

QUICK FACTS

BY THE NUMBERS

▪ Enrollment	352 undergraduate students
2009	277 graduate students – a total of 629
▪ Faculty	109 faculty (66 full-time, 43 part-time)
	16 are national Academy Fellows; 20 Fellowships; 9 endowed faculty chairs
▪ Alumni	9,000 “Virginia” nurses in 50 states, DC, PR and 18 countries
▪ Tuition & Fees	Undergraduate – In-state (returning) \$ 9,300 (new) \$ 9,490
2009-2010	Out-of-state (ret.) \$29,600 (new) \$29,790
	Graduate – In-state \$12,140
	Out-of-state \$22,140

RANKINGS

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- **University** Ranked as #2 public university in the United States; #23 overall (*U.S. News & World Report, 2008*)
 - **School of Nursing**
 - Among nation’s top 5% of nursing schools, tied in 19th place overall of 448
 - Two graduate programs in *U.S. News & World Report* Top Ten of America’s best graduate schools: Psychiatric/Mental Health (#5) and Clinical Nurse Specialist-Adult/Medical-Surgical (#6)
 - Two others among top 20: Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (#13) and Family Nurse Practitioner (#16)
 - Ranked #1 in U.S. for doctoral student-authored NRSA fellowships in 2006

RESEARCH CENTERS

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- **Center for Nursing Research** (*Elizabeth Merwin, Director*)
Responsible for facilitating development of research activities within the School
 - **Center for Nursing Historical Inquiry** (*Arlene Keeling, Director*)
One of only two major U.S. Centers committed to promoting research and scholarship on the history of nursing
 - **Center for the Study of Complementary & Alternative Therapies**
(*Ann Gill Taylor, Director*)
A collaborative Center committed to evaluating and disseminating information about alternative therapies for chronic pain and pain related to cancer
 - **Health Care Product Evaluation Center** (*Deborah Conway, Director*)
Center dedicated to improving patient care and health care worker safety by helping companies introduce more effective medical products and devices
 - **Rural Health Care Research Center** (*Elizabeth Merwin, Director*)
Interdisciplinary Center devoted to improving rural health care through new or adapted interventions, use of technology to deliver them, training of rural healthcare providers and development of long-term community partnerships
 - **Southeastern Rural Mental Health Research Center**
(*Emily Hauenstein, Director*)
Dedicated to improving mental health care for impoverished rural minority persons, the elderly, seriously mentally ill adults, and women and children

ADMINISTRATION

- **Dean** Dorrie Fontaine, RN, PhD, FAAN
Sadie Heath Cabaniss Professor of Nursing
- **Associate Dean for Academic Programs** Sarah Farrell, PhD, APRN, BC
- **Associate Dean for Research** Elizabeth Merwin, PhD, RN, FAAN
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- **Assistant VP for HS Development- Nursing Director, PhD Program** Lori Cwalina
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- **Director, DNP and MSN Program** Ann Hamric, PhD, RN, FAAN
- **Director, Undergraduate Program** Emily Drake, PhD, RN
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- **Director, International Initiatives** Doris Greiner, PhD, RN
- **Chair, Dept. of Acute & Specialty Care** Arlene Keeling, PhD, RN
Centennial Distinguished Professor of Nursing
- **Chair, Dept. of Family, Community & Mental Health Systems** Mary Gibson, PhD, RN

PROGRAMS OF STUDY

- **BSN Degree**
 - Baccalaureate program for high school graduates
 - RN to BSN – registered nurses obtain a bachelor’s degree (*partially online*)
- **MSN Degree – Graduate programs for nurses with BSN**
 - Acute/Specialty Care (CNS or NP)
 - Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL) second degree program for college graduates
 - Community/Public Health Leadership (*online*)
 - Health Systems Management (*online*)
 - Primary Care Nurse Practitioner (Family, Geriatric, and Pediatric)
 - Psychiatric-Mental Health (CNS or PMHNP) (*web-streamed*)
 - Combined Tracks: Community/Public Health Leadership/FNP or GNP or PNP
MSN/MBA
- **Post-Master’s Programs**
 - Primary Care (GNP – *online*, FNP, PNP)
 - Acute Care (ACNP, CNS)
 - Psychiatric/Mental Health (PMHNP, CNS) (*web-streamed*)
 - Wound, Ostomy, and Continence (WOCN)
 - Health Systems Management (HSM) (*online*)
 - Community/Public Health Leadership (CPHL) (*online*)
- **Doctoral Programs**
 - **PhD** (for MS or BSN graduates to pursue research & nursing education)
 - **DNP - Doctor of Nursing Practice** (for MSN graduates w/clinical specialty for clinical practice & nursing education)

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