Spring Break


2009 Summer and Fall Registration

Fall advising appointments will soon begin. Beginning on March 1st, 2009 undergraduate students can check their registration status in URSA to find the date and time to begin registering for the Fall term. Check your advisor’s office door for sign-up sheets to schedule an advising appointment.

As a reminder, students will be able to sign-up for Summer 2009 undergraduate nursing classes beginning Tuesday, March 24, 2009. Students can sign up in the Nursing Office Room 210, Johnson Hall. Please refer to the Summer Nursing Course Eligibility Policy that was emailed to all students by Dr. Palmer.

SNAP Information

Student Nurse Challenge
Members of SNAP will compete at the upcoming Student Nurse Challenge. The event will be held on March 20th, 2009 at 5:30pm at the Penn State New Kensington Campus. The team will compete with other nursing programs from across the state of Pennsylvania by answering NCLEX style questions. Come cheer the IUP Student Nurse Challenge team, show your support, and review for the NCLEX exam! Go Team!!!

Sweet Tooth Alert
There will be a bake sale held at the Student Nurse Challenge. Donations will be picked up on March 20th in the Nursing Office.
Seminar and Senior Meeting

Guest Speaker
Please come to hear Mr. Scott Rhodes, an alumni from IUP's master's nursing program who will be speaking on February 25, 2009 at 7:15pm in the Delaware room of the HUB. His topic will be on Aerospace Nursing. The presentation is open to all nursing students.

Senior Meeting
Please note that immediately after Mr. Rhodes’ presentation there will be a senior class meeting that will begin at 8:30pm in the Delaware Room. Mark your calendars!

Reminder—Nursing Formal
The Junior Class is pleased to announce that the IUP Nursing Formal will be held on Saturday, April 18, 2009 at the Indiana Country Club. All levels of nursing students and faculty are invited. Email Megan Wallwork, Junior Class President, at m.c.wallwork@iup.edu with any questions.

Spring 2009 Skill of the Week

Practice makes perfect!
Remember the nursing lab will offer a “Skill of the Week” throughout the spring semester. All practice sessions will be held from 3:30-6:30pm in the Pratt Labs.

2/25: Medication Administration (Oral)
3/04: Medication Administration (IM, SQ, ID)
3/18: Sterile Dressings
3/25: Ostomy Management
4/01: Wound Management
4/08: Nasopharyngeal Suctioning

There is open lab for all students on Mondays from 10am-3pm.
The lab can also be used by appointment. Please check with Mrs. Taylor Edwards for availability.

PhD Program Accepting Applications

We are currently accepting applications for the PhD in Nursing program for the next cohort that will begin in Fall 2010. Applications are accepted on a rolling admission basis.

Graduate assistant and teaching associate positions are available to assist with educational costs.

For further information about the program and opportunities visit www.iup.edu/rn-alliedhealth/programs/nursingphd or contact Dr. Teresa Shellenbarger, Doctoral Program Coordinator at 724-357-2559.
Graduate Alumni News

Kudos to students from the administrative track on their recent publication in *Nursing Management*. Their article is entitled *Enable the disabled: An untapped resource for the nursing shortage*. Authors are Donna Smouse Ferguson MSN RN, Vivian S. Evans MSN MBA RN, Donna Bodnar Hajduk MSN RN, Diane L. Jones MSN RN, Donna Liston MSN RN, Elizabeth Myers MSN RN-C, Terri Myers MSN RN CSN, Amy Sutara MSN RN CSN, and Nashat Zuraikat PhD RN.

Faculty News

Congratulations to Drs. Julia Greenawalt and Edie West who recently finished their PhDs. Dr. Greenawalt graduated from the University of Pittsburgh. Her dissertation was entitled *Modifiable cardiovascular risk factors in the early adolescent period*. Dr. West graduated from Bangor University, Bangor, Wales. Her dissertation was entitled *History, organization, and the changing culture of care: A historical analysis of the frontier nursing service*.

Graduate Assistant Applications

Graduate Assistant (GA) Applications are currently being accepted for the 2009-2010 academic year. Master’s and Doctoral students are encouraged to apply. Students can apply for 20-hour and 10-hour assistantships. The positions provide some tuition remission, summer tuition waivers, and a stipend. Applications and further information are available through the School of Graduate Studies and Research at 724-357-2222 or via the website. Applications are due March 15, 2009.