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## DEAR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS,

The upcoming academic year is sure to be an exceptional one as we celebrate the opening of the new School of Nursing building and the 125th anniversary of our school. This year will be memorable for me also as it marks my tenth and final year as dean. Ten years is the span of time regularly afforded deans at Michigan, creating opportunities to look ahead with positive energy.

A very visible sign of our future-focused mission is UMSN's beautiful, high-tech new building. On September 18, we will celebrate the grand opening with special events for our students, alumni, faculty, staff, and friends. Construction began in 2013, but efforts for improved facilities have gone on much longer. It will be a commemorative moment when UMSN occupies a new building for the first time in our history.

That history will be celebrated throughout the year in special events. In the spring we will hold the capstone "UMSN Celebrates 125 Years of Global Impact." Mark your calendars for April 5-7 for events including a symposium, gala, and research day. We will be inviting alumni, friends and partners from around the world to Ann Arbor. Our emphasis in global health spans many decades and is now fully recognized with the Office of Global Affairs under the direction of Associate Dean Dr. Jody Lori. This year we also seek re-designation of our WHO Collaborating Center, which we have had since 1997.

We have taken steps to ensure UMSN is well positioned to continue educating and inspiring the next generation of nursing leaders. Our structure has transitioned from three divisions to two departments that will lead the scientific, curricular and practice efforts of faculty. The two departments are: Health Behavior and Biological Sciences, focused on the health of individuals and families including primary care, acute care, and long-term care – with a major emphasis

on health promotion, behavior and health outcomes regardless of setting; and Systems, Populations and Leadership focused on research and education in health services, leadership, management, informatics and models of care delivery.

We are also very proud of our emerging emphasis on health science analytics that expands our capacity for understanding complex problems and needs of populations through innovative models of statistical and methodological analyses. Our health science analytics faculty offer graduate statistical courses to support our doctoral programs, contribute to advancing our external funding of research applications, develop independent research proposals, contribute to campus wide "big data" analytics, and attract and support visiting scientists. Our capacity for complex analytics supported the recent launch of an NIH-funded Center for Complexity and Self-Management of Chronic Disease.

I am very pleased about all we have accomplished together and know that the school is at an excellent moment to recruit an outstanding new dean. We are positioned with unparalleled research activity that promises to escalate, a strong cadre of faculty, clinical education programs with excellent student outcomes, a major focus on active/engaged learning, and innovative changes in doctoral programs. Applicant quality and interest are at an all-time high.

While Michigan is the third school for which I have been honored to have been dean, Michigan is truly the place I will hold as the pinnacle of my career. I will remain at UMSN as faculty to continue my scholarly work after a much anticipated year of leave. But there is much to be done going forward to maintain our momentum, and in the U-M tradition I will be an active and engaged dean until June 30, 2016.

Kathleen Potempa  
Dean

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### DEAN'S SEARCH COMMITTEE

U-M Provost Martha Pollack named an advisory committee to search for a new dean of the School of Nursing. The committee has been charged with presenting a slate of recommended candidates by December 31, 2015. Committee members:

**Hassan Abbas** BSN '17  
**Cynthia Arslanian-Engoren**, PhD '99, RN, ACNS-BC, FAHA, FAAN; UMSN Associate Professor, Director of Faculty Affairs and Faculty Development  
**Jane Barnsteiner**, PhD '84, FAAN; Faculty Emerita, University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing  
**Debra Barton**, RN, PhD, AOCN, FAAN; UMSN Mary Lou Willard French Professor of Nursing  
**Margaret Calarco**, PhD '92, RN; Chief Nursing Officer, U-M Health System  
**James Dalton**, PhD; Dean, U-M School of Pharmacy  
**Christopher R. Friese**, PhD, RN, AOCN, FAAN; UMSN Assistant Professor  
**Bonnie Hagerty**, PhD '89, RN; UMSN Associate Dean, Office of Undergraduate Studies  
**Lori Pierce**, MD; Professor, U-M Radiation Oncology  
**Stephen Strobbe**, MS '98, PhD '09, RN, PMHCNS-BC, CARN-AP; UMSN Clinical Associate Professor and Specialty Lead, Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing  
**Colleen Zimmerman**, UMSN Executive Director of Development and External Relations  
**Carol Boyd**, Chair, PhD, RN, FAAN; UMSN Deborah J. Oakley Collegiate Professor

To recommend candidates or ask questions of the committee chair, send an email to [son-dsac-chair@umich.edu](mailto:son-dsac-chair@umich.edu).

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# UMSN Alumna Empowers Nurses to Help Patients Affected by Extreme Heat

ALUMNI



VALERIE TRAN (LEFT) AND ANGELA WAN (RIGHT)

"I was inspired during my community health nursing rotation," says University of Michigan School of Nursing alumna Angela Wan (BSN, '13). "I wanted to do more with home-client visits because the home environment is such a big aspect of your well-being."

Wan, now a graduate student at U-M's School of Public Health (SPH) and School of Natural Resources and Environment (SNRE), found her interests in health and the environment connected with those of fellow SPH graduate student Valerie Tran. "I was really interested in disparities in heat-related illness," says Tran. "Residential settings, social vulnerabilities, and the environment all play into how susceptible you are to heat-related illness."

Tran and Wan developed Nurses for Cool and Healthy Homes (NCHH) to train nurses who conduct home care visits to include an assessment of clients' homes. They partnered with California's Fresno County Department of Public Health (FCDPH) to launch the program. The nurses evaluate client vulnerability to extreme heat, share passive cooling strategies and connect residents with resources such as home energy improvements and utility assistance.

"A lot of nurses see the health impacts on a day-to-day basis, but they're not necessarily attributing them to climate change," says Tran, who doesn't want NCHH's efforts to be tied up in the discussion about whether or not climate change is real. "We know extreme heat happens and nurses are seeing clients in sweltering hot homes. As long as you're addressing the extreme heat and making those connections, that's what's most important to us."

"The health impacts have been an understated part of the climate change discussion," says Wan. "With three million nurses in the country, to get them to understand that they can speak on climate through a health lens is really powerful."

"We anticipated the nurses would think this is just an extra piece of work in their very busy home visit," says Wan. "But, we had top-level leadership from FCDPH to say 'We are part of an innovative program that shows nurses can do more to use their clinical judgment in other ways that are valuable to our clients.'"

Wan and Tran are optimistic that more health departments, community agencies, and hospitals will be interested in NCHH. "NCHH is a very low-cost program because the nurses are already going to these homes for other programs and they have an ongoing relationship with the residents," says Wan. "Preventive measures can decrease emergency room visits and lower hospital operating costs from heat-related admissions. The entire health care industry has a lot to gain from understanding the environment that we live in, not just the physical surroundings but the resources we use to operate."

## CLASS NOTES

**Sara Rothschild** (BSN '65) and her husband Robert are making progress on a goal of building 20 libraries in rural villages in Botswana. Thirteen libraries are now operating as part of the Botswana National Library Service. Their efforts are part of the Robert and Sara Rothschild Family Foundation. Rothschild also met with alumna Dr. Nthabi Phaladze (MS '95, PhD '99) from the University of Botswana School of Nursing. Dr. Phaladze's students and UMSN community health nursing students participated in joint videoconferencing during the Winter 2015 term.

**MaryAnne Pietraniec Shannon** (BSN '75) is volunteering in Malawi for one year through a Peace Corps Global Health Response Partnership Program. She and 15 other volunteer physicians and nurses are working as clinical educators to train medical personnel with the hope that graduates will remain in their home country.

**Brigadier General Carol Ann Fausone** (BSN '75) and **Andra Rush** (BSN '82) were selected for Career Mastered: Women's Leadership in Action Awards. Thirty-five of the highest-achieving female business leaders in Southeast Michigan were honored as part of the 35th anniversary of Women's History Month. The event was sponsored by Linwick & Associates.

**Andreea (Toader) Meier** (BSN '09, MSN '11, DNP '13) has been named dean of the College of Nursing at Charleston Southern University (CSU). Dr. Meier was a member of UMSN's first Doctorate of Nursing Practice (DNP) cohort.

**Victoriya Senkiv** (MS '15) was selected for a prestigious Mayo Clinic Cardiology Nurse Practitioner Fellowship. Only two candidates are selected each year. Fellows participate in a 12-month program that includes classroom and clinical time, with mentoring in all aspects of adult cardiovascular disease management.

**Dan Ochylski** (DNP '15) was selected as a technical expert panel (TEP) member for Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. His TEP panel will focus on the development, implementation, and maintenance of quality measures for the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly.



We want to hear about all the achievements of our alumni. If you have news to share, please email [nursingalum@umich.edu](mailto:nursingalum@umich.edu).





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# 2014 Reunion Rewind

## 2015 Alumni Reunion Weekend

THURSDAY, OCT. 8 - SUNDAY, OCT. 11

We hope you'll join us for U-M's 2015 Homecoming weekend! Activities include an all-class luncheon, tours of the new School of Nursing building, Go Blue Homecoming Tailgate and the Michigan vs. Northwestern football game. Plus, there will be special events for Milestone Reunions for the classes of 1955, 1965, 1975, 1985, 1995, and 2005. Registration opens in early July. If you have any questions, please email the Alumni and Development Office at [nursingalum@umich.edu](mailto:nursingalum@umich.edu), or call (734) 763-9710.

# UMSN Nurse Practitioner Students Join Efforts to Help Human Trafficking Victims

GLOBAL

**Students traveled to Ethiopia for on-the-ground planning of a comprehensive clinic.**

“It’s our hope that this clinic will make a difference in the lives of human trafficking victims,” says Anna Kern, a UMSN nurse practitioner student. “Right now, many victims end up exactly where they started because there isn’t a comprehensive model in place to help them move to the next phase. They need support with health care, school, reestablishing relationships with family, ongoing mental support services, and job integration.”

Kern and Dana Beck, both students in UMSN’s Primary Care Family Nurse Practitioner master’s program, have joined the U-M Law School’s efforts to start a clinic for human trafficking victims in Ethiopia. The project will model after successful clinics currently operating in Ann Arbor and Mexico. This spring, Kern and Beck traveled with two law students and five Ross School of Business students to Addis Ababa University in Ethiopia for groundwork.

“It was really a fact-finding trip,” says Beck, who is a graduate of UMSN’s Second Career Program. “We needed to see what resources they already have and how they are currently managing the issue.”

“It’s really important to have the Ethiopians involved from the beginning to make sure what we’re doing is culturally appropriate and sustainable,” says Kern. “I think there will be a continuous partnership, but

they will be the ones actually providing care in the long run, and that’s a good thing.”

Kern and Beck say they see great value in nurses being part of the interdisciplinary team. “Nursing brings a holistic angle,” says Beck. “We have a good understanding of the potential psychological and physical manifestations of trauma, both acute and chronic.” Kern and Beck say the law, business, and nursing students had different viewpoints at times but found in-depth discussions to be extremely valuable.

Both Beck and Kern plan to do independent studies focused on the clinic. “It will include research and writing related to the comprehensive situational analysis for the Triple R (Recognize, Respond, and Reintegrate) project,” says Beck. “I will also be researching mental health resources in Addis as well as strategies and models that have been used in similar contexts. This directly relates to the Primary Care Family Nurse Practitioner program as it is all research related to health promotion and risk reduction in resource-poor settings.”

“It’s really rare to be among the first people who are lifting the project up and getting it started,” says Kern. “Opportunities like this are a large reason why I picked the University of Michigan. It’s a chance to be a part of something bigger than you.”

## GLOBAL AMBASSADORS



UMSN welcomed more than 30 faculty members and PhD students from five international universities for the Global Ambassadors PhD Summer Research Institute. The week-long program included seminars, workshops and presentations on some of the most pressing issues in health care, such as chronic disease management, outcomes effectiveness research, health informatics and maternal health. Guest speakers included Professor Emerita **Nola Pender**, pictured third from left, who developed the Health Promotion Model that is used internationally in research, education and practice.

## PARTICIPATING UNIVERSITIES:

- Academie Verloskunde Maastricht (Netherlands)
- Autonomous University of Nuevo Leon (Mexico)
- Chiang Mai University (Thailand)
- Mahidol University- Ramathibodi Hospital School of Nursing (Thailand)
- University of São Paulo- Ribeirão Preto College of Nursing (Brazil)

The program was funded by a U-M Rackham graduate school grant.

## SPANISH LANGUAGE PATIENT CARE VIDEOS AVAILABLE ON OPEN.MICHIGAN

UMSN created a series of videos featuring Spanish-speaking patients in a variety of clinical settings. The videos were filmed with Spanish-speaking actors and UMSN students. They are available for free on Open.Michigan, an initiative that maximizes resources and research through open sharing. The eight videos address topics such as emergency scenarios, medication management, and end-of-life care. Videos include versions with English subtitles. To learn more, go to [open.umich.edu](https://open.umich.edu).



## STUDENTS



## UMSN Students Part of Innovative Course Simulating Real-World Collaboration

“Our practice and research are interdisciplinary--but our education has not been.” That message was one of the first presented in a new interprofessional education (IPE) course that includes about 250 students from U-M schools of nursing, dentistry, medicine, pharmacy and social work. Students rotate through modules taught by interdisciplinary pairs of faculty at each of the schools. The interprofessional course is the first of its kind at U-M and one of only a handful across the country.

The course is designed to help health professional students gain an understanding of how each discipline contributes to the health care team, the

importance of effective communication, and the role of team collaboration in clinical decision making.

This course is the beginning of a broader movement on campus to transform the way U-M health professions students are educated. A second interdisciplinary course, Service Learning for Health Professionals, assesses issues of health disparities and the medically underserved and includes 20 hours of service at a health center or community agency.

The IPE effort was awarded a U-M Transforming Learning for a Third Century (TLTC) grant to support expanded programs. The TLTC grant will be utilized (and matched) over five years by seven U-M health science schools: the School of Nursing, College of Pharmacy, Medical School, School of Dentistry, School of Kinesiology, School of Public Health, and School of Social Work.



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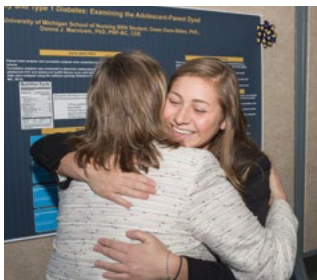
**GOAL** —  
\$28 MILLION

**RAISED** —  
\$13.37 MILLION



## CAMPAIGN UPDATE

UMSN is nearly halfway to its fundraising goal of the Victors for Michigan, Champions for All campaign. School priorities are to provide student support, increase global engagement and invest in faculty and research. Our supporters are making the world a healthier place for all.



## STUDENT ACCOLADES

Undergraduate students **Katie Finn and Lucia Michelazzo Ceroni** received Wallenberg Summer Travel Fellowships. The award honors Raoul Wallenberg, a U-M alumnus credited with saving thousands of lives during the Holocaust. Finn, also a UMSN Hillman Scholar, will travel to Uganda to study cognitive impairment in children who had malaria. Ceroni will conduct health care workshops for underserved youths in Argentina.

**Miyeon Jung** was selected for a Rackham Summer Award, to work on a research project in collaboration with faculty during the Spring/Summer 2015 term. Jung's research aims to improve attention function and mood in heart failure patients using a theory-based natural restorative environment intervention.

**Savana Tello**, a student in UMSN's Health Systems, Nursing Leadership, and Effectiveness Science master's program was selected as a Global Health Fellow in the 2015 Duke University Program on Global Policy and Governance.

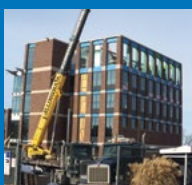
PhD student **Rattima Sirihorachai** received a prestigious U-M Barbour Scholarship. Sirhorachai's research interest in developing effective care strategies to reduce distractions and interruptions in acute and primary care settings.

Master's students **Kimberly Cook and Jennifer Smith-Grady** won first place in the Midwest Nursing Research Society's student poster contest for "Behavioral Therapy as a Primary Treatment for Postpartum Depression: A Review of the Literature."

PhD candidate **Celeste Schultz** received the 2015 Research Poster Award at the Annual Conference of the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners for her poster "Giving Children a Voice: Exploring Preschool-Age Children's Beliefs about Eating."

**Jeremy Lapham**, a PhD candidate, has been appointed as a member of the student advisory board for the U-M Office of Digital Education & Innovation.

**Ann Annis** received the New Investigator Award from AcademyHealth's Interdisciplinary Research Group on Nursing Issues. The award recognizes the best submission by an investigator who is less than five years post-doctorate.



## THE NEW SCHOOL OF NURSING BUILDING

Naming opportunities support our new building as well as programs, scholarships, and faculty research within UMSN. Named spaces in the new building range from \$25,000 to \$5,000,000.



SAVE THE DATE

## GRAND OPENING

Ribbon Cutting  
11 am - Noon (open to public)

New Building Open House  
Noon - 2:00 pm (open to public)

Alumni and Donor Celebration  
6:30 - 9:00 pm (registration required)

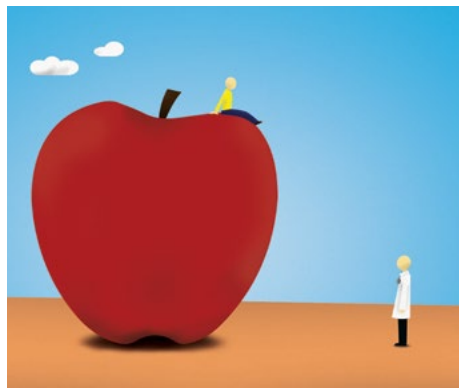
## RESEARCH



### HEALTH PROMOTION

Efforts to increase neighborhood walking in older adults may need to be tailored differently for men and women according to new findings from Clinical Assistant Professor **Nancy Ambrose Gallagher**, PhD, APRN-BC, and colleagues. Neighborhood walking can be a significant component of physical activity for older adults, but little is known about factors that may create differences in men and women. Using a sample of more than 300 adults over age 60, the researchers found women were more likely to walk if they had a destination such as a friend's home. Men were more influenced by the characteristics of the neighborhood, such as sidewalks and crime rates.

An apple a day may not keep the doctor away, but it might do the trick for pharmacists. After using models to account



for other healthy habits, Assistant Professor **Matthew Davis**, PhD, MPH, and his research team found that people who eat an apple a day were not more successful in avoiding doctor visits compared to people who don't eat apples. However, they did find that 48 percent of people who eat an apple a day were able to avoid the pharmacist compared to only 42% of non-apple eaters. This study came about as a sideline to another project, where the researchers developed a technique to look at exposure to toxic chemicals from different types of food.

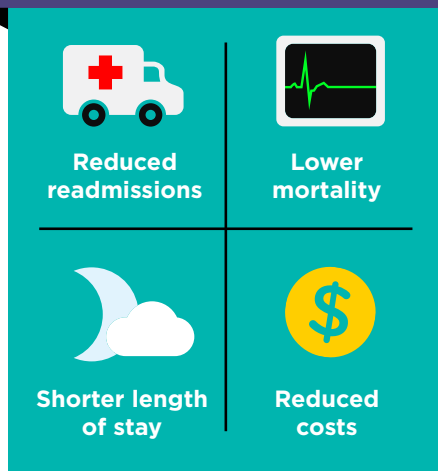
### NURSING CARE

The Magnet Recognition Program, which serves as a means of recognition for health care organizations with high-quality patient care and nursing excellence, does successfully identify high-performing hospitals according to Assistant Professor **Christopher R. Friese**, PhD, RN, and colleagues. However, they also found that Magnet hospitals did not improve after they received the designation. The findings appear in the June issue of *Health Affairs*.

Patients who receive the majority of their care from nurses with baccalaureate educations have significantly lower odds of readmission than patients treated by nurses without degrees, according to research from Associate Professor **Olga Yakusheva**, PhD, and colleagues. Dr. Yakusheva says the findings show that in addition to



## Results of More BSNs



better outcomes, there are financial incentives for hospital administrators to invest in nurse education. The research also supports the Institute of Medicine's goal of having at least 80% of the nursing workforce hold bachelor's degrees.

New findings by Assistant Professor **Deena Kelly Costa**, PhD, RN, highlight the benefit of nurse practitioner (NP) and physician assistant (PA) care in intensive care units (ICUs). Dr. Costa and colleagues examined the association between NP/PA staffing and in-hospital mortality for ICU patients. They found consistent results supporting that NPs/PAs appear to be a safe adjunct to the ICU team and care of critically ill patients.

English competency exams may be inadequate, according to new findings from Associate Professor **Barbara Brush**, PhD, ANP-BC, FAAN, UMSN's Carol J. and F. Edward Lake Term Clinical Professor. Dr. Brush and colleagues found that accents may present difficulty even when the parties involved are speaking

the same language. About 15% of the nurses said their English proficiency or accent created problems with patients, family members and/or colleagues. One of the more significant results found that communication problems were about the same for nurses born and educated in another country compared to those born abroad but educated in the United States.

## EDUCATION

A UMSN task force is bringing attention to the contributions, and ways to quantify those contributions, from nursing clinical track faculty. "Scholarly Productivity for Nursing Clinical Track Faculty" is published in *Nursing Outlook*, the official journal of the American Academy of Nursing. The UMSN researchers note how the role and offerings of clinical track faculty have expanded, including in diversity of scholarly products. The results are intended to guide faculty, reviewers and decision makers about scholarly productivity. Authors: **Dana Tschannen**, PhD, RN, **Christine Anderson**, PhD, RN, **Stephen Strobbe**, PhD, RN, PMHCNS-BC, CARN-AP, **Esther Bay**, PhD, ACN BC, **April Bigelow**, PhD, ANP-BC, **Chin Hwa (Gina) Y. Dahlem**, PhD, FNP-C, **Ann K. Gosselin**, MS, RN, CEN, CPEN, **Jennifer Pollard**, M.Ed, B.A, **Julia S. Seng**, PhD, CNM, FAAN.

## ADOLESCENTS

Reasons for peer violence and the association between substance youth and violence were examined by UMSN Associate Professor **Sarah Stoddard**, PhD, and

colleagues. They found variations in victimization and aggression in substance abuse (alcohol and cocaine) as well as gender differences in reasons for violence. The findings also show a "positive within day" association between aggression and use of alcohol, opiates, and sedatives, but no within day association between aggression and marijuana use. The researchers believe their findings suggest prevention strategies for youth should include tailored peer violence interventions to address unique reasons for violence among males and females, and the use of alcohol and other substances before and after violence incidents.



Teens prescribed medications such as sleep and anxiety drugs are more likely to abuse them later, according to findings from **Carol Boyd**, PhD, RN, FAAN, UMSN's Deborah J. Oakley Professor of Nursing, and colleagues. They discovered that teens prescribed certain medications are up to 12 times more likely to abuse those drugs than teens that never had a prescription.

# RECENT FUNDING

**UMSN's commitment to high-impact scientific discovery is evidenced by another strong year of research support and funding. In the 2014-2015 fiscal year, UMSN received nearly \$7.7 million in allocations for research and training. Major federal agencies such as the National Institutes of Health, as well as foundations and other sources, provide a broad portfolio to sustain and build UMSN's interdisciplinary research resources for faculty and students.**

Associate **Professor Marjorie McCullagh**, PhD, RN, PHCNS-BC, COHN-S, FAAN, who was recently inducted as a fellow in the American Association of Occupational Health Nurses, will continue her efforts to protect the hearing of farmers with a new RO1 grant funded by the National Institutes of Health's National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders. While Dr. McCullagh has dedicated her career to improving the health of occupational workers, this is her first time focusing on farm youth. She and colleagues believe there are not enough programs to educate youths about hearing loss, and the ones that exist have not been studied enough to understand what methods are most effective.

Assistant Professor **Ellen Lavoie Smith**, PhD, APN-BC, AOCN®, received an R03 grant from the National Cancer Institute. Dr. Smith will evaluate a 20-item quality of life questionnaire for its reliability, validity, sensitivity, and responsiveness to change. The questionnaire measures how chemotherapy-induced peripheral neuropathy (CIPN) influences quality of life. CIPN can feel like intense numbness, tingling, and pain in the hands and feet, and is commonly a reason why cancer patients stop treatment early. The long-term goal of this research is to identify a superior outcome measure that will aid in the future discovery of effective CIPN treatments.

Two UMSN clinical faculty members were awarded Faculty Seed Grants from U-M's Institute for Research on Women and Gender. Clinical Associate Professor **Ruth Zielinski**, PhD, CNM, FACNM, will be funded for "Implementation and Evaluation of Home-Based Life-Saving Skills," to improve maternal mortality rates in South Sudan through a community-based program. Clinical Associate Professor **Sue Anne Bell**, PhD, FNP-BC, will conduct a policy analysis of U.S. emergency preparedness and response planning activities using a gender mainstreaming approach. This includes assessing the impact of any planned action for its implications on both men and women, including legislation, policies and programs.

## SCHOOL RANKINGS

UMSN's position as a top graduate school was further solidified in the most recent evaluation from *U.S. News & World Report*. UMSN maintained its #6 ranking and earned high placements among master's specialty programs:

**6<sup>th</sup>**  
**OVERALL**

<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Nursing Administration</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Adult/Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Family Nurse Practitioner</b>
<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Pediatric Primary Care Nurse Practitioner</b>
<b>10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Adult/Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner</b>
<b>10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Nurse Midwifery</b>

For the first time, *U.S. News & World Report* asked for statistical data on graduate nursing programs, in addition to peer assessment reputation surveys. The information was collected from more than 500 accredited graduate programs in nursing. The organization plans to rank graduate nursing programs annually with this new methodology.

## FACULTY ACCOLADES

**Lisa Kane Low**, PhD, CNM, FACNM, FAAN, is President-Elect of American College of Nurse-Midwives (ACNM).

**Patricia Abbott**, PhD, RN, FAAN, FACMI, was honored as one of the University of Maryland School of Nursing's (UMSON) inaugural Visionary Pioneers. UMSON selected 25 alumni who represent significant contributions to nursing through leadership, innovation and entrepreneurship. Dr. Abbott was recognized for her international leadership in informatics.



**Patricia Coleman-Burns**, PhD, MA, was honored with the U-M Center for Educational Outreach (CEO)

Partner Appreciation Award. CEO selected Dr. Coleman-Burns for her "ongoing outreach work and her partnership across the university and in the community."

Professor **Emerita Carolyn Sampselle**, PhD, ANP, FAAN, received the Midwest Nursing Research Society's (MNRS) Lifetime Achievement Award during the MNRS annual conference in Indianapolis.

**Christopher R. Friese**, PhD, RN, AOCN®, FAAN, received the Oncology Nursing Society (ONS) 2015 Rose Mary Carroll-Johnson Distinguished Award for Consistent Contribution to the Nursing Literature.

**Ellen Lavoie Smith**, PhD, APN-BC, AOCN® received the ONS Excellence in Writing Award for Quantitative Nursing Research.

**Michelle Pardee**, DNP, FNP-BC, has been elected to the Michigan Primary Care Consortium's Board of Directors.

**Esther H. Bay**, PhD, ACNS-BC, is the recipient of the 2015 Christina Stewart-Amidei Writing Excellence Award for the article "Chronic Morbidities after Traumatic Brain Injury: An Update for the Advanced Practice Nurse." It was co-written by UMSN Honors student Kattlynn Chartier.

**Debra L. Barton**, RN, PhD, AOCN, FAAN, Mary Lou Willard French Professor of Nursing, has been selected for a prestigious co-chair position with the National Cancer Institute (NCI). The Symptom Management and Health-related Quality of Life Steering Committee is dedicated to identifying and promoting the best science in symptom management and quality of life research from NCI cooperative groups.

**Stephen Strobbe**, PhD, RN, PMHCNS-BC, CARN-AP, was the recipient of the 2015 Golden Apple Award and Lecture. It is the only student-selected teaching award on campus. Dr. Strobbe delivered his lecture "Lessons from an Imperfect Life: A Premature Last Lecture" before a full house at Rackham Auditorium. You can watch the lecture at [nursing.umich.edu/goldenapple](http://nursing.umich.edu/goldenapple). In addition, Dr. Strobbe has been selected as the president-elect of the International Nurses Society on Addictions (IntNSA).

## LEADERSHIP

**Jody Lori**, PhD, CNM, FACNM, FAAN, has been appointed UMSN's Associate Dean for Global Affairs. Dr. Lori maintains an active program of research focused on global health with an emphasis on maternal health and community-based interventions. Her fieldwork is primarily in Sub-Saharan African countries such as Ghana, Ethiopia, and Liberia but also includes Latin America. Dr. Lori encourages student interest in global

health though the courses she teaches, including two that she helped develop, and has created opportunities for students to participate in international field work. Dr. Lori also serves as director for UMSN's World Health Organization (WHO)/Pan-American Health Organization (PAHO) Collaborating Center.

## RETIREMENTS

- Professor Richard Redman
- Associate Professor Susan Clemen-Stone

## MEMORIAL

- Associate Professor Emerita Marguerite Babaian Harms

## New Clinical Scholars Postdoctoral Program

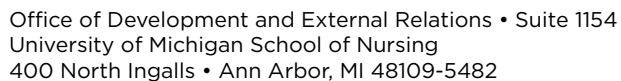
U-M and three other top universities (Penn, Yale, and UCLA) are creating new leadership opportunities for early-career nurses and doctors. The Clinical Scholars Program (CSP) is designed to advance research and health care through team-based approaches with value on the expertise brought by both disciplines.

CSP fills the gap left after the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) announced the end of its clinical scholars program. This new program expands on the RWJF program by including nurse scientists.

The U-M site will be based at the Institute for Healthcare Policy and Innovation (IHPI). Regular admission deadline is Sept. 1, 2015. Applicants must have already earned doctoral degrees.

**Learn more: [nationalcsp.org](http://nationalcsp.org).**





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New School of Nursing  
Building Grand Opening  
Friday, September 18

Nursing Emeritus and  
All-Class Luncheon  
Friday, October 9

Open House and Tours of  
the New School of Nursing  
Academic Building

Go Blue Homecoming Tailgate  
Saturday, October 10

## Michigan vs. Northwestern Football Game

UMSN Dessert Reception at  
American Academy of Nursing  
Conference  
Friday, October 16  
Grand Hyatt Washington

Dean's Research Day 2016  
Tuesday, April 5

Conference on Innovation and  
Research in Global Health  
Wednesday, April 6 to  
Thursday, April 7

Gala Dinner at New School  
of Nursing Building  
Wednesday April 6

Michael J. Behm, Grand Blanc • Mark J. Bernstein, Ann Arbor • Laurence B. Deitch, Bloomfield Hills • Shauna Ryder Diggs, Grosse Pointe • Denise Ilitch, Bingham Farms • Andrea Fischer Newman, Ann Arbor • Andrew C. Richner, Grosse Pointe Park • Katherine E. White, Ann Arbor • Mark S. Schlissel, ex officio

