Melissa Bolyard Downs, MSA, MSN, CNE, RN | Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION			
2015	MSN	Nursing, Nursing Education	University of West Georgia
2000	MSA	Health Services Administration	Central Michigan University
1989	BSN	Nursing, Magna cum laude	University of Toledo/Medical College of Ohio

LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION

1989-Present	RN113900 Registered Nurse, State of Georgia
2015-Present	Certified Nurse Educator (CNE) National League for Nursing
2015-Present	BLS for Healthcare Providers, American Heart Association
2015 - Present	Pediatric Advanced Life Support
2015-Present	TeamSTEPPS Master Trainer

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2015-Present	Clinical Assistant Professor, Nursing	University of West Georgia, Carrollton, GA
2013-2015	Staff Nurse II, Internal Medicine	Kaiser Permanente, Atlanta, GA
2013-2015	Staff RN II	Kaiser Permanente, Atlanta, GA
2012-2014	Staff Nurse, Pediatrics	Children's Healthcare of Atlanta (CHOA)
2011-2012	Manager, CME Department	CHOA, Atlanta, GA
2010-2011	Clinical Staff Coordinator	CHOA, Atlanta, GA
2003-2012	Physician Recruiter	WilliamLaine, Atlanta, GA
1993-2014	Pediatric Nursing	CHOA, Atlanta, GA

TEACHING RESPONSIBILITIES

University of West Georgia, Tanner Health System School of Nursing

2015-Present

Clinical and Didactic instruction in BSN program

- NURS 3301 Clinical Practice I, Course Coordinator
- NURS 3302 Clinical Practice II, DEU Coordinator
- NURS 4301 Clinical Practice III, DEU Coordinator
- NURS 4302 Clinical Practice IV, DEU Coordinator
- NURS 3102 Professional Concepts II, Course Faculty
- NURS 3301 Clinical Practice I, Course Faculty
- NURS 4300 Clinical Specialty Practice, Course Faculty

Kennesaw State University, WellStar School of Nursing

2015

Student Nurse Educator Practicum I

- NURS 3303 Clinical Pharmacology
- NURS 3209 Holistic Nursing, Student Guest lecturer

Brenau University School of Nursing

2006-2007

Clinical Nursing Instructor

• NG450, Pediatric Practicum

Masters Student Preceptor

2015-2017

University of West Georgia, Tanner Health System School of Nursing, Carrollton, GA

- Gideon Esuzor
- Catherine Whitley
- Baylee Cates

PUBLICATIONS

none

GRANTS AND FUNDING

PRESENTATIONS

Downs, M.B., Spinks, M., & Culbertson. L. (2014). TeamSTEPPS, Implications for Nurse Educators, Georgia Association for Nursing Education (GANE) Conference, Poster Presentation, First Place Poster Award

Downs, M.B., & Burke, B. (2017). *Implementing a Dedicated Education Unit (DEU) in a Community Hospital*. GANE Conference Tybee Island, Georgia

HONORS AND AWARDS

2015	Daisy Faculty Award, University of West Georgia
2014	Promise of Nursing for Georgia Regional Faculty Fellowship Award, Foundation of the National
	Student Nurses' Association
2014	Peter Woodhouse Ware Graduate Nursing Scholarship

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

1989- Present	Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society
2014-Present	Georgia Association of Nurse Educators
2015-Present	The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi
	Institutional Service

Tanner Health System School of Nursing, University of West Georgia 2016-present Search Committee

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2016-present	Chair, CP Vertical Curriculum Committee
2014-2015	Caring for Faculty Committee, MSN student
2016-present	Chair, CP Vertical Curriculum Committee
2015-present	Undergraduate Program Committee

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

2016	Heritage Sandy Spring Festival volunteer
2015	GANE Conference Planning Committee

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

Numerous webinars and $1-2$ contact hour seminars for professional CE, li	st available upon request
Quality Matters: Designing Your Online Course	Fall, 2016
Applying the Quality Matters Rubric, online course	Fall 2016
Innovations in Pedagogy, University of West Georgia	May 2015