

NOMINATION FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE CHAIR AWARD

Nancy Darland, Professor, College of Applied & Natural Sciences

A. Courses Taught and Overall Teacher Evaluation Rating 2005-2010

Year	Fall	Winter	Spring	Summer
2009-10	NURS 210 4.0	NURS 112 3.75	NURS 210 N/A	NURS 210 N/A
2008-09	NURS 210 3.3	NURS 112 3.9	NURS 210 3.8	NURS 210 N/A
2007-08	NURS 210 3.95	NURS 112 3.75	NURS 210 3.95	NURS 210 N/A
2006-07	NURS 210 4.0	NURS 112 3.7	NURS 110 3.6	NURS 210 N/A
2005-06	NURS 210 3.7	NURS 112 3.5	NURS 110 3.6	NURS 112 N/A

B. Beliefs concerning the importance of Teaching, Research and Community/University Service to the Overall Mission of the University (Nursing faculty role is 70% teaching, 5% research, 25% service.)

My goal as a professor in the Division of Nursing at Louisiana Tech is to prepare students to be successful on the NLCEX-RN licensure exam and to function as beginning practitioners of nursing in a variety of healthcare settings. Nurses function as caregivers, health teachers, change agents, and client advocates. The rapidly developing changes that occur in society demand that nurses participate in life-long learning. As stated by Bigge, "a teacher's job is one of enhancement, enrichment, and acceleration of the psychological growth process," with the addition of developmental and sociocultural growth processes as well. Educators should strive to create an environment that is conducive to self-motivation, personal maturity, and significant learning. With a mature, personally committed, and motivated learner, the teacher's role in nursing education is that of facilitator, counselor, and colleague, assisting students in their quest for knowledge. I believe it is true that "a teacher effects eternity", not only for that student's chosen career but also for the lives of the patients and families with whom they come in contact with as nurses. Teaching is, and should be, our primary faculty role as students are central to the overall mission of the university.

Research and scholarly activity is vital to expand the knowledge base in a profession. As educators, we should strive to stay abreast of current trends in our chosen field in order to convey to students cutting edge information. While research takes different forms, based on the discipline, the importance of research projects, publications, presentations and grant funding to facilitate those is integral to the mission of a university.

Nursing is a service profession. I believe that it is important to "give back" to your community by participating in philanthropic activities. As a university community, it is important that we embrace the community around us and set an example of service. I have tried to lead by example in coordinating community service projects for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, as well as service learning projects such as Kids in Safety Seats, Teen Pregnancy Prevention, and Prematurity Prevention with the March of Dimes, while encouraging student involvement in these activities. It is important that as faculty, we serve the university through committees, special projects, support of athletic teams, etc., but it is central to the university mission that we also serve the community and population around us.

C. Selected List of Publications, Grants, and Similar Scholarly Activities 2005-2010

Certified as an Infant Adoption Awareness Training Program, Understanding Infant Adoption, trainer at the request of Volunteers of America, 2010.

Completed University Seminar 489-A, "Incorporating Service Learning into Academic Offerings" Fall 2009. "Maternal Newborn Community Outreach Program" featured as one of six projects submitted by Louisiana Tech when named to the 2009 President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll. Podcast/Blog at www.PeripateticProductions.com/blog regarding personal and professional experiences with premature infants and March of Dimes organization; hosted by Candy Campbell, RN July 1, 2009. Awarded the Virginia Pennington Endowed Professorship in Nursing, 2006, Renewed in 2009. Utilized professorship funds to incorporate use of the Medical Educational Technologies, Inc. Emergency Care

Simulator into the nursing curriculum.

Published: Darland, N. *Clinical Simulation Using the METI Program for Nursing Curriculum Integration*. Baton Rouge, LA: Promise of Nursing for Louisiana Grant Foundation, LSNA.
Darland, N. (Presenter & Author), Guin, R. (Presenter & Author), Brown, L. C. (Presenter & Author), Payne, S. F. (Presenter & Author), Fife, B. (Author Only), Gulf South Service Learning Summit, Baton Rouge, LA, "Service Learning, Disaster Drills and Students: Successful Learning Partnerships", Academic, National, published in proceedings, Accepted. (March 25, 2009).
Guin, R. (Presenter & Author), Darland, N. (Presenter & Author), Mosby's Faculty Development Institute, Contemporary Forums, Orlando, FL, "Service Learning, Disaster Drills, and Students: Successful Learning Partnerships", Academic, National, published in proceedings, Accepted. (January 5, 2009).
"Continuing Nursing Education Corner" *Pelican News*, December 2008, 64 (4) 8.
"Continuing Nursing Education Corner" *Pelican News*, June 2008, 64 (2), 13.
Attended "Striving for Evidence-Based Practice in Nursing Education" April 8-11 in Branson, MO, International Nurse Educators Conference in Breckinridge, CO in July, Campus Community Emergency Response Team Training in Shreveport, December, 2008. Mosby's Faculty Development Institute and ANCC Planning and Evaluating Continuing Nursing Education Workshop in New Orleans in January, 2009. Gulf South Service Learning Summit in Baton Rouge, March, 2009.
Completed ANS EDU 489A Topics in Planning and Assessment Fall, 2008 and EDU 489A, Fall Academy for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, "Documenting Student Learning", 2006.
Attended METI Southeast Regional Human Patient Simulation Conference, Greenville, SC, October, 2006 Applied & Natural Sciences nominee and one of three university finalists for the Louisiana Tech Foundation Professorship Award, 2005.
Listed in Who's Who in American Education, 2005, 2007.
Completed Faculty Development Series Power Point II, Word II, and Acrobat I and EDU 445 "Teaching with Technology", 2005.
Certified by the American Nurse's Association Credentialing Center in Maternal-Child Nursing, 1984-1990, Perinatal Nursing, 1990, and have renewed consecutively through 2014. Neonatal Advanced Life Support Certification (Neonatal Resuscitation Provider), 2005-2009.
Since 2005, I have completed many nursing continuing education programs earning 301 contact hours. I have maintained both my Registered Nurse license as well and my Advanced Practice Registered Nurse License through the Louisiana State Board of Nursing.

Grants Received

- University National Evaluation Team/Spaulding for Children/Public Research and Evaluation Services, Inc./National Infant Adoption Training Initiative 2009-2010. This is an \$11,000,000 federally funded project through the US Department of Health and Human Services designed to train health care workers to comfortably present the option of adoption in a non-coercive manner in pregnancy options counseling. Darland coordinated the LA Tech Nursing 210 students participation in a pilot study "Training with Technology Study: Infant Adoption Training Initiative" in the Spring, 2010 and became a certified Understanding Infant Adoption trainer.
- Guin, R. (Co-Principal), Darland, N. (Principal), Fife, B. (Co-Principal), Payne, S. F. (Co-Principal), Grant, "Promise of Nursing for Louisiana Grant for the METI Program for Nursing Curriculum Integration", Louisiana Nursing Foundation Board/ National Student Nurses Association, Other, \$27,220. (December 2007 - December 2009).
- Fife, B. (Co-Principal), Guin, R. (Principal), Brown, L. C. (Co-Principal), Payne, S. F. (Co-Principal), Darland, N. (Supporting), Grant, "Integrating Community Resources for Disaster Preparedness in Lincoln Parish", University of Louisiana System/ Serve and Learn America, State, \$24,300. (September 2008 - May 2009).
- ANS Travel Grant to present "Service Learning: Maternal/Newborn Community Outreach Projects" at the International Nurse Educator's Conference in Breckenridge, CO, July 2008 (\$917.70 from ANS and \$305.90 from Nursing).
- Darland, N. and Sims, T. Louisiana Campus Compact Grant to attend Multi-state "Developing Citizens through Leadership & Civic Engagement Conference" and present "Maternal/Newborn Community Outreach Projects", (\$500) 2007.
- Darland, N. and Sims, T. ANS Travel Grant to present "Service Learning: Maternal/Newborn Community

- Outreach Projects” at the UAMS Perinatal Conference in Little Rock (\$1,001.52) 2007.
- Darland, N. and Sims, T. ANS Innovative Instruction in Undergraduate Courses Mini-Grant “Promotion of Cultural Diversity in the Obstetrical Setting” (\$305.00) 2006.
- Darland, N. and Sims, T. ANS Travel Grant to present “Community Outreach: Maternal/Newborn Service Learning Projects” at the UAMS College of Nursing Educator Conference (\$502.31) 2005.
- Darland, N. (Principal), Moore, P. (Co-Principal), Payne, S. (Co-Principal) Student Technology Fee Board Grant to purchase the METI Emergency Care Simulator for \$52,549.00 for Nursing lab, 2005.

Reviews

“Understanding Infant Adoption (U1A-2)”, Infant Adoption Awareness Training Initiative by Spaulding for Children, 2008.

Craven & Hirnle, *Fundamentals of Nursing: Human Health and Function*, 6th ed. Philadelphia: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, 2008.

Accuracy review for first reprint of Chapters 10 “The Reproductive System”, 11 “Conception and Fetal Development”, 12 “Special Reproductive Concerns: Infertility and Genetics”, 34 “Postpartal Family Adaptation and Nursing Assessment”, 35 “The Postpartal Family: Needs and Care”, 36 “Home Care of the Postpartal Family”, 37 “Grief and Loss in the Childbearing Family”, and 38 “The Postpartal Family at Risk” in *Olds: Maternal-Newborn Nursing & Women’s Health Care Across the Lifespan*, 8th ed. for Pearson/Prentice-Hall, 2008.

Chapters 10 “The Reproductive System” and 11 “Conception and Fetal Development” in *Olds: Maternal-Newborn Nursing & Women’s Health Care*, 8th ed. and 180 NCLEX style questions to accompany the *Olds & London Maternal-Newborn Nursing and Women’s Health Care*, 8th ed. for Pearson/Prentice-Hall, 2008.

Chapters 17, “Complementary and Alternative Medicine” and 30 “Intravenous Therapy”, in *Fundamentals of Nursing* by Craven, Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, 2007.

Chapters 6, “Ethical and Legal Issues”, 59, “Renal System”, and 60, “Renal Medications”, in *Saunders Comprehensive Review for NCLEX-RN*, by Silvestri, Saunders, 2005.

“*Managing and Coordinating Nursing Care*”, 4th ed. By Ellis & Hartley for Lippincott, Williams, and Wilkins and Debourgh proposal *Recognition, Reasoning, Response: Acute Care Therapeutics* for a medical-surgical nursing text for Prentice-Hall, 2006.

Gulanick and Myers *Nursing Care Plans: Nursing Diagnosis and Intervention*, 6th edition, 2005.

Presentations

- "Integrating, Sustaining, and Marketing Service Learning with Community Partners" to Lincoln Leadership class on March 11, 2010.
- “Service Learning, Disaster Drills, and Students: Successful Learning Partnerships”, Mosby’s Faculty Development Institute, Orlando, January 5-6, 2009 and at College of Applied & Natural Sciences Research Day April 16, 2009.
- "Clinical Simulation using the METI Program for Curriculum Integration" project poster at the College of Applied & Natural Sciences Research Day April 15, 2010 and the Louisiana State Nurses Association Convention April 30 and May 1, 2009.
- “Introduction to Disaster Preparedness through Service Learning”, Community Emergency Response Team Training, Shreveport, December 18, 2008.
- “Service Learning: Maternal/Newborn Community Outreach Projects”, Region VII, Fetal Infant Mortality Review Commission, Monroe, LA, November 14, 2008.
- “The Adoption Experience” as part of Understanding Infant Adoption Training Curriculum, LA Tech University March 17, 2010 and September 16, 2009, University of LA Monroe, October 21, 2008 and Louisiana Technical College, Ruston, LA November 7, 2008.
- “Fund the Mission” in conjunction with March of Dimes, Monroe, LA October 28, 2008.
- Service Learning: Maternal/Newborn Community Outreach Projects, LA Tech University, University Seminar 489A, October, 2008.
- “Service Learning: Maternal/Newborn Community Outreach Projects” poster presentation with Tanya Sims at the LSUHSC-Monroe, Maternal Child Conference, September 12, 2008

- "Promoting Cultural Diversity in the Obstetrical Setting" poster presentation with Tanya Sims at ANS Research Day, LA Tech University, Ruston, LA, April 17, 2008.
- "Disaster Nursing: Combining Research and Service-Learning" with Ramona Guin, Allison Ouzts, and Scott Temple, Beta Chi Chapter, Sigma Theta Tau Research Conference, March 14, 2008.
- Service Learning for University Seminar 289, October, 2007.
- "Maternal/Newborn Community Outreach Projects" with Tanya Sims in conjunction with LA Tech Serves, Ruston September 18, 2007.
- "Service Learning: Maternal/Newborn Community Outreach Projects" poster presentation at the "Developing Citizens through Leadership and Civic Engagement" Fifth annual Campus Compact Multi-State Conference in New Orleans, July 9-11, 2007.
- "An Introduction to Forensic and SANE Nursing" with Ramona Guin and Tanya Sims to Ruston District Nurses Association, April 17, 2007.
- "Facing the Challenges of Prematurity" in conjunction with March of Dimes: Ruston, March 6, and April 3, 2007.
- "Service Learning: Maternal/Newborn Community Outreach Projects" poster presentation at UAMS Perinatal Conference in Little Rock, January 25-26, 2007.
- Expert witness testimony regarding "DVT and Nursing Care" in Caddo District Court, February 14, 2007.
- "The Adoption Experience" as part of Understanding Infant Adoption Training Curriculum, LA Tech University, January 10, 2007, and at University of LA at Monroe, April 25, 2007.
- "Service Learning: From Theory to Practice", LA Tech University Organization of Department Heads and Associate Deans, October 25, 2006.
- "The Adoption Experience", at Lincoln General Hospital, Ruston, Dec. 8, 2005.
- "Prematurity", March of Dimes, Ruston, April 7, 2005 and Feb. 1, 2006.
- "Community Outreach-Maternal/Newborn Service Learning Projects", poster presentation, College of Applied and Natural Sciences Day, April 29, 2004 and at UAMS College of Nursing Educator Conference, May 12, 2005.

D. Selected List of Community/Professional/University Service Activities 2005-2010

Community Service

Assisted with ULS Learn and Serve grant and Disaster Preparation involving Ruston Police, Fire, EMS, LA Tech Police and Nursing Students Training April 2010, April 2009, October 2008, and June 2007. Updated city of Ruston Officials on August 10, 2009.

Continue to serve as Coordinator of Kids in Safety Seats, a viable toddler car seat rental program which is the oldest, active program in the state with 25 years of continuous operation. Program originally began with a \$1,000 grant from the National Highway Safety Administration and the American Red cross in 1985.

Serve as the ambassador family for the Ruston WalkAmerica for the March of Dimes 2005-10. \$13,000 raised at Ruston WalkAmerica event in 05, \$18,000 raised at Ruston event in 06, \$29,000 raised at Ruston event in 07, \$ 35,000 in 2008, \$40,000 in 2009, and \$40,000 in 2010. Appeared on "What's Cookin'" and "Good Morning Ark-La-Miss TV shows. Spoke to several local civic groups and presented "Facing the Challenges of Prematurity".

Serve as Philanthropic Chair for Zeta Rho Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha: Performed community service such as fundraising for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Ruston radiothons are held annually in February involving approximately 125 volunteers, of which many are LA Tech students and faculty. Total money pledged 2005-2010 is \$964,000.00.

From 2005-2010, 247 Nursing 210 (Maternal-Newborn Health Maintenance) students implemented 190 service-learning projects in north Louisiana and south Arkansas involving 10,558 individuals. These projects included breastfeeding, emergency maternal services for EMS providers, sexually transmitted infection prevention, contraception, infant car safety, prematurity prevention, prenatal education, shaken baby syndrome, teenage pregnancy, and fetal development.

Coordinated Fall Festival First Aid Booth, in October 2005-2010 with approximately 2500 in attendance annually. Nursing student volunteers also staffed booth.

Select community service activities, not mentioned previously and year.

2006 Awarded the Betty Robbins Volunteer of the Year Award by the Ruston Junior Auxiliary, LA Tech Wellness Fair.

2005 American Heart Association Walk, Nurse volunteer at the hurricane shelter at the Ruston Civic Center.

Professional Service 2005-2010

Appointed to serve on LA Patient's Compensation Fund Medical Review Panel for 3 malpractice cases, 2009-2010.

Organizations-offices and committees:

Ruston District Nurses Association: Served as President-elect 2005-2006, President 2007-2009, Board Member 2010.

LA State Nurses Association: Member of LSNA Continuing Education committee (since 1992). Review all CE provider applications in Louisiana. Began serving as Co-Chair of LSNA CE committee for Provider Applications in January 2007. Revised LSNA Provider Criteria and Application based on ANCC's revisions in 2006 and 2009. Developed interim monitoring procedure for CE Providers in 2010. Received the Nightingale Award for Volunteer of the Year in 2007 for service on the LSNA CE committee. Nominated by RDNA for the LA Nurses Foundation Nightingale Award for Outstanding Community Service by a Registered Nurse, 2006. Helped write ANCC Self-Study and revised LSNA Policy and Procedure Manual in 2005.

Professional Organizations-Membership

American Nurses Association, American Red Cross, National League for Nursing, Association for Women's Health, Obstetrics and Neonatal Nursing
Beta Chi Chapter, Sigma Theta Tau Nursing Honor Society- Excellence in Education Award in 2007

University Service

Division of Nursing Service 2005-2010

Served on: Library (Chair), Curriculum, Media, Faculty, Scholarship, Nursing Position Description Ad Hoc Committee, Ad Hoc committee for Minden LPN to RN extension program, Ad Hoc committee for Nursing 110 level and 200 level course policy review, ATI Ad Hoc Committee, NLN Self-Study: Program Outcomes, Student Handbook Revisions Ad Hoc Committee. Provided feedback related to Nursing's Strategic Plan and proposed Substance Abuse Policy/Drug/Alcohol Testing Policy. Helped revise Skills Labs policies and procedures for Nursing 110, 112, and 210. Chaired Tenure and Promotion committee. Attended SNA meetings, Career Day spring curriculum workshop, Welcome Breakfast for Nursing 110/114 in Fall and Spring, Fall, Winter, and Spring Pinning Ceremonies. Emergency contact person for nursing. Served as mentor for new faculty. Nominated several LA Tech Nursing students for the USAA Collegiate All-American Scholar Awards Program. Community nursing recruitment activities. Attended METI HSPN Conference 2007 and NLN Education Summit September, 2006. Served on Division of Nursing Faculty Search Committee 2007-09.

College Service 2005-2010

Tenure & Promotion Committee 2005-2009, ANS Undergraduate Program Council and Grievance/Student Grade Appeals Committee 2009-2010. 2005, ANS Dean Search Committee, 2006 ANS Associate Dean Search Committee. Attended ANS Homecoming Tailgate Parties. Nominated for the ANS John D. Griffin Service Award in 2006. Helped revise Tenure and Promotion guidelines in 2005. Received ANS Outstanding Teaching Award for 100 and 200 Level Courses, 2008.

University Service 2005-2010

Attended LA Tech Foundation and Alumni functions such as Happenings, Homecoming banquets, receptions, and the Ruston-Lincoln Business Awards Breakfasts. Attended many athletic events: football, basketball, volleyball, track, softball, and baseball. Attended Faculty and Staff Club lunch programs and Spring Commencements.

2009-2010 Alternate for University Honors Council, 2008- Freshman Convocation Volunteer

2007-American Democracy Voter Registration Project, Nursing 112 students participated in the Core Alcohol and Drug Survey, Attended open house for Student Achievement center, Participated in the National Bone Marrow Donation Drive, Attended Fisher Consulting Group luncheon March 21

2006-Staffed nursing booth for Undeclared Majors Day

2005-2006 Strategic Planning Tier 3 Subcommittee (Goal 2.1), 2005 Personal Advisor and Liaison (PAL)