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NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR
By Dr. Suling Li, PhD, FNP-BC

As we approach the end of the academic year, I want to express my gratitude for your hard work, passion and resilience throughout the year. Thank you to all for a job well done.

This coming Saturday, we will be sending off another group of students to the healthcare workforce through a pinning ceremony. To our graduating cohort, know that nurses are the backbone of healthcare, and I have no doubt that you will continue to shine as you embark on the next chapter of your nursing careers. As you move forward, I encourage you to hold on to the dreams that brought you to nursing. Continue seeking opportunities to expand your knowledge and skills to create a brighter and healthier future for all.

The school of nursing doesn’t take summer off, which allows the most efficient progression of our students. As we welcome new cohorts into the programs and support existing students to make progress, it is important to remember that nursing is a noble profession that requires extensive knowledge and the highest level of professionalism. Students’ countless hours studying, practicing, and honing skills will translate into the formation of competent nurses, who will make a positive difference in the lives of our patients.

Congratulations to all on completing another successful year! It is truly a privilege to work with you.

Dr. Suling Li, PhD, FNP-BC
CNO and Director
June is Pride Month

Here are some resources to support LGBTQ patients and advocate to improve their care experience:

*LGBTQ Youth, from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

*Health Equity and LGBTQ Elders of Color: Recommendations for Policy and Practice, from SAGE: Advocacy and Resources for LGBT Elders


*Surrogate Medical Decision-Making and the LGBTQ Community, from the Human Rights Campaign.

*Letter signed on May 24, 2019, by ANA and 30 other health professional organizations opposing plans to weaken nondiscrimination protections for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals under Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act.

~American Nurses Association

Happy Pride!

School Updates & Reminders

June 7 - 9, 9AM - 4PM - Mandatory ATI Live Review
Levan Center Room
All Q8 students attendance required for NCLEX Prep Course

June 10, 10:30AM - 12PM Student Center 120 AB
Q8 students arrive by 10:15AM to line up for processional

June 12, Begin Summer '23 Quarter

June 19th - Juneteenth Observation
University Closed (Includes Clinicals)

July 4 - Independence Day
University Officially Closed (Includes clinicals)
Faculty Highlight
Aima Mathew MSN, RN, DePaul MENP- Simulation and Nursing Laboratories Educator

I’ve been at DePaul since September of 2022. I am the first generation in my family to attend college in the U.S. I’ve been in the nursing profession for 14 years now and have a nursing background in critical care and PACU. As a nurse educator, I believe it is important to be able to relate to my students, see things from their perspective and tailor my education to meet the needs of the individual learner. I’ve worked directly with simulation for the past six years and have seen the profound effect it has on students’ learning. The ability to share insights, discuss, and teach in a safe environment has allowed our students to blossom and grow.

As a full-time educator, my passion for teaching carries over to my children as well. I have two children under the age of five who are my pride and joy. They constantly remind me of the importance of education and the profound impact an educator could have on students’ academic journey.

My personal hobbies are to travel both domestically and internationally with my family and go hiking. As the weather warms up here in Chicago, any free time I have is spent outdoors with my husband and kids. I am also training for my very first half marathon this June and hoping to cross another item off my bucket list!

Feel free to find me at the 990 W Fullerton building to see what my team and I are up to!
The School of Nursing celebrated its 2nd annual White Coat Ceremony on Monday, May 8th at the Lincoln Park Student Center. The White Coat Ceremony is a solemn ritual that emphasizes compassionate, collaborative, scientifically excellent care from the first day of training to become a Nurse. As a rite of passage students come forward during the ceremony to be “cloaked” before family and friends in the iconic white coat that signifies their status as healthcare professionals. Students recite the Florence Nightingale Pledge to affirm their dedication to their calling. Students are presented with a pin from the Gold Foundation as a visual reminder to students that in order to deliver the best care to their patients, compassion and empathy must be the hallmark of their clinical practice.

Source: The Arnold P. Gold Foundation
Upcoming Events

May 1st thru June 9th - DSNA Children/Young Adult Book Drive

June 7th, 8th, & 9th, 9am - 4pm: ATI Live Review (Q8 Cohorts)

June 10th, 10:30am - 12:00pm- Spring '23 Honors & Pinning Ceremony

Save the Date: October 28, 2023
STTI Fall Service Event: Race for the Cure
Our chapter will have a team walking and Fundraising for the Komen Breast Cancer Foundation
On May 31, 2023 the Zeta Sigma chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing held its most recent induction ceremony. We had 17 students attend the ceremony and 3 faculty members. Our keynote speaker was recent MENP graduate and Sigma board member, SallyAnn Rose, who presented her research on Effects of Excessive Social Media Use on Health.

Front Row: L to Right:
Emily Isakson, Emily McGee, Clara Todd, Nichole Souphis, Vanessa Samson, Andrea Ochoa, Sandra Calderon, Melissa Morales-Montero, Dr. Michelle Neuman
Back Row: SallyAnn Rose, Amanda Dirnberger, Anushka Mundra, Paige Lindsay, Ella Mazurek, Corrine Chambers-Boucher, Jessica Bulgaelli, Shonestad Herrera, Alex di Mauro, Ariana

Corinna, Emily I, Emily M, and Anushka

SallyAnn Rose, MENP Graduate Winter ’23
DSNA News
DePaul Student Nurses Association

GOT BOOKS?

DSNA
Children/Young
Adult Book Drive

Pay it forward and donate a book for 1 point! Please submit proof to the QR code on the bottom of the flyer. Email depaul.dsna.vicepresident@gmail.com for any questions!

All donations will be to Lurie’s Children Hospital. The last day to donate books will be June 9th.
Health & Wellness

MENTAL HEALTH & SELF-CARE

Self-care and mental health are a priority when it comes to your success with the University. University counselors are available for support, crisis management, community referrals and consultation. To be contacted by a counselor, leave a message with University Counseling & Psychological Services at 773-325-7779.

In case of a life-threatening emergency please call Public Safety at 773-325-7777, 911 or the Advocate Illinois Masonic Behavioral Health Services Crisis Line at 773-296-5380.

New Safety App

Download a new emergency app: Students are encouraged to download a new phone app created by the Chicago Office of Emergency Management and Communications. This OEMC app includes a 'CHI Safe Walk' feature to use when traveling alone, allowing you to share your location with a friend or family member as you proceed to your destination. Other features include interactive city maps, access to current weather conditions, road closures, special events safety information, and emergency-management related services. (DePaul Public Safety does not monitor or maintain this app.) Download the app from online app stores. Search: Chicago OEMC App
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~American Nurses Association