

FORGING THE FUTURE OF NURSING

Every day, nurses have a profound effect on the lives of thousands: They care for others from the first few moments of life and offer comfort and support at the end. Few professions offer the opportunity to make a difference in people's lives while having an array of career choices. At the WVU School of Nursing, we are committed to providing students with the skills and experiences they need to provide compassionate care to patients who need it.

The WVU School of Nursing leads the way in improving health in West Virginia and beyond through excellence in student-centered educational programs, research and scholarship, compassionate nursing practice and service to the public and the profession.

In today's growing healthcare environment, highly skilled nurses with a strong educational foundation are in great demand. We offer innovative academic programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels designed to meet student needs and the demands of an ever-changing industry. Our program encompasses four campuses across the state – in Beckley, Charleston, Keyser and Morgantown – where our students receive hands-on training from faculty who not only teach but also work to provide critical healthcare services for clinics, hospitals and nonprofit organizations. Nursing students are introduced to both urban and rural settings to develop unique skillsets, giving them a competitive edge in the profession.

Caring for our communities means being visible. Our nursing faculty and students participate in meaningful outreach and community service initiatives throughout West Virginia and beyond. Students and faculty are also engaged in clinically relevant research to better meet the needs of the state, nation and world. Together, the school's faculty, staff, students and alumni are changing lives in a modern, complex healthcare environment.

FUNDRAISING PRIORITIES

- Dean's Fund** – This non-endowed fund provides flexible support for the greatest needs within the WVU School of Nursing.
- Faculty Research & Development** – Interdisciplinary research and other professional development opportunities change lives by reducing health disparities and developing innovative approaches to improve patient care.
- Scholarships** – A healthcare education is increasingly expensive. Scholarships break down barriers to higher education among the next generation of nurses.

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ACHIEVEMENTS THANKS TO DONOR DOLLARS

Dean Tara M. Hulsey, Ph.D., established a first-of-its-kind scholarship to provide financial support for students in the fast-track BS/BA to BSN program, designed for college graduates interested in becoming a registered nurse.

A \$10,000 donation from Grant County (Md.) Bank added a patient care bed to a state-of-the-art skills lab and simulation facility at WVU Potomac State College. The lab allows nursing students to practice patient care in a variety of scenarios. The School's BSN program recently expanded to the PSC campus in Keyser.



TARA McCOMB HULSEY, Ph.D.

Vice President for Health Promotion and Wellness
Dean and E. Jane Martin Endowed Professor

"It is important that we build the nursing workforce in West Virginia. The state has many health challenges, and we can make the most difference and biggest impact through nursing. Our accelerated program allows students to achieve a nursing degree in 18 months, placing them into the workforce sooner."

DANIQUE BRYAN

BSN student

"The nursing program here at WVU is not only focused on providing the educational piece that one needs to be a good nurse. The program does an exceptional job with providing students the opportunity to be in the practical setting. Once you enter the program, that's where the opportunity starts with being in the hospital, and you get this for the remainder of time up until the day of graduation."



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STUDENT-FACULTY RATIO
FOR NURSING COURSES

\$11,736

ANNUAL TUITION AND FEES
COST FOR WV RESIDENTS

100

COMMUNITY-SERVICE HOURS
COMPLETED BY GRADUATES

\$28,080

ANNUAL TUITION AND FEES
COST FOR NON-WV RESIDENTS

98%

FIRST-TIME PASS RATE FOR
NCLEX-RN LICENSING EXAM

1,100

CLINICAL HOURS COMPLETED
BY UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS