Dear Colleagues,

Welcome to a new year at College of Nursing. We hope many of you have met our newest research faculty by now, featured on the 2nd floor bulletin board across from the elevator. Pam Stephenson has joined us this Fall from Wright State Miami Valley after earning her PhD here at KSU CON in 2011. Pam’s current line of research includes the areas of oncology, hospice, and palliative care. Yafen Wang also joins us this Fall from Case Western Reserve University. Her research interests lie in pediatric health.

Other new additions at CON include display boards for faculty research posters on Henderson’s 2nd Floor. We expect to add more as the year progresses and hope you will share your next research conference poster with us, to add to our rotating collection.

As College faculty research efforts reach publication, please help us update the bulletin board at the top of the 3rd floor stairs by sending your articles as e-files to the Center for Nursing Research, c/o mbenjam9@kent.edu.

Remember to contact us if you are planning to submit a grant proposal. We are here to assist you in that process.

Best wishes for a productive Fall Semester,

Mary K. Anthony, PhD, RN, CS
Associate Dean for Research

Engagement Series: Brown Bags.
First Mondays, Noon – 1 pm in Room 207, Henderson. We will be providing nursing contact hours for continuing education and thematic food pairings for most sessions this year.

A video version of Integrating Self-Care into Classroom and Clinical Settings is available at: https://www.coursesites.com/webapps/Bb-sites-course-creation-BBLEARN/pages/index.html This is available to KSU faculty on all campuses as well as clinical preceptors, alumni, and others.

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Faculty Notes

Ann Jacobson was recognized as KSU Scholar of the month in September. Learn more at https://www.kent.edu/news/announcements/success/ann-jacobson.cfm

Cathy Snelson was awarded “The Educator with the Nurse’s Touch” from ATI Nursing Education, based on her professional caring role-modeling with students and patients. Cathy was also selected (for the second year in a row) as Outstanding Faculty Member by the undergraduate nursing students on the Kent campus, recognized on May 10 at the Undergraduate Convocation.

Margaret (Peggy) O’Bryan Doheny, Professor Emeritus, of the Kent State University College of Nursing faculty for 35 years, will be inducted into the American Academy of Nursing on Oct. 19, in Washington, D.C. She joins over 2,000 national nurse leaders in the Academy.

New Grants Awarded


Vemeersch, P. (2013, April). Electronic Portfolios: Student course and program evaluation project. Program Level Assessment Grant. KSU Provost Award.

Student Notes

Lisa King, CNS graduate and KSU faculty, Ashtabula campus, was awarded the Nan Hilt Writer’s Award by Orthopaedic Nursing journal for her publication, Developing a Progressive Mobility Activity Protocol.

Laura Manns-James, PhD Candidate, was accepted as a participant to the Summer 2013 RWJF Workshop on Race and Health Disparities hosted by the Inter-University consortium for Political and Social Research at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

News You Can Use


The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health has developed an interactive on-line violence prevention course for nurses and direct-care healthcare professionals, available on the NIOSH website at http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/violence/training_nurses.html

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Recent Publications by CON Faculty


Most Recent Presentations by CON Faculty


Sedlak, C., Doheny, M. O., Saunders, T., Alharbi, H., & Dallyk, A. (2013, April). The culture of self-Care in an online learning environment by nurse educator graduate students [Poster]. Kent State University 28th Annual Graduate Research Symposium, Kent, OH.


Ross, R. (2013, April). Global health research [Keynote]. Sigma Theta Tau, Delta Xi Induction. Kent State University, Kent, OH.

Ross, R. (2013, June). Mixed methods research methodology: Qualitative research methodology; Quantitative research methodology; and Global trends in nursing research [Lectures for graduate nursing students]. Saku University, Nagano, Japan, June 13.
