is deadline. Academic regalia is required and can be purchased at MU bookstore,

Registration Info for RN to BSN

**Students will be registered each semester for nursing classes according to their plan of study on file. It is the student's responsibility to check to make sure you are correctly enrolled in classes and notify your advisor of any errors.

**Students are responsible for registering themselves in non-nursing classes. Online classes fill up quickly so make sure you register as soon as registration opens which will November 3 for Spring 2026 semester. Students were given information as to additional classes needed upon admission to the RN to BSN program. Contact your assigned advisor if you have questions.

Application for Graduation

If you are graduating in December, you need to complete your graduation application and return it to Dean Crawford in COHP office ASAP. You must also pay the university fee for graduation. Please address any questions to Mr. Crawford: crawfordd@marshall.edu

Who Are You?

The MUSON would like to welcome Professor Angeline Nicolette Dvorak (Nikki), MSN, MPH, BSN, RN, CNL-BC, as an Assistant Professor of Nursing. Her scholarly interests and research focus on public health and community health promotion in Appalachia. She is a board-certified Clinical Nurse Leader and is completing her Doctor of Nursing Practice at Liberty University (graduation expected 2026). She holds a Master of Science in Nursing Leadership and Management, a Master of Public Health, and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Bluegrass Community and Technical College, and a Bachelor of Arts in English from Loyola University.

Her professional experience includes more than six years with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs in both clinical and supervisory roles, as well as service as a Senior Investigator for the Virginia Department of Health Professions, a Patient Assistance Case Coordinator for Pharmacy Services at the University of Kentucky, and a staff nurse in critical care units across multiple health systems.

Outside of her academic work, Professor Dvorak enjoys restoring her historic home and is a proud dog mom to six fur babies.

The MUSON program welcomes Dr Deanna Pope as the new director of the RN to BSN program. Dr Pope brings three decades of dedication to nursing education and practice. A graduate of Mount Carmel College of Nursing, University of Phoenix, and Case Western Reserve University—where she earned her Doctor of Nursing Practice. Dr. Pope has served in both acute care and public health settings, including St. Francis Hospital, Holzer Medical Center, and the Gallia County Health Department. For more than 20 years, she has been a faculty member at Marshall University School of Nursing, where she has taught a wide range of nursing courses and clinicals in both the BSN and RN to BSN programs. She has actively served on many school of nursing and professional committees over the years.

Outside of her professional life, Dr Pope lives on a family farm where her husband runs a sheep, cattle, and crop agriculture business. She enjoys spending time with her family, especially outdoors during the fall season. She and her husband have two children—a daughter in graduate school and a son in college. She also shares her home with several loved pets, including three dogs and two cats.