



## Marshall University BSN Newsletter Fall 2023 Edition

### Spring 2024

**Advance Registration for the Spring  
2024 Semester is November 20th** (open to  
admitted and readmitted Students).

### Assessment Day

Watch for emails from university as well as  
Blackboard for site news

### Advance Priority Registration

**Advanced Priority Registration for Spring  
2024 Semester is November 2nd & 3rd**

This is a special registration for currently enrolled  
freshman and sophomore nursing students. It is  
necessary that students take advantage of this in  
order to get into required science courses!

Registration for Currently Enrolled Students for  
Spring 2024 is November 6th through November  
17th (not to be confused with advanced priority registration)

### HESI Schedule Spring 2024 Marshall University School of Nursing

HESI Exam	Dates for both Huntington & MOVC	Huntington & MOVC Time Schedule	Huntington & MOVC Campus
MATERNITY NUR 321	NOVEMBER 27th	9:00 AM	REGULAR CLASSROOM
PSYCH NUR 322	NOVEMBER 14th	9:00 AM	REGULAR CLASSROOM
PEDS NUR 408	NOVEMBER 28th	4:00 PM	REGULAR CLASSROOM
PHARMACOLOGY NUR414	NOVEMBER 6th	1:00 PM	REGULAR CLASSROOM
MED SURG NUR 414	NOVEMBER 27th	1:00 PM	REGULAR CLASSROOM
MED SURG NUR 411	NOVEMBER 30th	1:00 PM	REGULAR CLASSROOM

## Guidelines for Pre-Licensure Registration

1. Student must meet with their academic advisor. Faculty advisors (including MOVC) will post extra office hours before registration. It is the student's responsibility to make and keep their appointment. RN to BSN students may contact their advisor via phone or email.
2. Your advisor will have your clinical schedule for Spring 2024. Write down your section and CRN numbers of the clinical nursing courses that your advisor gives you. Your advisor may also send an email after you meet which includes that information.
3. Check to see if you have any holds on your account. Those must be resolved before you can register
4. Registration schedule:  
Priority registration current SON freshmen and sophomores, student athletes, honors college, ROTC and student support services students. November 2 & 3 after 7am.  
Seniors: November 6 after 7am  
Juniors: November 7 & 8 after 7am

## Spring 2024 Clinical Rotations

If you are a currently enrolled freshman, sophomore or junior nursing student who requires special scheduling by accommodations, you must notify Dr. Welch by email to [welchs@marshall.edu](mailto:welchs@marshall.edu) by **October 13, 2023**. In order to qualify, you must meet at least one of the following criteria: full time athlete on scholarship for the university (includes cheerleading), employed full-time by a single employer, have a HELP Center accommodation or military/ROTC commitment. Student athletes must have their coaches verify their status as athletes and provide a practice and competition schedule by email. Employers must verify full-time employment status on company letterhead stationery or official company email. Commanding officers must send an official email, letter or fax to 304-696-6739.



## Notice of policy and uniform changes:

**Policy change:** The following phrase was removed from page 16, paragraph 6 lines 2 & 3 from the pre-licensure BSN handbook.

*“The student must also drop any co-requisite classes at that time”*

**Uniform Changes:** The student affairs Committee presented the Faculty with a proposal for new student uniforms. The new uniforms were approved and have been in use since Spring 23 semester. Students who have the previous uniforms can continue to wear those until they graduate if they so desire.

Students are required to wear the official Marshall University Nursing Uniform and/or lab coat with the Marshall University emblem attached to both.

- Students are to wear a hunter green Dickie’s Cherokee scrub top and hunter green Dickie’s Cherokee pant with a white lab coat.
- Suggested Styles include the following.
  - Women’s Tops – DK615 Hunter green
  - Women’s Pants – DK005 or DK010 (student will need a hunter green pair AND a khaki pair WW110 or WW120)
  - Men’s Tops – DK645
  - Men’s Pants – DK015 (student will need a hunter green pair AND a khaki pair)
  - Unisex Lab coat - 36400A WHCH
  - White Neoprene Shirt – Bestee brand (optional)
  - Kelly Green Polo Shirt (with embroidery) – ST650

## SNA News

Our mission is to “mentor students preparing for initial licensure as registered nurses, and convey the standards, ethics and skills that students will need as responsible and accountable leaders and members of the profession.”

-SNA is a great way to meet students from higher level classes who can help with tutoring and advice.

-Monthly Meetings at 2pm on Tuesdays Prichard Hall Room 427 (check the SNA Bulletin Board for updates)

-Membership is \$15/year or \$10/semester.

-Faculty Advisors: Professor Brandy McGhee, MSN-ED, RN  
Professor Ashley Hutchinson, MSN, RN

## SNA Officers

President - Victor Villafuerte (Junior)

Vice President - Tonya McCormick (Senior)

Secretary - Mackensie Clark (Junior)

Treasurer-Hannah White (Senior)

Historian-Noelle Brown (Senior)

Fundraising Coordinator– Erick Bevill (Senior)



Fundraisers: STETHOSCOPE SALE

In cooperation with the Working Man Store, the SNA is selling stethoscopes and clinical equipment

## Giving to the SON

Looking to make a donation to the SON?

Donations can be made by sending a check to MU Foundations and specifying SON Fun 213074.

Additionally, scholarships for nursing students have been established in memory of two former faculty members: the **Nancy Fagan Memorial Scholarship** and the **Giovanna B. Morton Memorial Scholarship**.

Donations to these and other nursing scholarships can be made to MU Foundations specifying the scholarship to which you wish to donate.

**MU Foundations**  
**519 John Marshall Drive**

## Graduating Seniors RN to BSN

**Pinning Ceremony** - The School of Nursing will hold a pinning ceremony for Fall 23 and Spring 24 graduates Thursday April 25 Time: TBA in the Don Morris Room of the Memorial Student Center. To attend the ceremony, tickets are required. Tickets are free and allotment is based upon the number of students graduating. More information will be available about how to get tickets in early April. **RN to BSN students who have not heard anything about tickets by that time, send Dr. Prunty an email.**

**Nursing Pins**—If you are interested in purchasing a BSN nursing pin, you can contact C.F. Reuschlein Jewelry Store directly at (304) 697-7710



### Marshall Graduation



**Graduation Applications**-If you are graduating in December, you need to complete your graduation application and return it to Dean Crawford in COHP Dean's office asap if you have not already done so. You must also pay the university fee for graduation. Please address any questions to Mr Crawford; crawfordd@marshall.edu

**December 9th, Saturday, Commencement - TBD at Mountain Health Arena**

Academic regalia is required. Can be purchased at MU bookstore.

**Graduating in Spring 24?** October 30 is the recommended date to apply for graduation for Spring 24. January 26, 2024 is the last date to apply for graduation in the spring to ensure your name is in the graduation program. For directions on how to apply to graduate, click on this link: <https://www.marshall.edu/registrar/files/Online-Graduation-Application-Instructions-Updated-8-16-17.pdf>

**Pictures**— Hedgecock's Studio in Huntington takes senior picture every year

And creates a composite photo for both the school of nursing and for individual students. You can also purchase your photos from Hedgecocks. You do not need to sign up for photos on campus but contact Hedgecock Photography to set up an appointment time to get your photo taken. A uniform top is NOT required. However, you must wear a white top. Mr. Hedgecock has a nursing pin and hat that can be worn for photos if you want and a MU tie. Phone (304) 525-4657. If you do not live in the area, Mr. Hedgecock can assist you in finding a photographer in your area to take your photo and send it in for a composite picture.



## Course Registration Information for RN to BSN students

1. Students will be registered each semester for nursing classes according to their plan of study on file. It is the student's responsibility to check to make sure you are correctly enrolled in classes and to notify your Advisor of any errors so your schedule can be corrected.
2. Students are responsible for registering themselves in non-nursing classes. Online classes fill up quickly so make sure you register as soon as registration opens which will begin **November 6th 2023** for Spring 2024 term and **March 11th, 2024** for Summer term.
3. **IMPORTANT:** It is also the **responsibility of the student to keep track of needed non-nursing classes and register for these classes to complete requirements for graduation.** Students were given information as to additional classes needed upon admission to the RN to BSN Program. Contact your Advisor if you have question

### CPR Requirements

**Make sure to keep CPR current on Verified Credentials.** According to the SON policy, students who do not have evidence of current CPR on file with Verified Credentials cannot participate in project based experiences (NUR 318, NUR 333, NUR 410, NUR 427). Failure to participate will result in failure of the class.

## Come and See what NCF Is All About!

What: Nurses Christian Fellowship

When: TBA

Where: TBA

Why: Fellowship of Christian nurses allows students and faculty to come together in faith to celebrate, pray, and plan for missions and ministry opportunities for the upcoming year. NCF meets monthly with fellowship and devotion. We would love for you to join us this year.

If you have questions, please contact Dr Brown ([brown270@marshall.edu](mailto:brown270@marshall.edu))

**"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me**  
-Philippians 4:13



## Degree Works

When students are admitted to the RN to BSN Program, their credits are evaluated, and students are informed if they need additional hours or additional classes to meet the general education requirements and the 120 hours needed for a BSN. Degree Works is a program to help students determine if they have met the needed requirements for graduation. **It is the student's responsibility to contact their Advisor for any discrepancies in Degree Works or any questions about classes to meet the program requirements for graduation.**

### Steps for using Degree Works

- Log onto MyMU from the main Marshall web page (<http://www.marshall.edu>)
- Locate and select the Degreeworks icon from the box in the upper left corner.
- Degreeworks will open. Enter your Student ID number in the box on the upper left then enter.
- The program's evaluation of your transcript will appear.
  - For the RN to BSN there are 2 major blocks to check. The first block lists the nursing classes. The 2nd block lists the general education requirements.
- Each class will have a checkbox on the left. Red means you need the class. Blue means you're enrolled in the class. Green and a checkmark indicates that the class is completed.
- Select the "What if" tab to see how you meet criteria in other majors.
- Be sure to contact your advisor if you see something unusual - like a class you completed not showing as finished or if your record has not been recently updated.



The NUR 219 students partnered with the Huntington City Mission this fall for a service learning project. The purpose of the project was to serve and provide education on health promotion, health and wellness topics to an underprivileged population while using basic fundamental nursing assessment techniques. Both faculty and students enjoyed the experience.

**Student Quote**

I loved being a part of serving. Helping and caring is a huge part of nursing practice and by understanding the situations of all the backgrounds I serve can help me expand my practice.

**Faculty Quote**

This was my first semester implementing service-based learning in my course, and it was amazing. With nursing being a serving profession, it was a great first experience for first semester nursing students. Our community partner was fantastic, and students really seemed to enjoy the service. It gave students immediate hands-on experience and opened their eyes to the health disparities existing right in their community.



## Academic Calendar—Fall 2023

<b>August 14, Monday-August 18, Friday</b>	Registration/Schedule adjustments
<b>August 18, , Friday, 9 a.m.</b>	Residence halls open
<b>August 21, Monday 8 a.m.</b>	First Day of Classes
<b>August 21, Monday-August 25, Friday 8am-5pm</b>	Late registration/schedule adjustment (add/drop)
<b>August 25, Friday</b>	Last day to add a class
<b>August 28</b>	"W" Withdrawal period begins
<b>September 4, Monday</b>	Labor Day Holiday-University Closed
<b>September 8, Friday</b>	Applications for December graduation due in dean's office
<b>September 29, Friday</b>	Last day to drop 1st seven weeks courses
<b>October 2, Monday, Noon</b>	Freshmen/Sophomore mid-term grades due
<b>October 6, Friday</b>	1st 7 weeks courses end
<b>October 9, Monday</b>	2nd 7 weeks courses begin
<b>October 23, Monday</b>	Students should schedule appointments with advisors to prepare for advance registration for summer and fall.
<b>October 30, Monday</b>	Recommended date to apply for Spring 2024 graduation
<b>November 6, Monday-November 17, Friday</b>	Advance registration for spring semester (open only to currently enrolled students)
<b>November 10, Friday</b>	Approved thesis/dissertation must be submitted to the ETD website for final review
<b>November 17, Friday</b>	Last day to withdraw from 2nd 7 weeks courses Last day to withdraw from a full semester Individual Course
<b>November 18, Saturday, Noon</b>	Residence halls close
<b>November 20, Monday-December 1, Friday</b>	Advance registration for Spring (open only to currently enrolled students)

<b>November 20, Monday-November 24, Friday</b>	Thanksgiving Break-classes dismissed
<b>November 23, Thursday-November 24, Friday</b>	Thanksgiving Holiday-University Closed
<b>November 26, Sunday, 9:00a a.m.</b>	Residence halls open
<b>November 27, Monday</b>	Classes Resume
<b>November 27, Monday-December 1, Friday</b>	Pre-Finals Week
<b>December 1, Friday</b>	Last class day Last Day to completely withdraw from Fall semester
<b>December 2, Saturday</b>	Exam day for Saturday classes Some common finals
<b>December 4, Monday</b>	Exam Day
<b>December 5, Tuesday</b>	Exam Day
<b>December 6, Wednesday</b>	Study day Exams resume at 3:00pm for Wednesday classes
<b>December 7, Thursday</b>	Exam day
<b>December 8. Friday</b>	Exam Day
<b>December 9, Saturday, TBD</b>	Winter Commencement, Mountain Health Arena Official graduation date
<b>December 10, Noon</b>	Resident halls close
<b>December 11, Monday Noon</b>	Final Grades due All requirements must be met for Degree completion
<b>December 22, 2023 Friday –January 1, 2024 Monday</b>	Winter Break-University Closed