

Cynthia K. Schweizer MSN-NE, RN

Curriculum Vitae

PERSONAL DATA

Cynthia K. Schweizer MSN-NE, RN
School of Nursing Faculty
University of North Carolina Wilmington (UNCW)

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

2011 Master of Science-Nursing – Nurse Educator Track
University of North Carolina Wilmington
Wilmington, NC
2003 Bachelor of Science-Nursing
University of St. Francis
Joliet, Illinois
1984 Associate of Arts-Nursing,
Wayne County Community College
Detroit, Michigan

CURRENT LICENSE

2004-present Registered Nurse Licensure- North Carolina
1984-present Registered Nurse License-State of Michigan

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2016 - School of Nursing Part-time temporary appointment
2017 - School of Nursing Full-time 10-month contract temporary appointment
University of North Carolina Wilmington (UNCW)
College of Health and Human Services
Wilmington, NC

- Provided online learning experience for the accelerated RN-BS Program, NSG 408 Population and Community Health course
- Various online teaching strategies, tools and software utilized to facilitate learning
- Student support, assessment of learning, individual feedback provided for students in online courses, clinical courses, and Simulation Learning Center (SLC) experiences.
- Facilitated student clinical experiences in various levels of the Undergraduate Program. NSG 252 Foundations of Professional Nursing Practice, NSG 326 Adult Health I, NSG 405 Community Health and NSG 409 Clinical Nursing VIII Capstone, Transition to Professional Practice.

- Clinical experiences provided in both Acute and Chronic settings. At New Hanover Regional Medical Center (NHRMC) the Surgery/Recovery, Medical/Surgical, Renal, Pulmonary/Oncology Units, Emergency Department and the Intensive Care Units were utilized for the Acute care experience. The Medical Mall at NHRMC, Liberty Long Term Care Facility, New Hanover, Brunswick and Columbus counties Department of Health, Hospice Care Centers, Elementary, Middle and High Schools, Clinics, Cancer Centers provided Acute and Chronic care experiences in several communities. New Hanover county Housing Authority also provided experiences for the students within a community setting.
- Facilitated student participation in clinical pre-conference and post conferences in both Acute and Chronic settings. Students assigned to a patient(s), assigned to a student partner and scheduled to give a short presentation on a topic in line with their lecture schedule during post conference.
- Worked with the clinical facility health care team leaders to make plans for student clinical experiences.
- Collaborated with the faculty team to furnish instruction for students in both the Undergraduate BSN Program and the accelerated RN-BS Program.

2011-2012 **Adjunct Faculty**

2012-2016 **Full-time Faculty**

Brunswick Community College (BCC)

Supply, NC

- Provided didactic and clinical instruction in first year Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) students.
- Clinical instruction was both Acute and Chronic Care. Acute care at NHRMC Adult Surgical unit. Chronic Care instruction at Universal Health Care. Pre-conference and post conferences were part of the clinical day. Students assigned a patient(s).
- Communication with clinical health care team leaders to make plans for student clinical experiences was exercised.
- As a faculty team member provided didactic instruction to students for NUR 111 Introduction to Health Concepts, NUR 112 Nursing II Health & Illness Concepts, NUR 113 Family Health Concepts and NUR 114 Holistic Health Concepts.
- Provided exam analysis, individual remediation and student advisement.
- Participated in the nursing lab as a team lead for faculty and student guidance.
- Utilized and communicated with representatives of online resources Moodle, ATI and Shadow Health for learning enhancement and documentation.
- Organized and scheduled clinical rotation, lab hours and simulation experiences.
- Primary facilitator for student simulation experience include pre-brief, observation and debrief.
- Organized and developed course calendars, assignments, syllabus, and course book orders.
- Chair of Admissions and Progression Committee included faculty teamwork, curriculum design, evaluation of program outcomes and administrative reporting.

2009-2011 Student Nurse Educator – Residency

UNCW

Wilmington, NC

- Provided didactic and clinical instruction for BCC first year ADN students. Clinical rotation at Novant Brunswick Regional Medical Center (NBRMC) Medical Unit, Universal Health Care Long Term Care Unit and Memory Unit. Didactic practice first year ADN students concept based program.
- Provided didactic and clinical instruction for UNCW Undergraduate Nursing students. Clinical rotation at New Hanover Regional Medical Center (NHRMC) Surgical Unit. Didactic practice with the Undergraduate Program in the NSG 405 Community Health course at UNCW.
- Participated with faculty team and students at UNCW SLC lab instruction, activities and simulation practice and research.

2007-2012 Full-time Case Manager

NHRMC

Wilmington, NC

- Collaborates and educates the patient, family, interdisciplinary team and payor to plan.
- Organize, coordinate and monitor provision of cost-effective care in clinically appropriate setting, ensuring quality health care services and resources needed to promote optimal outcomes.
- Facilitates compliance with regulatory requirements and organizational performance standards with all internal and external customers.
- Provided case management for all Intensive Care Units throughout NHRMC. Float to Cape Fear Orthopedic Hospital, Betty Cameron Women Children Hospital and throughout the NHRMC tower.
- Participated in the processes of appeals and denials.

2005-2007 Quality Improvement Specialist

Carolinas Health System Northeast

Concord, NC

- Support organizational clinical effectiveness goals and objectives, developed activities for performance improvement teams and employee education.
- Worked collaboratively with administration, physicians, and other hospital leaders, quality resource for the interdisciplinary team.
- Collect and analysis of data reported to Joint Commission, National Hospital Voluntary Reporting Initiative, Mortality review and Medical Staff Quality Committee reporting.

2004-2005 Full-time Case Coordinator, Hospital Liaison

Hospice & Palliative Care Charlotte Region

Charlotte, NC

- Hospital liaison for entire Charlotte area hospitals.
- Responsible for admissions to hospice, determination of hospice appropriateness, discharges from hospital setting and care of patient in both hospital and home setting.
- Experience also included home visits and Kids Path program. Schedule visits based on acuity and phone triage.

1999-2004 Full-time Quality RN

Aurora Health Care

Burlington, WI

- Participated in daily utilization review, physician peer review process, data collection and analysis, reporting and development of policies.
- Practiced in hospital Infection Control (IC), reviewed daily lab reports, completed local health department and state mandatory reporting, provided education for employees and surveillance rounds.
- Developed and implemented IC policies and procedures for the opening of a new hospital in Kenosha, WI.

1996-1998 Full-time Employee Health, Infection Control, Staff Development (Part-time staff/house supervision from 1996-1997)

Lakeview Neuro Rehabilitation Center

Waterford, WI

1991-1997 Full-time Case Management/Patient Care Team Coordinator

Hospice Alliance-Kenosha, WI

1990-1991 Full-time Director of Nursing

Allen Park Convalescent Center

Allen Park, MI

1990-1991 Part-time Home Health Nurse

Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital

Wyandotte, MI

1987-1991 Full-time Assistant Director of Nursing, Staff Development

Rivergate Convalescent Center

Riverview, MI

1986-1987 Staff/Charge Nurse CCU/SCU

Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital

Wyandotte, MI

1986-1987 Part-time Compliance Chart Reviewer

Rivergate Convalescent Center
Riverview, MI

1985-1986 Full-time Infection Control/Staff/Charge nurse

Rivergate Convalescent Center
Riverview, MI

1984-1985 Staff/Charge Nurse Medical/Surgical Unit

Beaumont (Oakwood) Hospital
Dearborn, MI

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2015 BCC Annual Full-time Faculty Educator Award Nominee
- 2011 UNCW Graduate Achievement Award
- 2010 Sigma Theta Tau International, Honor Society of Nursing
- 2003 Aurora Health Care Star Employee Award
- 2002 Aurora Health Care Star Employee Award

RESEARCH

December 2011-UNCW Thesis: Self-Regulated Learning and Clinical Reasoning During Acute Versus Community Based Clinical Experiences Advisor: RuthAnne Kuiper PhD, RN CNE ANEF.

PRESENTATIONS

International-Peer Reviewed unless otherwise indicated

Schweizer, C. K., Kuiper, R. (2013, November) *Self-Regulated Learning and Clinical Reasoning in Baccalaureate Nursing Students During Acute Care Versus Community Based Clinical Experiences*. Podium presentation at Sigma Theta Tau International 42nd Biennial Convention, Indianapolis, IN.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2017-present ATI Champion at UNCW course completed June 2017, assist with ATI assessment proctoring and communicate to faculty ATI updates.
- 2016-2016 Pearson book review Nursing A Concept-Based Approach to Learning Vol. I & Vol. II by Pearson Education, Edition II.
- 2015-2017 Sigma Theta Tau International (STTI) Nu Omega Chapter Ambassador
- 2015-present North Carolina Nurses Association (NCNA) Membership Activities

2014-2015 NCNA Simulation Council Membership Activities
 2014-2015 American Nurses Association (ANA) Membership Activities
 2013-present Nurses Day Celebration Committee UNCW/NCNA Membership Activities
 2002-2004 Aurora Health Care South East Region Interdisciplinary Committee Chair
 2000-2004 Aurora Health Care South East Region Interdisciplinary Committee Activities
 1999-2000 Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology (APIC) Membership reporting

Memberships

2014-present North Carolina Nurses Association
 2010-present Sigma Theta Tau International

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Course Number	Program	Course Name
NSG 408	UNCW Online accelerated RN to BSN program	Population and Community Health
NSG 409	UNCW Undergraduate BSN Program	UNCW Clinical Nursing VIII Capstone, Transition to Professional Practice
NSG 405	UNCW Undergraduate BSN Program	Community Health
NSG 326	UNCW Undergraduate BSN Program	Adult Health I
NSG 252	UNCW Undergraduate BSN Program	Foundations of Professional Nursing Practice
NUR 111	BCC Associate Degree Nursing	Introduction to Health Concepts
NUR 112	BCC Associate Degree Nursing	Nursing II Health & Illness Concepts
NUR 114	BCC Associate Degree Nursing	Holistic Health Concepts
NUR 113	BCC Associate Degree Nursing	Family Health Concepts

ACADEMIC SERVICE

College Service UNCW

2017-present CHHS Strategic Planning Committee meetings attendance

Program Service UNCW School of Nursing

2016-present Support UNCW SLC by attending standardize patient volunteers luncheon.

2016-present Assist in open Lab for students in NSG 252 & NSG 326

2016-2017 Attend various School of Nursing committee meetings.

Brunswick County Community College

2011- 2016 Faculty Senate Committee Member

2012-2016 Admission and Progression Committee Chair

2012-2016 Curriculum Committee Member

2012-2016 Faculty Education Committee Member

2012-2016 Faculty Regional Advisory Committee Member

2016-2016 Participated in the ADN open lab for students in NUR 111 & NUR 112, 113