

UNIVERSITY of
NORTHERN COLORADO



School of Nursing

Faculty Scholarly and Research Interests – 2011-2012

Name/Credential/Rank	Degrees/Certification	Areas of Scholarly and Research Interest	Areas of Clinical Interest and Expertise	Interests/Comments
<p>Audrey J. Bopp, RN, MSN, CNS Assistant Professor Graduate Lecturer Assistant Director of Undergraduate Nursing Programs & Clinical Placement Coordinator</p>	<p>BSN: Berea College MSN: University of Kentucky</p>	<p>Use of technology in nursing education: Student use; Faculty use Outcome evaluation</p>	<p>Medical Surgical Nursing Gerontological Nursing</p>	<p>Strategies for student success Criteria for admission to nursing programs Active learning strategies in the classroom</p>
<p>Lory Clukey RN, PhD, PsyD Associate Professor Doctoral Research Endorsement</p>	<p>BSN: University of Northern Colorado MSN: University of Washington PhD: Rush University PsyD: University of Northern Colorado</p>	<p>Qualitative Research Anticipatory Mourning Secondary trauma Caring behaviors of nurses: Trauma patients; families of trauma patients Anger Management and Health</p>	<p>Grief; psychology; trauma; combat PTSD</p>	<p>Trauma: loss; grief; health effects; anger management; chronic illness management.</p>
<p>Elizabeth Davis RN, MS, CEN, TNCC, ENP Assistant Professor</p>	<p>BS: Southern Illinois University AS: Community College of Denver BSN: Metropolitan State College of Denver MS: University of Colorado Health Sciences Center</p>	<p>Post-traumatic Stress in Nursing: impact upon nurses; recognition; solution/ interventions Simulation: value in education; creation of 'real experiences'; integration into didactic</p>	<p>Emergency Nursing Med/Surg Nursing</p>	<p>Multi-sensory learning PTS</p>
<p>Ann Davidson, RN, MA, CPNP Undergraduate Lecturer</p>	<p>BSN; University of Iowa MA: University of Iowa (Nursing of Children) Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Certificate: University of Colorado Post Graduate Certificate in Nursing Education: University of Northern Colorado</p>	<p>Facilitating Student Success Facilitation Caring Behaviors in Nursing Students Promoting Patient Education Health Promotion</p>	<p>Pediatric Nursing Pediatric Nurse Practitioner</p>	<p>Nursing Education Pediatric Health Promotion Patient Education</p>

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<p>Catherine Dingley RN, PhD, FNP Associate Professor Assistant Director National Institute for Nursing Education & Scholarship, Director</p>	<p>BSN: University of West Florida MSN/FNP: Midwestern State University, Texas PhD: University of Colorado Denver College of Nursing Post graduate certificate in Nursing Education: University of Northern Colorado</p>	<p>Inner Strength in Women: Middle Range Theory Development Patient Safety & Quality Nurse Sensitive Indicators / Patient Outcomes Healthcare systems / Organizational change / Process improvement</p>	<p>Family Practice / Primary Care Women's Health Evidence-based practice in acute care settings</p>	<p>Evidence-based Practice Best practices & outcomes of simulation in education Experience In public safety net care DNP Program</p>
<p>Kathleen Dunem, CNM, PhD Associate Professor Graduate Faculty</p>	<p>BSN: University of Northern Colorado MS: San Jose State University MS: University of Colorado Health Sciences PhD: University of Illinois at Chicago</p>	<p>Patient Safety & Quality Patient Sensitive Indicators/Patient Outcomes Healthcare systems/Organizational Change/Process Improvement</p>	<p>Certified Nurse Midwife Women's Health across the life span/primary care Executive Skills Evidence-based practice in acute care settings</p>	<p>Evidence-Based Practices Leadership learning processes DNP Program</p>
<p>Katrina Einhellig, RN, MSN, PhD-C Assistant Professor RN-BSN Program Coordinator</p>	<p>BSN: College of St. Benedict MSN: University of Northern Colorado</p>	<p>Nursing Education Pedagogy: Innovation in Online Education. Options for sexual education in teens and young adults; Teen sexual health and pregnancy</p>	<p>Labor & Delivery/ Postpartum Nursing Gerontology Med-Surg nursing PACU</p>	<p>Cystic Fibrosis Advising of on-line students</p>
<p>Priscilla Faulkner MS, MA, CNS, CDE Assistant Professor Graduate Lecturer Undergraduate Advisor Undergraduate Curriculum Chair</p>	<p>BS: (Nursing) University of North Dakota MA: University of Northern Colorado M.S., (Nursing) University of Northern Colorado Certificate: C.N.S. Certified Diabetes Educator</p>	<p>Diabetes Behavior change in patient education and teaching Alaska Native health practices. Public Health: Mentoring of nursing students in Public Health settings;</p>	<p>Diabetes Public Health Nursing Health Promotion Patient/Client Education</p>	<p>Program development and evaluation as well as behavior change strategies related to a wide range of public health issues.</p>
<p>Karen Gorton, RN, PhD, MS, Certificate Trans-cultural Nursing Graduate Lecturer Assistant Professor Foundations Coordinator</p>	<p>BS: Wheaton College (IL) MS: Indiana University BSN: Carroll College / Columbia College of Nursing MSN: University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee PhD: University of Northern Colorado</p>	<p>Critical thinking development in: Undergraduate nursing students; Nurse Practitioner students; practicing nurses Mentoring of: new faculty; students Simulation</p>	<p>Health Assessment Emergency Nursing Family Practice Nurse Practitioner Sports medicine Critical Care Nursing Informatics Healthcare Technology</p>	<p>Clinical decision making/clinical judgment/critical thinking in nursing students Keys to success in nursing students Nursing leadership Sports Medicine</p>

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<p>Janice S. Hayes, RN, PNP, PhD Professor Assistant Director of Graduate Nursing Programs Doctoral Research Endorsement</p>	<p>BSN: University of Evansville MSN: Indiana University PhD: Purdue University</p>	<p>Caring behaviors of nurses: Trauma patients; Families of trauma patients Faculty role in advising Evaluation Tools</p>	<p>Pediatric Nursing and Trauma</p>	<p>Caring behaviors Trauma Pediatric developmental disabilities</p>
<p>Melissa Henry RN, FNP-C, PhD Assistant Professor Doctoral Research Endorsement</p>	<p>BSN: University of Minnesota MSN/FNP: University of Arizona PhD: University of Arizona</p>	<p>Biologic and Physiologic research Collaborative and Interdisciplinary projects Stress: biomarkers; internal vs. external factors; self-report; Faculty; Student Diabetes/Obesity/Metabolism: biomarkers; human response/choices</p>	<p>Medical-Surgical Nursing Adolescent Health Issues Rural Health Primary Care/Family Practice Diabetes Care</p>	<p>Development of: Measures, models and methods are other key areas of interest.</p>
<p>Karen Hessler RN, MS, FNP, PhD Assistant Professor Graduate Faculty Maternal-Newborn Nursing Coordinator Graduate Curriculum Chair</p>	<p>BS: University of Nebraska Medical Center MSN/FNP: University of Nebraska Medical Center PhD: University of Colorado Health Sciences Center</p>	<p>Pediatric obesity in rural settings Technology in the classroom within Nursing education Pediatric obesity and NP's: detection; prevention; attitudes</p>	<p>Obstetrics, Gynecology & Family Practice Nurse Practitioner</p>	<p>Faculty growth and development in Nursing education Pediatric obesity Health and wellness promotion in pediatric population</p>
<p>Faye Hummel, RN, PhD, CTN Professor Doctoral Research Endorsement Public Health Nursing Coordinator Program Evaluation Chair</p>	<p>BSN: Metropolitan State College MSN: University of Colorado Health Sciences Center PhD: Colorado State University Certificate: Trans-cultural Nursing</p>	<p>Trans-cultural Nursing International Health Vulnerable/Underserved Populations Public Health Nursing</p>	<p>International nursing education and health care Vulnerable/Underserved populations Transcultural Nursing Public Health Policy</p>	<p>Impact of bias and racism on nursing education and health care delivery and outcomes Pedagogy for diverse students /international students Culture care of diverse and underserved populations</p>
<p>Katherine Johnson, MSN, RN, CPNP Assistant Professor Pediatric Nursing Coordinator</p>	<p>BSN: University of Missouri-Columbia MSN: University of Missouri-St. Louis Certificate: PNP</p>	<p>Breastfeeding: education Evidence based practice Integration of research into pediatric practice</p>	<p>Pediatric Primary Care Pediatric Nurse Practitioner</p>	<p>Diabetic management in pediatrics Evidence based primary pediatric care Health promotion / disease prevention in pediatric population</p>

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Kathleen LaSala, PhD, APRN, PNP-BC Professor and Director School of Nursing Doctoral Research Endorsed	BSN: Radford University MSN: University of Virginia PNP: University of Virginia PhD: George Mason University	Nursing Administration and leadership Public Policy Workforce Issues Mentorship in Nursing Smoking Cessation Pediatric Issues Interdisciplinary Studies	Pediatrics Administration Leadership Public Policy	Leadership development Nursing education Faculty development Partnerships/collaboration
Alison Merrill, RN, MSN, PhD Associate Professor Graduate Faculty Medical Surgical Nursing coordinator	BSN: University of Rhode Island BS, BA: University of Kansas MS in Nursing: University of Michigan PhD: Colorado State University	Higher order cognition: pedagogy; use of technology in the classroom ; High fidelity human patient simulation to develop cultural awareness and sensitivity in nursing students Patient perception of caring behaviors of nurses Inter-institutional & interdisciplinary longitudinal student stress study	Acute care of adults in Oncology, Hematology and Medical Surgical Nursing; Hospice Care; Critical Care	Functional MRI and learning Evolving Simulation case studies Best practices for classroom/clinical teaching Incorporation of technology into classroom
Sheila Postiglione, RN, MSN Assistant Professor Maternal-Newborn Nursing Coordinator	BSN: University of Minnesota MS: University of Northern Colorado	Simulation	Maternal-Newborn Nursing Pain Management	Nursing curriculum
Carol Roehrs, RN, PhD, CNE Associate Professor Graduate Faculty	BS: University of Colorado Health Sciences Center MSN: University of Colorado Health Sciences Center PhD: University of Colorado-Boulder	Professional socialization in nursing: Faculty role development, Faculty role perception; Unmet educational needs. Critical reflection and clinical judgment in education Simulation: Role in education; Effectiveness.	Nursing education Childbearing women and families Normal and high risk newborn	Professionalism in nursing Incorporating simulation into nursing curricula – student and faculty aspects Clinical topics related to OB
Deborah Rojas, RN, MS Assistant Professor LRC/ Simulation lab coordinator	BSN: University of Northern Colorado MSN: University of Northern Colorado	High fidelity human patient simulation in nursing education Strategies for the development of cultural competence in nursing students, including service learning and simulation.	Long term care/ rehabilitation Chronic disease management Medical surgical nursing	I am interested in developing more service learning opportunities for students. Integration and evaluation of learner centered teaching strategies for students Increased access to the simulation lab for students and faculty

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<p>MaryJo Stanley, MS, RN, CNS, Assistant Professor</p>	<p>BSN: San Jose State University MS: San Jose State University</p>	<p>Nursing education theory and concepts related to pedagogy. Educational paradigms and theory Best practices in education Competency in community/public health nursing and vulnerable/underserved populations</p>	<p>School Nursing Community/Public Health Nursing Vulnerable/ Underserved populations</p>	<p>Education strategies and pedagogical practices Service learning opportunities</p>
<p>Rhonda Squires, RN, PhD, FNP-BC Assistant Professor FNP/DNP Program Coordinator</p>	<p>BSN: University of North Carolina MSN: University of Colorado FNP Certificate: University of Colorado Health Sciences Center PhD: University of Northern Colorado</p>	<p>Population based interventions with a clinical focus Health promotion/Disease prevention Evidence Based clinical practice</p>	<p>FNP clinical practice Underserved/rural practice</p>	<p>Integration of evidence into clinical practice by NP's DNP Program</p>
<p>Laurie Walker, RN, MS, CNS Assistant Professor 2nd Degree Program Coordinator Psychiatric Nursing Coordinator</p>	<p>BSN: University of Wyoming MS: University of California San Francisco</p>	<p>Geriatric content focus within Nursing Education Managing Psychotropic Medication in the Elderly Pedagogy and student learning outcomes in the 2nd degree student</p>	<p>Health Promotion Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing US Health Care Systems</p>	<p>Student outcomes, knowledge and evaluation in the community based clinical setting</p>
<p>Vicki Wilson, RN, PhD Professor Doctoral Research Endorsement Project Director: Community Partnership Model to Enhance Advanced Practice Nursing Services to Underserved Populations (2/1/11 – 2/1/13)</p>	<p>BSN: University of North Dakota MSN: University of North Dakota PhD: University of North Dakota Certificates: Bryn Mawr Summer Institute for Women Administrators Indiana University, Fundraising School of Philanthropy</p>	<p>Adolescent Health: Obesity and lifestyle choices; Risk behaviors; Wellness as a lifestyle Leadership and Mentoring Nursing Student Stress Vulnerable and Underserved Populations</p>	<p>Health Promotion; Leadership & Administration, School Nursing Underserved/rural practice</p>	<p>Adolescent obesity and the relationship to diet and exercise Interdisciplinary collaboration Health of underserved populations Administration/leadership/mentoring</p>

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<p>Lynda Woodson, RN, MS, CNS Assistant Professor Graduate Lecturer</p>	<p>Diploma of Nursing, Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing BSN: University of Northern Colorado MS: University of Northern Colorado</p>	<p>Simulation: High fidelity Adult learning theories Fostering professional growth and development in nursing students via mentoring Creation of positive/non-threatening learning environments Collaborative learning</p>	<p>Home care Clinical skills development Patient/family education Oncology</p>	<p>Understanding personal values, beliefs, characteristics and qualities present in those who desire to be nurses</p>
<p>Yvonne Yousey, RN, PNP, PhD Associate Professor Doctoral Research Endorsement Clinical Nurse Leader Coordinator</p>	<p>BSN: Eastern Mennonite University PNP Certificate: Good Samaritan Hospital, Arizona MSN: University of Colorado, Denver PhD: University of Colorado, Denver</p>	<p>Vulnerable Populations: Children of ethnic minorities: Smoking habits and children. Homeless: Children and nutritional status; teaching interventions Special needs populations</p>	<p>Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Brain Injuries Public Health Nursing</p>	<p>Children as a vulnerable population; Prevention and Clinical interventions for Children.</p>