



June 2016



DNP Program receives full accreditation

We are delighted to announce that our newest program, the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP), received full accreditation without recommendations. The site visit took place in October 2015 but the action of the Commission occurred in May. All of our programs will go through the usual 10 year accreditation cycle by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education in 2020. Special thanks and congratulations to [Dr. Debra Shearer](#), the program's director.

Our [online DNP program, complemented with on-campus seminars](#), enjoys a 100% completion rate. It prepares post-master's Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) and nurse administrators to lead innovation in nursing practice and healthcare through full- and part-time options.

Senior NyAsia White receives Sandra Fisher Beta Image Award



The 2016 Sandra Fisher Beta Image Award was presented to NyAsia White, a senior nursing student and member of Theta Delta Beta, the College's Undergraduate Chapter of Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc., on April 30 for her academic excellence, creativity, leadership and service. NyAsia also was a recipient of a Henrietta Chisholm Scholarship Award.

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Enhancing global perspective in Poland



Eight students traveled with faculty to southern Poland for two weeks in May where they visited two major universities, learned about Poland's health care system, nursing and nursing education, culture and history. During student sessions, they presented at the 4th International Conference on Health, Illness and Beauty in Jaroslaw on such topics as midwives and human trafficking.

[See photos on our Facebook page](#)



Second cohort of Helene Fuld Health Trust scholarship recipients arrive in Driscoll Hall

In May, the College welcomed its newest cohort of second degree accelerated BSN (BSNExpress) students to campus. Among them were 28 recipients of the Helene Fuld Health Trust Scholarship. Financial assistance for students in this type of program is a current priority of the Fuld Trust. The New York City-based organization was established in 1935 and focuses on health, welfare and education of nursing students.

Like daughter, like mother



Online student Deb Shannon '16 BSN knew where she had to be to earn her BSN while a practicing RN...the same place where daughter Angela '11 BSN earned her degree.

Graduating from the online RN-BSN program, Deb remains a nurse on the Mother-Infant Unit at Lowell General Hospital in central Massachusetts and serves as a mentor and preceptor for nursing students. "I truly enjoy sharing my passion for this work with the next generation," she notes.

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Clinicians should foster independence for patients with Parkinson's disease

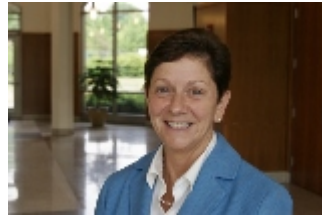
Childhood cancer survivors and high risk behaviors

The challenge of community reintegration for vets with TBI



Dr. Teri Capriotti and senior Kristina Terzakis, a Presidential Scholar, published "Parkinson's Disease for the Home Health Care Clinician" in *Home Healthcare Now* to enhance quality of life for the one million Americans and their caregivers who struggle with the progressive neurodegenerative disease every day.

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There is a need for widespread, available effective theory-based screening guidelines and interventions for risky behaviors in those who survive cancer at a young age, say Dr. Mary Ann Cantrell and co-author Dr. Michael Posner in "Engagement in High-Risk Behaviors Among Young Adult Survivors of Childhood Cancer Compared to Healthy Same-Age Peers Surveyed in the National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent Health" in *Journal of Adolescent and Young Adult Oncology*.

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Interventions to increase community reintegration of veterans with TBI should address depression, a treatable condition, note Dr. Helene Moriarty, Diane L. & Robert F. Moritz, Jr. Endowed Chair in Nursing Research, and co-authors in "Depressive Symptomatology Mediates Associations With Community Reintegration in Veterans With TBI" published in *Military Psychology*.

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COPE's Moving People from Resistance to Willingness: A Skills-based Motivational Interviewing Workshop on July 13

Do you counsel those who are constantly resistant to your efforts? Do they continue to throw excuses at every suggestion you make? Join us for this highly interactive workshop to learn practical skills that can be applied immediately in any health or wellness practice.

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Upcoming Events

**July
20**

July 20
Online RN-BSN Open House @ 12n Eastern. RSVP with your name and Open House date to RSVP@VillanovaU.com.

Aug

August 2
Summer Convocation @ 5:00pm, St. Thomas of Villanova Church

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November 21
Annual Distinguished Lecture

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