

## Marshall University School of Nursing BSN Newsletter Spring 2025 Edition

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Student Nurses Association (SNA) Meetings: Wednesday CH 463 @ 3:00 2/26 3/26 4/23– tentative dates

Nurses Christian Fellowship (NCF) Meetings: Last Tuesday of each month at 3pm— Place TBA

# **Administrative Changes**

Dr. Lisa Muto, DNP, WHNP-BC, AGN-BC, CGRA is the new Director of Nursing for the BSN program. Dr. Muto completed her DNP degree from WVU in 2011 with focus on women at increased risk for breast cancer, cancer screening, and hereditary cancer syndromes. She also graduated from the University of Cincinnati with Master of Science in Nursing. She has been a nurse for over 20 years with experience in cancer genetics, oncology, and critical care.

#### HESI Schedule Spring 2025 Marshall University School of Nursing

Please check the schedule below for room assignments.

HESI Exam	Date	Time Scheduled	Location	Remediation
HESI Exit 1	February 3rd	1:00-4:30 pm	Student Center 2W22	
HESI Exit 2	April 28	1:00– 4:30 pm	Student Center 2W22	May 5th noon
Mental Health	April 28	9:00 am	CH 436	May 9th noon
Peds	April 29th	4:00 pm	CH 435	May 6th noon
OB/Maternity	April 21st	10:00 am	CH 463	May 4th 11:30 am
Management	April 30th	10:00am	Student Center 2W22	May 7th noon
HESI Fundamentals	M/W class: April 21	1:00 pm	CH 463	May 9th 8:00 pm
	Tues/ Thur class: April 22	4:00 pm	CH 463	
South Charleston	April 28th	1:00 pm	South Charleston campus	May 4th 11:59 pm

# Advanced Priority Registration or Advanced Registration

What is the difference between **advanced priority registration** and **advanced registration**? And who qualifies for it?

Advanced priority registration is for students in nursing who have already been admitted and currently have "Nursing" as their major. According to MU, a freshman or sophomore for the hours you have completed (Freshman 0-29 hours, Sophomore 30-59) collectively while a student. Students who are athletes, honors, students with support services & military also qualify for advanced priority registration. Students who are newly admitted as a sophomore in the nursing program and any student with over 59 hours would not qualify.

Advanced Priority registration is scheduled for April 3 –6, 2025. After April 6th, any student who does not register will have to wait until their scheduled registration date based off of the hours they have completed.

**Advanced Registration** is for students who are currently enrolled in classes at Marshall. **Advanced registration** begins on Monday, April 7—Friday April 18, 2025.

Any student who transfers <u>into</u> Marshall, is not eligible for advanced registration. Registration for students who have been admitted into Marshall but not a current student is Monday, April 21, 2025.

**ALL Students in the nursing program** please keep in mind that you are guaranteed your nursing classes so do not worry that you will not get the classes you need.

# **Remediation Program**

- The MUSON Prelicensure BSN program has the remediation program that students can utilize. The Remediation Course is a <u>requirement</u> that will help students close learning gaps, provide extra support, reinforce core skills, reduce struggle, and potentially prevent failure. The Remediation Course is a self-led review course that requires students to become introspective about their learning, studying, and test taking abilities. The remediation policy can be found in the student handbook. **Dr. Angela Graham** will coordinate the program.
- Dr. Graham will reach out via email when students are unsuccessful on exams, or you can reach out to her (chapma68@marshall.edu). Students should always reach out to their instructor and request concepts missed on the exam.
- Office hours for Dr. Graham are as follows: Monday's 11:30-2:30 and Tuesday's 11:00-2:30. Other hours available by appointment.
- Help is offered with study techniques to assist students in identifying knowledge gaps, areas of weakness, and test taking strategies.
- Dr. Grahm will identify learning styles of the student and tailor Remediation based upon those findings. This is an extremely valuable tool for a student who might be struggling with certain components of a class.



## Pinning Ceremony

The School of Nursing will hold a pinning ceremony for the Class of 2025 on Thursday, May 8,at 7:00pm in the Don Morris Room of the Memorial Student Center on Marshall campus. Ticket information will become available in April.



#### Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society Nu Alpha Chapter News Marshall University

The Spring Induction for Nu Alpha Chapter will be **Monday, April 21, 2025** at **6:00pm** in room **BE 5** in the **basement of the Memorial Student Center**. Undergraduate and Graduate students who meet eligibility requirements will be invited to join the Nu Alpha Chapter by email from



#### **Professor Ashlee Hutchison**

current President of Nu Alpha Chapter.

Students please follow the instructions given in the email.

Founded in 1922 in Indianapolis, Indiana, STTI is internationally regarded as the top honor society for nursing and is dedicated to advancing world health. There are many benefits with STTI membership including free continuing nursing education credit through online courses, nursing scholarships and research journals, career and networking opportunities with nurses in every specialty world -wide, international nursing research conferences, and recognition for your

successes.

For more information on Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society, you can visit at www.sigmanursing.org.



#### **RN to BSN Program Information**

## 1st 7 weeks courses ends on Friday, February 28, 2025 2nd weeks courses begins on Monday, March 3, 2025

#### **Pinning Ceremony**

**The School of Nursing** will hold a pinning ceremony for Fall 2024 and Spring 2025 graduates Thursday, May 8, 2025 at 7:00pm in the Don Morris Room of the Memorial Student Center. To attend the ceremony, tickets are required. More information will be available about how to get tickets in early April.

### **Graduation** Application

If you are graduating May 2025 you should complete your graduation application and return it to Dean Crawford in the COHP Dean's Office by Friday, January 31, 2025. You must also pay the fee for graduation. Please direct questions related to graduation application to Mr. Dean Crawford, (<u>crawfordd@marshall.edu</u>). Specific graduation Information can be found at <u>https://www.marshall.edu/cohp-student-services/graduation/</u>

Saturday, May 10, 2025 Commencement - TBD at Mountain Health Arena - Academic regalia is required. Can be purchased at MU bookstore.

#### **Course Registration Information**

- 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 to notify your Advisor of any errors so your schedule can be corrected.
- 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 begin **April 7**, **2025** for Fall 2025 term.
- IMPORTANT: It is also the responsibility of the student to keep track of needed non-nursing classes and register for these classes to complete requirements for graduation. Students were given information as to additional classes needed upon admission to the RN to BSN Program. Contact your Advisor if you have any questions.

### **CPR Requirements**

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 cannot participate in project based experiences (NUR 318, NUR 333, NUR 410, NUR 427). Failure to participate will result in failure of the class.

#### WHO ARE YOU?

**Dr. Sarah Hodges** has worked for **Marshall University SON** for 12 years and is taking a new role as a full-time faculty She is currently the Simulation and Lab Coordinator. Dr. Hodges has a medical-surgical and telemetry background and practiced at Putnam General and CAMC Teays Valley Hospital. She is a two-time graduate of **Marshall University**, earning her **BSN** in 2004 and **MSN** in Nursing Education in 2012. In 2016, she completed her DNP at Chatham University in Pittsburgh, PA a in 2024 passed the Certified Healthcare Simulation Educator examination. Dr. Hodges' academic interests include simulation, academic integrity, and ethics.

Dr. Hodges is married with four children, and the oldest two are freshmen at **Marshall**. She has competed in (and won) jigsaw puzzle competitions, loves board games, and participates in Team Trivia with friends on a weekly basis. She enjoys traveling with friends an family, Jamaica and Utah being among favorite destinations. Dr. Hodges has one dog, Falcon, who is part-dog and part-chicken.

**Professor Emily Wiseman**, MSN RN CN-BN is an assistant professor at **Marshall University SON**. She lives in Proctorville, OH with her husband and three sons. She has been a nurse for 10 years earning her ASN at St. Mary's School of Nursing in 2013, BSN at Ohio University in 2018, and MSN at Kentucky Christian University in 2020. Prior to joining **Marshall University**, Professor Wiseman held multiple nursing roles in patient care specializing in Oncology, Women's Health, and Diabetes. She previously worked at Cabell Huntington Hospital on Oncology, followed by becoming a Breast Health Navigator while working at the Breast Health Center. Professor Wiseman was the Inpatient Diabetes Education Coordinator at St. Mary's Medical Center before coming to **Marshall University**.

**Professor Melissa Lovejoy** graduated in December 2013 with her BSN from Maryville University in St. Louis, MO. She has been a nurse for eleven years. Professor Lovejoy completed her MSN in Nursing Education through Northern Kentucky University in August 2023. She has been accepted into the **Post** -Masters DNP program at Marshall and will begin classes in August 2025.

Her work history includes Observation-Telemetry/Med-Surg at St. Anthony's Medical Center in St. Louis (now Mercy South), Home Health and Pediatric Private Duty Nursing through Community Home Health in Ironton, OH and Nursing Education at Collins Career Center in Chesapeake, OH. She is married to her best friend, Daniel and has three children, Hannah, Gabriel and Joseph.

**Professor Jill Sypolt,** FNP is from St. Albans, WV and graduated from **Marshall University's** BSN program in 1993. She worked at Thomas Memorial Hospital on the telemetry floor and the emergency department. She completed her MSN with emphasis in Nursing Administration in 2000 from Marshall University and worked as Clinical coordinator of the ER. She then taught Nursing at the University of Charleston in their ADN and BSN program until she graduated with her **Post Most Master's Certificate in FNP from Marshall University** in 2007. She worked as an FNP for the women's health department and the Emergency department then moved to working for the Hospitalist. She took a job with IQVIA in research in 2022 working on various projects including subjects with Multiple sclerosis and Systemic Lupus Erythema. She is excited to be back on campus teaching. Professor Sypolt has twin girls that will start at Marshall in Fall 2025.