IUP Department of Nursing and Allied Health Professions

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Information for the student and faculty newsletter can be forwarded to Dr. Julie Greenawalt at jgreen@iup.edu

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HALFTIME!!

Professors	Students
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We are officially halfway through the semester. It is time to bring your grades up and take the time to further your education as a nurse. Campus offers many educational tools that can help you achieve your full potential and end the semester with a win. Take advantage of the opportunity and make a come back during the second half!

Supplemental Instruction (SI)/Tutoring

Peer leaders guide students on how to learn course content. The sessions supplement, but do not replace, out-of-class preparation for the course. All students in designated course sections wanting to improve understanding of course content and grades are urged to participate weekly. As a group, you will review notes, clarify text material, discuss ideas, do worksheets, prepare for tests, and take practice exams. Come prepared: Bring notes, text, and questions!

For more details visit IUP's website under supplemental instruction or email peer-assistance@iup.edu

The Writing Center

A popular destination for IUP students, the Writing Center offers a variety of free services and resources to help students develop their writing skills as well as a quiet, comfortable environment to get creative juices flowing.

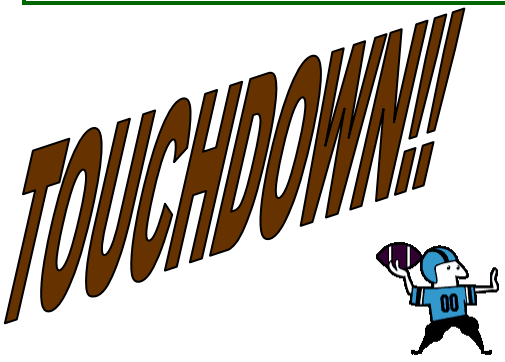
The Writing Center Offers the Following:

- Tutoring
- Workshops
- Help Sheets
- Multilingual Writers

Visit the Writing Center Today—no appointment needed. They are located in 218 Eicher Hall, on Grant Street across from Wallwork

Meet with Professors

Visit your professors during office hours or make an appointment to meet with them. They are more then willing to help you succeed. Don't be afraid to ask questions!!



Scholarship Information

Various scholarship opportunities are made available to IUP nursing students. These opportunities are shared with you as the department becomes informed. Please take the opportunity to browse the bulletin board between the offices of 228 and 229 Johnson Hall. Five new scholarships* are offered within the department and are due on Nov. 28, 2011.

Mary Agnus Powers Scholarship Fund and South-western PA Registered Nurse Club Scholarships for Nursing Students

The Pocket Nurse Scholarship Fund of The Pittsburgh Foundation

St. Francis School of Nursing Alumni of Pittsburgh, PA Scholarship Fund

Army Nurse Corps Association 2012 Memorial Scholarship Program

After College/AACN Scholarship Fund

***Brody Foundation Scholarship for Nursing**

***Dr. F. Philip Gorman Nursing Scholarship**

***Alexa J. Boyer Emerick Nursing Scholarship**

***Kay Staszkiewicz Memorial Scholarship**

***Ella B. Seanor Leadership in Nursing Award**

Women's Club of IUP Book Award

The Women's Club of IUP will be awarding four (4) $100.00 Book Awards to deserving female students prior to the beginning of the second semester. This Book Award is based on the financial need of the student, as well as the information contained on the required application and 200 word essay.

The Awards are in the form of house credit designated for "Textbooks Only" established at the IUP Co-op Bookstore in the name of the recipient. The credit may be used anytime during the semester for the purchase of textbooks.

Questions may be addressed to Shirley Bush, 1632 Old Route 119 N., Indiana, PA 15701, by e-mail to sabush4@hotmail.com, or by phone (724-349-2647) prior to the application deadline of November 9, 2011.

Primary Health Network Charitable Foundation

The mission of the **Primary Health Network Charitable Foundation** is to build and support programs in the PHN service area that increases access to healthcare services and assist, through scholarships the pursuit of medical and allied health careers.

The Academic Award program assists students who are pursuing a career in a health care field. The Primary Health Network Charitable Foundation awards ten (10) Academic Awards annually to local educational institutions within the Primary Health Network service area in the amount of $1,000.

Return completed application via mail postmarked on or before January 6, 2012 to:

The Primary Health Network Charitable Foundation
Attn: Cheryl Goldstone – Director of Income and Program Development
123 E. State St.
Sharon, PA 16146

cgoldstone@primary-health.net
724-981-2875 x 204

Masters and Ph.D Program News

MASTERS NEWS

Recruiting Students Now!

The Masters Program in Nursing is currently recruiting students for a new cohort to start in the Education Track at the Indiana Campus for the spring 2012 semester. Students can apply online at: http://www.iup.edu/grad/nursing.

For additional information please call 724-357-7467 or email the program coordinator, Dr. Kristy Chunta at kchunta@iup.edu.

PH.D NEWS

ecruiting Students for New Cohort

The PhD in Nursing program is currently recruiting students for a new cohort to start Fall 2012. Students can apply online at http://www.iup.edu/grad/nursing

For additional information please call 724 357-2559 or email the doctoral program coordinator, Dr. Teresa Shellenbarger at tshell@iup.edu

Poster Presentation

Riah Hoffman, a doctoral candidate in nursing presented a poster entitled, Incivility: A Concept Analysis in Nursing Education, at the 41st Biennial Convention of Sigma Theta Tau International in Grapevine, Texas. Yeah Riah!

Nurse's Christian Fellowship

Nurses Christian Fellowship presents **"Thanksgiving: The Power of a Grateful Heart"**

Where? #252 Johnson Hall Lab

When? Wednesday, November 16th., from 12pm – 1:15pm

Come for a bit of spiritual refreshment!

Soup, sandwiches & cupcakes will be provided for all !

Please, RSVP to: edie.west@iup.edu, so enough food is available

Focus on the Faculty

Dr. Lora Ott

Dr. Ott is one of the newest nursing faculty members here at IUP. Besides her nursing career she keeps busy as a single mom with two children, two married step children, two grandchildren, and a dog. Dr. Ott is a 1981 nursing graduate of IUP. She received her masters in Maternal Child Health at the University of Pittsburgh. In July 2011 she earned her Doctorate from the University of Pittsburgh with a focus on patient safety. In a featured article we learned more about this wonderful new addition to our nursing department.

What brought you to IUP?

"I thought it was a good fit for me. I am from Greensburg and I liked the option to do clinical teaching at Excela Health. I also really like IUP's emphasis on education."

What are some of your long and short term goals?

"For my short term goal I would really like to get back into ballroom dancing and for my long term goal I would like to do some traveling."

What are some of the strengths to IUP's program? How can you contribute to that?

I think the strength of IUP's program is it's emphasis on teaching. I have a passion to teach nurses how to assess clinical situations and recognize patient instability.

Do you have any unique qualities you would like to share with us?

Even though I have two left feet I love to dance, especially ballroom dancing.

SAVE THE DATE!!!

11.7.2011 Individual course withdrawal deadline

11.11.2011 Total semester withdrawal deadline

11.15.2011 May 2012 application for graduation deadline for undergraduate students

12.17.2011 Commencement for December graduates

12.19.2011 Start of Winter Session.

*1.9-12.2012-NCLEX Review sponsored by Kaplan hosted by the IUP Department of Nursing and Allied Health. , *8:30 to 4:00 pm. Stay tuned for more details!*

Job and Externship Opportunities

UPMC
University of Pittsburgh Medical Center

Job Openings at UPMC
Whatever your career goals, at UPMC, you'll stretch your capacities while charting a course for personal and professional success. UPMC is looking for those who believe in the power of innovation to make a difference in peoples lives—in health care, communities, finance, information technology, and much more.

UPMC offers competitive compensation, benefits, and rewards package, including their unique LifeSolutions program.

To search, register and apply, go to:
http://www.upmc.com/careersatUPMC/Pages/default.aspx

Nurse Extern Program
Gain hands on experience with a multitude of technical skills while further developing the art of psychological intervention in a real work setting. Work one on one with a professional R.N. preceptor!

June 4 - August 2, 2012

Apply online at www.somersetmedicalcenter.com for the Nurse Extern position. A Nurse Extern Application will then be mailed to your home address.

Induction Luncheon Meeting

SIGMA THETA TAU HONOR SOCIETY OF NURSING'S ZETA LAMBDA CHAPTER

When? Saturday April 14, 2012
11:30 AM Social
12:15 PM Luncheon
1:00 PM Induction Ceremony

Where? Rustic Lodge
2199 Oakland Avenue
Indiana, PA 15705

Interested? Contact Dr. West at edie.west@iup.edu for more information

If you choose to become a member, you will receive honor cords to wear at graduation and a certificate of membership to the only international honor society for nursing currently in existence. Check it out at: www.nursingsociety.org

Juniors in their second semester and seniors are eligible to join. Any interested student, faculty or ZL member is also welcome to come to the induction and support our new members. ...The deadline for application is 4pm on February 22nd.

If you meet the criteria for membership outlined on the Moodle site, we encourage you to download a hard copy of the application, fill it out (including the 2 endorsements for membership by faculty) and be sure to include your NON-IUP e-mail. Submit the completed application to Dr. Janice Holmes, ZL President before the deadline. Specifics on the parent organization, IUP's Zeta Lambda Chapter and details on the application for membership process can be found on the Moodle site.

Check this Out!

The Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing's Zeta Lambda Chapter Moodle site has been updated..... We invite you to check it out.