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**Eastern Michigan University, School of Nursing Convocation
Ceremony, May 1, 2022**

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Convocation Ceremony

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Pease Auditorium

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Program Schedule

Welcome Master of Ceremonies	Frank Schaller, DNP, RN Assistant Professor, Nursing
Greetings from the College of Health and Human Services	Christine Karshin, PhD Associate Dean, College of Health and Human Services
Welcome from School of Nursing	Michael Williams, PhD, RN Director, School of Nursing
Undergraduate Faculty Speaker	Linda Myler, DNP, RN Associate Professor, Nursing
Presentation of Bachelor of Science in Nursing Graduates	Frank Schaller, DNP, RN Assistant Professor, Nursing Moirá Visovotti, PhD, RN Assistant Professor
Presentation of MSN Nursing Graduates	Frank Schaller, DNP, RN Assistant Professor, Nursing Jennifer Avery, PhD, RN Associate Professor
Congratulations & Good Wishes! Master of Ceremonies	Frank Schaller, DNP, RN Assistant Professor of Nursing

Masters of Science in Nursing

Clinical Research Nursing

Tara Shantz

Nursing Education

Julia McKenzie

Bachelor of Science in Nursing Graduates

Abbas, Bushra	Ackron, Crystal	Agemy, Kara
Ajami, Abraham	Awada, Muhammed	Baker, Waleed
Barnett, Karen	Bliznik, Arielle	Book, Janessa
Brandau, Kelsi	Castria, Monique	El Yaman El Dandachli, Marwa
Foy, Tiffany	Frey, Abraham	Halsey, Nathan
Hayes, Gina	Heath, Mackenzie	Homberg, Lauren
Horgos, Alexandra	Howe, Anna	Hunter, Kamri
Ibraheem, Hannat	Ikharbine, Lyna	Johnson, Nakiya
Knopp, Natalia	Kopicko, Megan	Kuehn, Kristopher
Larson, Matthew	Lassen, Suzanne	Long, Karmyn
Parker, Mackenna	Rizk, Jenan	Roberts, Suni
Sandouno, Christopher	Scantlen, Sarah	Semon, Briana
Shen, Hong	Smith, DeShaun	Smith, Hunter
Stafford, Kayla	Stanley, Cody	Stauffer, Courtney
Stefonowicz, Jessica	Traill, Mary	Troost, Elizabeth
Tzavaras, Eugenia	VonLehmden, Yuliya	Vuylsteke, Joanna
Wegrzyn, Jaysa	Winters, Hunter	Wolfe, Jessica
Yuhás, Alexander	Zaran, Natalie	Zenker, Anna

*"I attribute my success to this:
I never gave or took an excuse."
-Florence Nightingale*

RN/Bachelor of Science in Nursing Graduates

Abdulla, Khulud	Abdullah, Mohamed	Adamczyk, Amber
Anderson, Amy	Antoine, Paul	Awada, Samiha
Azarovitz, Katlin	Bacon, Jammie	Bayram, Mustapha
Bieniewicz, Jaclyn	Brooks, Kaylen	Burns, Cassidy
Collicott, Sean	Crimmins-Bartsch, Jillian	Doutry, Adiranna
Edger, Nicole	Endres, Erin	Fedewa, Rikki
Fenzan, Stephanie	Frantz, Courtney	Garcia, Sarah
Garner, Sherry	Gebreyesus, Meysisaw	Gouge, Rebecca
Grimm, Sheana	Hancock, Kathryn	Hasley, Sarah
Heikkila, Michael	Iannotti, Lauren	Justman, Holly
Karner, Laura	Kerby, Rebecca	Keys, Christopher
Kirchberg, Adrienne	Krycia, Casey	Lane, Jennafer
Lauer, Abby	Losinger, Ryan	Manchester, Carolyn
McFall, Paige	McNeice, Devon	Nadwie, Melissa
Nemeth, Laura	Nixon, Lindsay	Odonnell, Heather
Parker, Erin	Parker, Heather	Pereira-Brown, Valeria
Povich, Joliette	Ramirez, Sonja	Rozeboom, Kelli
Samples, Angeline	Scholl, Stephanie	Serra, Max
Shaw, Nikole	Sheeblawy, Brittney	Shrewsbury-Kovacs, Jolene
Simmons Sr., Shaun	Smith, Mikayla	Smith, Taylor
Spencer, Maria Alexandra	Stojek, Stevie	Summers, Colleen
Tally, Collin	Teklemariam, Dereje	Thomas, Genesis
Todd, Amber	Toy, Elaney	Turner, Conrad
Walker, Colleen	Waskiewicz, Rachel	Wickens, Rebecca
Williams, Sherray	Williams, Taleesha	Young, Lindsay
Zieske, Carly		

***"Let us never consider ourselves finished nurses. . . we must
be learning all of our lives."
-Florence Nightingale***

The Nightingale Pledge

I solemnly pledge myself before God and in the presence of this assembly, to pass my life in purity and to practice my profession faithfully.

I will abstain from whatever is deleterious and mischievous, and will not take or knowingly administer any harmful drug.

I will do all in my power to maintain and elevate the standard of my profession, and will hold in confidence all personal matters committed to my keeping and all family affairs coming to my knowledge in the practice of my calling.

With loyalty will I endeavor to aid physicians in their work and devote myself to the welfare of those committed to my care.

Significance of the Rose

For generations, as part of the Nightingale tradition, a single rose is given to nursing students at convocation. This is to welcome newly graduated nurses into the profession. The rose symbolizes humility, caring, eternal devotion, and confidentiality. As each new graduate receives the rose, they are also accepting the tradition of a caring profession from all the generations that have preceded them.

Florence Nightingale is the founder of the modern profession of nursing. She was integral in establishing standards of education and the role of nurses. She paved the way for every nurse. Even now, almost 100 years after her death, her traditions carry on.

Nursing is not just a job; it is a calling, a way of life. Nursing is a service profession that cannot be lived in isolation; Nurses rely on each other for the synergistic effect of teamwork in our efforts of care giving. It is appropriate that we honor our colleagues.

The tradition does not end with the new graduate. A white rose is presented at the end of life's journey to pay a final tribute to a caring, calm and ever present nursing colleague who was always there when needed.



Nursing Faculty

Michael Williams, PhD, RN (Director)

Avery, Jennifer, PhD, RN
Bushinski, Susan, DNP, RN
DeBello, Marguerite, PhD, RN
Fox, Diane, EdD, RN
Hopkins, Holly, DNP, RN
Jackson, Dejuana, DNP, RN
Lovence, Keisha, DNP, RN
McBain, Amy, MA
Myler, Linda, DNP, RN
O'Connor, Cecilia, DNP, RN
Peltz, Caroline, PhD, RN
Schaller, Franklin, DNP, RN
Slack, Julie, PhD, RN
Visovatti, Moira, PhD, RN
Wu, Tsu-Yin, PhD, RN

Blondy, Laurie, PhD, JD, RN
Caboral-Stevens, Meriam, PhD, RN
DiSanto, Sandra, DNP, RN
Hoffman, Jenni, DNP, RN
Hughesdon, Kathryn, PhD, RN
Loomis, Elizabeth, DNP, RN
Lukomski, Angela, DNP, RN
McBurrows, Lydia, DNP, RN
Newberry, Gerald, PhD, RN
Pauli, Valerie, EdD, RN
Raymond III, Delbert, PhD, RN
Seurnyck, Kathleen, DNP, RN
Trewen, Peggy, PhD, RN
Washington, Vicki, DNP, RN

A Special Thank You to the Convocation Planning Committee and the Nursing Office Staff

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CLASS of 2022!

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- Do not enter if you have any of these symptoms:
 - Fever or Chills
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
 - Fatigue
 - Muscle or body aches
 - Headache
 - New loss of taste or smell
 - Sore throat
 - Congestion or runny nose
 - Nausea or vomiting
 - Diarrhea
- Please wear a mask at all times.
- Stay seated throughout the ceremony.
- Sit every other row with a seat between "pods."
- You will receive direction on how and when to exit the building.