

CURRICULUM VITAE

Mary Kathleen “Kathy” Thornton

EDUCATION

Degree	School	Date of Conferral
Doctorate of Philosophy in Nursing Minor in Exercise Physiology Dissertation: <i>Comparison of two intensities of resistance exercise of equal work on EPOC.</i> Federal Traineeship Grant awarded every semester and Grant Stipend awarded for two semesters.	University of Kansas, KC, KS	May 2001
Masters in Nursing, Thesis: <i>The identification of defining characteristics of the phenomenon to which nurses respond with comfort touch.</i>	University of Kansas, KC, KS	May 1988
Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS	May 1982
Associate Degree in Nursing	Barton County Community College, Great Bend, KS	May 1978

LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION

Registered Nurse	1978 to present
H/FI (Certified Health and Fitness Instructor) American College of Sports Medicine	1996 to 2006
CMT (Certified Massage Therapist) International Federation of Myomesthetic Massage	1993 to present
CNOR (Certified Nurse of the Operating Room) American Assoc. of Operating Room Nurses	1986 to present
PALS (Pediatric Advanced Life Support) American Heart Association	2003 to 2005

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Name of Organization	Year
Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society	1988 to present
Georgia Association of Nurse Educators	2004 to present
Southern Nursing Research society	2002 to present

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Faculty Appointments		
Institution	Appointment	Year
Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, GA	Director RN-BSN Program Associate Professor, Tenured 2006	2012 to present 2001 to present
Missouri Western State College, St. Joseph, MO	Clinical Instructor	1998 to 1999
Mid America Nazarene College, Olathe, KS	Clinical Instructor	1995 to 1997
Baker University, Topeka, KS	Assistant Professor	1992 to 1995
Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS	Assistant Professor	1990 to 1992
Cloud Community College, Hays, KS	Instructor and Site Coordinator	1986 to 1990
Clinical Appointments		
Institution	Position	Year
St. Francis Hospital, Maryville, MO	Staff Nurse: Med/Surgical-Perioperative	1997 to 2001
St. Francis Med Center Topeka, KS	Staff Nurse: Pediatrics	1992 to 1996
St. Anthony Hospital, Hays, KS	Staff Nurse: Med/Surgical-Perioperative	1978 to 1987

SCHOLARSHIP

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Publications

Upchurch, L. & **Thornton, K.** (2012). Hospice Referrals of Patients with Alzheimer's Disease in Southeastern Georgia: Implications for Hospice Referral Education. *Journal of Hospice Nursing*, 14(3), 1-11.

Lingerfeldt, K., & **Thornton, K.** (2011). An Educational Project for Hemodialysis Patients to Promote Self-Management Behaviors of End-Stage Renal Disease. *Nephrology Nursing Journal*, 38(6), 483-489.

Thornton, K., Alton, M., Williamson, S. & Dye, H (2011). Are nasal saline irrigations effective in decreasing the occurrence or severity of chronic Rhinosinusitis? *American Journal of Nurse Practitioners*, 7(8), 1-7.

Thornton, K., Parrish, F., & Swords, C. (2011). A comparison of topical compared to systemic pharmacologic treatment of acute otitis media: A review of the evidence. *Pediatric Nursing*, 37(5), 263-242.

Shropshire, A. & **Thornton, K.** (2011) Prevention Measures for Adolescent Suicide: An Evidence Based Review. *Journal for Nurse Practitioners*, 15(5/6). 30-32, 35, 36.

Thornton, K., Rossi, S., McMillan, J. (2011). Effects of resistance exercise bouts of different intensities but equal work on EPOC in overweight black females. *Journal of Strength & Conditioning*, 25(2), 489-496.

Kardeen, S., Smith, K., **Thornton, K.** (2009) Smoking Cessation: Counseling or No Counseling? *American Journal of Nurse Practitioners*. 14(3), 33-38.

Waters, C., Tillman, C., Currier, A., McClain, L., Moore, T., and **Thornton, K.** (2009) Current Guidelines and Best Practice Evidence for Intensified/Enhanced Breast Cancer Screening in women with *BRCA* Mutations. *Journal for Nurse Practitioners*. 5(6): 447-53

McMillan, J. L., **Thornton, M. K.**, Rossi, S. J. (2009) Comparison of fitness levels and metabolic markers, *Medicine and Science in Sport and Exercise*. (5th ed., vol. S40).

Thornton, K., Potteiger, J. (2002). Effects of resistance exercise bouts of different intensities but equal work on EPOC. *Medicine and Science in Sports and Exercise*, 34(4), 715-722.

Thornton, K., Graff, C. & Roberts, K. (1999). An ethnographic study of differentiated practice in an operating room. *Journal of Professional Nursing*, 15(6), 364-371.

Tovar (Thornton), K., Cassmeyer, V. (1989). Touch: the benefits for the surgical patient. *Journal of American Operating Room Nurses*, 49(5), 1356-1362.

Manuscripts in Review

Tillman, P., **Thornton, K.** Application of the Chronic Care Model to a Diabetes Care Management Program for the Uninsured. *Diabetes Educator*.

Smith, T., Hall, L. & **Thornton, K.** In acutely ill adults are Ventilation-Perfusion Lung Scans as effective as Computed Tomographic Pulmonary Angiography in Diagnosing Pulmonary Emboli? *Respiratory Care*. In revision for further consideration.

Bradshaw, J., Allen, D., **Thornton, K.** Evidence-Based Practice for Prevention of Bacteremia in Hemodialysis Patients. *J. Nephrology Nursing*.

Dickerson, H., Davis, A., Ekre, J., Hutcheson, J. & Welch, L. & **Thornton, K.** The Effect of Acetaminophen and Ibuprofen Used Alone on Fever Compared With Alternating the Two Medications: An Evidence Based Review. *Pediatric Nursing*.

Etheridge, C., Brady, M., Adams, A., Lucas, B., Gee, R.M., & **Thornton, K.** Effects of Progressive Mobilization in Adult Critical Care Patients on Mechanical Ventilators. In development.

Manuscripts in Development

Marshall, E., **Thornton, K.**, Allen, D. Family coping and hardiness who have children with a disability.

Thornton, K., Allen, D. & Marshall, E. Family coping and depression who have children with a disability.

Allen, D., Marshall, E. & **Thornton, K.** Family coping and caregiver-burden who have children with a disability.

Tillman, P., **Thornton, K.** Role of the EHR in Implementing the Chronic Care Model for a Diabetes Care Management.

Shropshire, A., & **Thornton, K.** For Adolescents, Does the Use of Safe Sexual Education Reduce Sexually Transmitted Diseases in Comparison with Abstinence Sexual Education? In development. To be submitted to *Pediatric Nursing*.

Wilson, T., Fender, J., Dorsey, P., Round, S., Taylor, J., & **Thornton, K.** Efficacy of SSRIs as prophylactic treatment for interferon-associated depression in hepatitis C patients. In development. To be submitted to *Journal of Gastroenterology Nursing*.

Stier, I., Joiner- Hooks, D., Merritt, M., Rhymes, M. & **Thornton, K.** Do Diabetic patients Benefit more from individual vs. Group educational sessions? In development. To be submitted to *American Journal of Nurse Practitioners*.

Parkinson, S., Juleus, S., Kline, G., Mercer, A., Minshew, H., Price, J., & **Thornton, K.** For patients with Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome, does the use of Metformin decrease the future risk of cardiovascular diseases compared with women with PCOS who do not use Metformin? An Evidence Based Practice Paper. In development. To be submitted to *Women's Health Journal*.

Price, J., Ramirez, J., Shortt, J., Smith, J., Davis, J. & **Thornton, K.** The Use of Acupressure in Conjunction with Antiemetics to Control Post-Operative Nausea and Vomiting. In development. To be submitted to *Journal of American Operating Room Nurses*.

Gearhart, N., Gray, J., Adkins, I., Davis, J. & **Thornton, K.** Prevention of Avoidable Hospital Readmissions among the Elderly with the Use of a Learning Needs Assessment Prior to Performing Discharge Planning and Instruction. In development. To be submitted to *Nursing Health Administration*.

Thornton, K., Rossi, S. & McMillan, J. Effect of fitness level on C-reactive protein in healthy college aged students. In development. To be submitted to *Medicine and Science in Sports and Exercise Journal*.

Tabi, M., **Thornton, K.**, Garno, M., & Rushing, A. Recruitment, retention and success of minority nursing student: Outcomes of a focused program. In development. To be submitted to *Minority Nursing*.

Thornton, K., .M., Rossi, S. & McMillan, J. Comparison of physiologic and biochemical obesity markers in healthy college age students. In development. To be submitted to *The Journal of American College Health*.

Griffin, L., Moseley, V., Woodruff, B., Stone, L. & **Thornton, K.** Neuropsychological testing as an effective tool in guiding return to play after a sports related head injury. In development.

PRESENTATIONS

Peer Review Podium Presentations

Thornton, K. (2013). Qualitative Analysis of Living with Chronic pain with long-term opioid treatment. *Southern Nursing Research Society Annual Conference*, Little Rock, AR

Tillman, P. & **Thornton, K. (2012)**. Application of the Chronic Care Model to a Diabetes Care Management Program for the Uninsured. *Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society, Mu Kappa Chapter Research Day*. Statesboro, GA.

Thornton, K. (2011) A Descriptive Exploration of the Phenomenon to Which Nurses Respond With Comfort Touch. *Southern Nursing Research Society Annual Conference*, Jacksonville, FL.

Shropshire, A., & Thornton, K. (2010) Prevention Measures for Adolescent Suicide: An Evidence Based Review. *Evidence Based Practice International Conference*, Phoenix, AZ.

Thornton, K. (2010) Comparison of Fitness Levels and Markers of Obesity in Apparently Healthy College Aged Students, *Southern Nursing Research Society Annual Conference*, Austin, TX.

Thornton, K., & Lickteig, M. (2009) Nurturing Meaningful Learning: Connected Pedagogy in practice. *American Association of Colleges of Nursing seventh Annual Baccalaureate Education Conference: Evidenced Based Practice*. New Orleans, LA.

Thornton, K. Rossi, S., McMillan, J. (2009) Comparison of physiologic and biochemical obesity markers in healthy college age students. podium presentation, *Southern Nursing Research Society Annual Conference*. Birmingham, AL.

Thornton, K., & Lickteig, M. (2007) Ever crunched for time: Turning the Challenge of Voluminous Content into Opportunity for Engagement Using Online Technologies and Creative Classroom Learning Activities. *American Association of Colleges of Nursing Eighth Annual Baccalaureate Education Conference: Turning challenges into opportunity*. Chicago, IL.

Thornton, K. (2007) Effects of resistance exercise bouts of different intensities but equal work on EPOC in overweight black females, *Southern Nursing Research Society Annual Conference*. Atlanta, GA

Thornton, K. (2003). A Descriptive Exploration of the Phenomenon to Which Nurses Respond with Comfort Touch. *Sigma Theta Tau Regional Clinical Research Conference*. Savannah, Georgia.

Peer Reviewed Poster Presentations

Thornton, K. (2011) A Descriptive Exploration of the Phenomenon to Which Nurses Respond With Comfort Touch. *Sigma Theta Tau-Mu Kappa Research Day*, Statesboro, GA

Thornton, K. Rossi, S., McMillan, J. (2009). Comparison of Fitness Levels and Markers of Obesity in Apparently Healthy College Aged Students, *Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society, Mu Kappa Chapter Research Day*. Statesboro, GA.

Thornton, K. Rossi, S., McMillan, J. (2008). Comparison of Fitness Levels and Markers of Obesity in Apparently Healthy College Aged Students, *Southern Conference for the American College of Sports Medicine*, Birmingham, AL.

Thornton, K., & Lickteig, M. (2008). Using Online Technologies and Creative Classroom Learning Activities. *Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society, Mu Kappa Chapter, Annual Research Day*, Statesboro, GA.

Thornton, K., & Lickteig, M. (2007) Nurturing Meaningful Learning: Connected Pedagogy in practice. *Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society, Mu Kappa Chapter, Annual Research Day*, Statesboro, GA.

MENTORING STUDENT RESEARCH

Peer Reviewed Student Poster Presentations Mentor

Faculty Mentor for School of Nursing DNP and MSN-FNP Student Posters - presented to:

#Southern Nursing Research Society National Conference;

*Mu Kappa Chapter STTI Nursing Honor Society Research Conference, Statesboro, GA and/or GSU Graduate Research Symposium (MSN students).

2012

- * *Application of the Chronic Care Model to a Diabetes Care Management Program for the Uninsured.* Paula Tillman. Awarded Won first place for top poster in college.

2011

- * *Hospice Referrals of Patients with Alzheimer's Disease in Southeastern Georgia: Implications for Hospice Referral Education.* Linda Upchurch, DNP student. Poster presentation at Graduate Student Research Symposium and Podium Presentation at STTI Nursing Honor Society Research Conference
- * *Effects of Progressive Mobilization in Adult Critical Care Patients on Mechanical Ventilators* Christy R. Etheridge, Mary V. Brady, Angela Adams, & Bobby Lucas.
- * *Neuropsychological testing as an effective tool in guiding return to play after a sports related head injury* Lasonya Griffin, Vanessa Moseley, Bethany Woodruff, & Lashunda Stone.
- * *The Effect of Acetaminophen and Ibuprofen Used Alone on Fever Compared With Alternating the Two Medications An Evidence Based Practice Paper* Haley Dickerson, Amber Davis, Joy Ekre, Jill Hutcheson, & Lanie Welch.
- * *Evidence-Based Practice for Prevention of Bacteremia in Hemodialysis Patients* Jessica Bradshaw, & Ashley Putman.
- * *The Use of Acupressure in Conjunction with Antiemetics to Control Post-Operative Nausea and Vomiting.* Jennifer Price, Janice Ramirez, Joni Shortt, Joshua Smith, & Jeanine Davis.
- * *Do Diabetic patients Benefit more from individual vs. Group educational sessions?* Ingrid Stier, Donna Joiner-Hooks, Marcie Merritt & Monica Rhymes.
- * *For patients with Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome, does the use of Metformin decrease the future risk of cardiovascular diseases compared with women with PCOS who do not use Metformin? An Evidence Based Practice Paper.* Samantha Parkinson, Sandy Juleus, Gail Kline, Ashley Mercer, Heather Minshew, & Jennifer Price.
- * *Prevention of Avoidable Hospital Readmissions among the Elderly with the Use of a Learning Needs Assessment Prior to Performing Discharge Planning and Instruction.* Nancy Gearhart, India Adkins, Jeanine Davis, & Jennifer Gray.
- # *An Educational Project for Hemodialysis Patients to Promote Self-Management Behaviors of End-Stage Renal Disease.* Kim Lingerfelt, DNP student.
- # *Hospice Referrals of Patients with Alzheimer's Disease in Southeastern Georgia: Implications for Hospice Referral Education.* Linda Upchurch, DNP student.
- # *Community Resources for Parents Who Have Children with ADHD Living in Rural Georgia* Joy Scarborough, DNP student.
- # *Computed Tomographic Pulmonary Angiography versus. Ventilation- Perfusion Lung Scans.* Linda Hall and Tandy Smith, MSN students.

2010

- * *Are Saline Irrigations Effective in Relieving Chronic Sinusitis Symptoms? A Review of the Evidence.* Herbert Dye, Suzannah Williamson, Marion Alston, Ashley Andrews, Whitney Brooks, and Nikiya Lewis.
- * *Treatment of Interferon-Associated Depression in Hepatitis C Patients: An Evidence Review.* Teresa Wilson, Justin Fender, Phyllis Dorsey, Jaimi Taylor and Sally Round.
- * *Computed Tomographic Pulmonary Angiography versus. Ventilation- Perfusion Lung Scans.* Linda Hall, Tandy Smith and Deborah Little.

2009

- * *Treatment of Latent Tuberculosis Among Healthy Adults*, Mary Jo Greenway;
- * *Smoking Cessation: Counseling or No Counseling?* Sheila Kardeen & Kris Smith;
- * *Prevention Measures for Adolescent Suicide: An Evidence Based Review*. Ali Shropshire. This poster won second prize for best poster in college.;
- * *A comparison of topical compared to systemic pharmacologic treatment of acute otitis media: A review of the evidence*, Christina Swords & Francie Heard.
- * *Effectiveness of Comprehensive Sex Education versus Abstinence Education in Reducing Adverse Outcomes in Adolescents*, Katrina Harris, Catherine Epitallier, & Deanna Bentley;
- * *Are nasal saline irrigations effective in decreasing the occurrence or severity of chronic Rhinosinusitis?* Herb Dye;
- * *Effectiveness of Dornase Alpha Therapy in Cystic Fibrosis*, Marian Alston.

2008

- * *Current Guidelines and Best Practice Evidence for Intensified/Enhanced Breast Cancer Screening in women with BRCA Mutations*, Cathleen Waters, Candace Tillman, Abigail Currier, Lindsey McClain, & Tara Moore;

2007

- * *Effectiveness of Abstinence Training vs. Comprehensive Sex Education: A Critical Appraisal of the Evidence*, Catherine Espitallier, Won first place for best poster in college.
- * *The Association of Blood Lipid Levels and Weight Status in Obese and Non-obese College Age Students*. Deborah Wallace

2006

- * *The Role of Leptin in the Regulation and Efficiency of Exercise Ventilation in Obese and Non-Obese College Students*. Linda Graves, Catherine Hitchcock, Nicole Thaller, Sarah Warren, & Kathy Wilson.

2005

- * *Initiating and Sustaining Health Behavior Change in Previously Overweight Women: A Grounded Theory Approach of Determining Success*. Paula Tillman.

Doctoral Project and Thesis Committees

Year	Committee	Student	Title of Project	Department
2012	Doctoral Project Chair	Katie Bradley	<i>Savannah Vascular and Cardiac Institute Dialysis Access Transition Endeavor (SVCI DATE): A pilot project to improve clinical outcomes for dialysis patients</i>	School of Nursing
2011	Doctoral Project Chair	Paula Tillman	<i>Evaluation of a Quality Improvement Initiative Using the Electronic Health Record.</i>	School of Nursing
2011	Doctoral Project Chair	Mark Clark.	<i>Delivering current best evidence for practice competency through technology based learning opportunities.</i>	School of Nursing
2010	Doctoral Project Chair	Joy Scarborough	<i>Community Resources for Parents Who Have Children with ADHD Living in Rural Georgia.</i>	School of Nursing
2010	Doctoral Project Member	Kim Lingerfelt.	<i>An Educational Project for Hemodialysis Patients to Promote Self-Management Behaviors of End-Stage Renal Disease</i>	School of Nursing
2010	Doctoral Project Member	Linda Upchurch.	<i>Hospice Referrals of Patients with Alzheimer's Disease in SE Georgia: Implications for Hospice Referral Education</i>	School of Nursing
2010	Thesis member	Rachel Newcomer	<i>The Comparison of Two Bone Mineral Density Pre-Screening Tools, QUS and RA, to the DXA.</i>	Health & Kinesiology
2006	Thesis member	Mecole Ingram	<i>The determination of lung function using impulse oscillometry and spirometry.</i>	Health & Kinesiology
2006	Thesis member	Vinny Dalbo	<i>The Relationship of Endogenous Creatinine Levels on Maximal Upper Body Strength, Body Fat, and Muscle Recovery in Humans.</i>	Health & Kinesiology
2005	Thesis member	Christy Bykowski	<i>Childhood Overweight and Obesity: Migratory Hispanics versus Non-Migratory Hispanics Aged 3-5 Years in Southeast Georgia.</i>	School of Nursing
2004	Thesis member	Lee Bragg	<i>Advanced Practice Nursing Model: A forensic family nurse practitioner in a children's advocacy center.</i>	School of Nursing

RESEARCH GRANTS FUNDED AND SUBMITTED

Funded and Submitted Grants

Upchurch, L., **Thornton, K.**, & Garno, M. (2011). Bulloch County Endowed Chair Faculty Scholar Award. Funded \$1000.

Thornton, K., Garno, M., & Routon, J. (2011). *An exploration of the lived experience of individuals treated with long-term opioid therapy for treatment of chronic pain.* Bulloch County Endowed Chair Faculty Scholar Award. Funded \$3600.

Allen, D., Marshall, E., & **Thornton, K.** (2009) Georgia Southern Internal research grant, \$8,000, *Quality of life for rural families with children who have chronic health conditions.* Second wave of study. Currently collecting data. I am the coordinator and liaison for the Savannah cohort.

Allen, D., Marshall, E., & **Thornton, K.** (2009) SSRI, \$2,000, *Quality of life for rural families with children who have chronic health conditions.* First wave of study. Currently collecting data for second cohort and analyzing data for first cohort.

Carter, R. Barry Joyner, B., Jennie Dilworth, J., **Thornton, K.**, Pung, M.K., Funderburk, J., Tedders, S., Bartels, J., (2005). *Obesity: Identifying and Intervening in the Health Crisis of the 21st Century.* Funded by the Georgia Southern University Strategic Research Investment Initiative. (Funding received \$40,000 plus \$10,000 matched by College of Health and Human Sciences)

I was Lead Investigator for one of four specific aims for the study, *The role of leptin and orexin in the regulation and efficiency of exercise ventilation in obese and non-obese college students.*

Thornton, K., Lickteig, M., Gee, R.M., & Rushing, A. (2006). *Initiating and Sustaining Health Behavior Change in Previously Overweight Women: A Grounded Theory Approach of Determining Success.* (Funded by Georgia Southern University College of Health and Human Sciences Strategic Research Investment Initiative Funds. (Funding received \$2,500).

Non Funded Submitted Grants

Davis, M., Allen, D., **Thornton, K.** (2010). Diabetes Action Research and Education Foundation Grant, *The Effect of a Multimodal Intervention on Overweight and Obese College Students: Risk for Development of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus.* Funding sought, \$40,000.

Thornton, K. (2006). *The role of leptin and orexin in the regulation and efficiency of exercise ventilation in obese and non-obese college students.* Georgia Southern University Faculty Research Grant. Funding sought, \$10,000.

Thornton, K. (2005). *Initiating and Sustaining Health Behavior Change in Previously Overweight Women: A Grounded Theory Approach of Determining Success.* Georgia Southern University Faculty Research Grant. Funding sought, \$3,000.

OTHER WORK

Reviewer Activity

- 2010-2012 Manuscript peer reviewer for Pediatric Nursing Journal
- 2008 -2012 Manuscript peer reviewer for the American Journal for family nurse practitioners (AJNP).
- 2010-2011 Peer reviewer Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society reviewer for grants and conference podium and poster presentations
- 2008-2010 Peer reviewer for Southern Nursing Research Society annual conference podium and poster presentations.
- 2008 -2010 Manuscript reviewer for the American Journal for family nurse practitioners (AJNP).
- 2009 Text Review, Kyle, T, Ricci, S. Maternity and Pediatric Nursing, 1st Edition. Lipincott, Williams and Wilkins publisher.
- 2008 Chapter Reviews. Ball, J.W., Bindler, R.C. Unit I: Children, Nurses, and Their Families, *Clinical Handbook for Pediatric Nursing.* Prentice Hall Publications.
- 2006 Chapter Reviews. Ball, J.W., Bindler, R.C. *Child Health Nursing: Partnering with Children and Families.* Prentice-Hall Publications.

SERVICE ACTIVITY

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

University Level Service

<i>University Committees</i>	
Rubric Development Committee Chair (Institutional Effectiveness Steering Committee)	
IRB Medical Board (Serve as IBC Chair Liaison and SON representative)	2013-Indefinite
Faculty Senate	Fall 2012-2014
Appointed by Provost to a called Faculty Advisory Committee	Summer 2012
Information Technology Advisory Committee	Fall 2011-present
Search Committee Director Research Services	Summer 2010
Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) As chair, developed an interactive online training module and led the revision of the application process and handbook.	2006-present Chair 2007-present
Undergraduate Committee: Chair February 2013-current	2012-2014, 2007-2009
Faculty Service Committee Member	2011-2013, 2005-2007
Faculty Grievance Committee Member	2005-2007
Faculty Welfare Committee Member	2003-2005
<i>University Volunteer Work</i>	
Seasonal Flu shot clinics for students, faculty & staff: Liaison/Coordinator for Nursing Student administration of injections. Coordinate, oversee, and act as liaison between School of Nursing and Student Health Center. Also, have acted as faculty supervisor for numerous clinics over the past five years.	Spring 2010 - Current
Conversations with the Professor	Fall 2009, Fall 2010
GSU Recruitment Fair/Open House (Served 1-2 times per year)	2002-2011
Participated in Operation Move-in	2008
Career Fair	2006, 2010

College of Health and Human Sciences Service

Scholars Day interviews and Lunch Host for potential CHHS students (Spring & Fall)	2009, 2010, 2011
Presentations for summer Health Careers Camp	2009, 2010, 2011
SOAR training and advisement two days (unpaid)	Summer 2009
Attended orientation session and three advisement days to fill in for another faculty	

School of Nursing Service

<i>School of Nursing Committees</i>	
MHIRT Advisory Committee	2012-present
Undergraduate Curriculum as RN-BSN Director	2012- present
Undergraduate Student Affairs as RN-BSN Director	2012- present
School of Nursing Tenure and Promotion	2011-2013
Graduate Student Affairs Committee Chair	2011-2012
Graduate DNP Curriculum Committee Member	2011-2012
Graduate Committee Member	2008-2012
Graduate Student Affairs Committee Chair	2010-2012
Undergraduate Student Affairs Committee Member and Chair	2002-2008, 2012 Chair 2003-2008
Executive Committee Member	2012- present 2004-2009,
Outcomes Committee Member	2002- present
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Member	2008-2011
Awards & Recognition Committee Member and Chair	2005-2010 Chair 2009-2010
Nursing Practice Subcommittee Member	2005-2007
Research & Scholarship Task Force Member	2004-2006
DNP Clinical Project Committee Chair: 2013-2 students; 2012-1 student; 2011-2 students; 2010-2 student Member: 2012-1 student; 2010-1 student.	2010-current
<i>Other Volunteer Work</i>	
New Faculty Mentor: Assistant Professor Crystal Edds	2012-2013
MHIRT Faculty Mentor (International Minority Student Research Program)	2012 & 2013
RUN2 Nursing Faculty Mentor (Minority Student Success Program)	2010-2013
Directed and Coordinated SON RN-BSN New Student Orientation	2012-current
Faculty Coordinated and lead for group SCRUBS program (Diversity Student Enhancement Program) meetings for nursing and pre-nursing students	2008-2012
Completed Savannah clinical assignments for Community course for 6 weeks when faculty resigned mid-semester.	Fall 2011
Substitute for ill faculty, 18 clinical hours at Memorial Medical Center in Savannah, NURS 4326	Spring 2009
Developed narrated PPT lectures for Pediatric content in NURS 3332 Pathophysiology Course	Fall 2008
Class lectures for ill faculty NURS 4136	Spring 2008
Guest lecture: Complimentary & Alternative Therapies NURS 3120	2002-2012
Guest lecture, Leadership Course Delegation in Nursing NURS 4728	2007-2010
Assist other faculty with technology related to Georgia View & Folio, Respondus Testing and various other software. I am adept at technology and often troubleshoot and assist faculty, especially when the technology support staff are not readily available.	2006-present

COMMUNITY SERVICE

<i>Presentations</i>	
East Georgia Regional Medical Center: Presentation of Management of Patients with chronic pain who are taking long term opioid therapy.	March 2013
Ogeechee County Fair: Blood Pressure Clinic and Health Promotion Teaching	2011, 2012
Blood pressure clinic for GSU employee benefits fair.	2010-2012
Guest Speaker Better Breathers Support Group of Bulloch County, Statesboro, Georgia. <i>Vitamin supplements: What do we really need?</i> <i>Physiologic Effects of Touch</i> <i>Health Effects of Massage Therapy</i> <i>Massage Therapy Techniques</i> <i>Using Therapeutic Touch to Heal</i>	2010 2009 2008 2007 2006
Thornton, K. <i>Pediatric Diabetes</i> . Georgia School Nursing Conference, Southeastern Technical College, Glenville, GA (4 hour continuing education)	2010
Thornton, K. <i>The ABC's of Pediatric Assessment</i> . Georgia School Nurses Conference, West Georgia University. Savannah, Georgia. (2 hour presentation)	2008
Booth Faculty Participant, Ogeechee Health Fair East Georgia Regional Medical Center (Bone Density Screening, Hemoglobin and blood glucose screening)	2008
Booth faculty participant, East Georgia Regional Medical Center Health Fair, Statesboro, GA. (Blood pressure screening and health teaching)	2008
Assisted students to develop and present " <i>Farm Health Fair</i> ," Southeast Brooklet Middle School	2007
Assisted students to develop and present " <i>School Health Fair</i> ," for Julia P. Bryant Elementary School	2007
Memorial Medical Center Education Committee Savannah, Committee Member	2007
Health Promotion Presentations I facilitated 30 minute student presentations on various health promotion topics (ie education for avoiding drugs, alcohol, smoking, and safe sex, pregnancy, self esteem, goal setting, oral hygiene, driving safety) to adolescents. 8-12 groups presented each semester to the Boys & Girls Club and Juvenile Justice. These presentations were very well received by the agencies and their adolescents.	2002 - 2008

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Peer Reviewer for Conference Presentations, Sigma Theta Tau International	2009-present
Peer Reviewer for Conference Presentations, Southeast Nursing Research Society.	2007- present
Treasurer, Mu Kappa Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society My service went beyond Treasurer. Due to my long tenure, I assisted each president with chapter history and procedures. I also coordinated and led development and implementation of the yearly Mu Kappa Research Day from 2010-2012.	2007-2013
Delegate, Mu Kappa Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society	2009-2011
Leadership Succession Committee Chair, Mu Kappa Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society	2007-2009
Council on Undergraduate Research Member	2011-present
Nominations Chair, Georgia Association of Nursing Education (Developed new online nomination and voting method for the organization)	2007-2009
Consultant for Memorial Medical Center Medical Ethics VP to develop Ethics Curriculum for Nurses	2012
Consultant for Memorial Medical Center EBP Journal Club	2011
Peer Reviewer, Manuscript, American Journal of Nurse Practitioners	2008-present
Peer Reviewer, Manuscript, Pediatric Nursing	2009-present
Peer Reviewer, Manuscript, Journal for Nurse Practitioners	2010
Reviewer, For Maternal-Child Text,	2010
Reviewer, Child Nursing, F.A. Davis Publishers	2010
Reviewer, Chapter for Pediatric Text, F.A. Davis Publishers	2010
Reviewer, Chapter for Pediatric Text, Prentice Hall Publishers	2008

TEACHING**COURSES TAUGHT**

	Credit	Enrollment
Summer 2012		
NURS 9126 Biomedical Ethics in Nursing Practice and Leadership	2	5
NURS 9922 DNP Clinical Immersion Project I Committee Chair	1	1
Spring 2012		
NURS 9135 Outcomes Management Health Care	3	6
NURS 3130 Critical Inquiry: Nursing Research: NET	3	26
NURS 9921 DNP Clinical Immersion Project I Committee Chair	1	1
NURS 9921 DNP Clinical Immersion Project I Committee member	1	1
NURS 7890 DNP Independent Study – Clinical Project Completion	1	1
Comprehensive DNP Essentials Exam Reader		
Comprehensive Graduate Exam Reader		
Fall 2011		
NURS 6140 Theory and Research in Advanced Practice Nursing	4	27
NURS 6812 Research Practicum I (3 groups)	3 (1 hr/group)	15
NURS 4229 Critical Analysis Nursing Concepts	2	6
NURS 9922 DNP Clinical Immersion Project I Committee Chair	1	1
NURS 9922 DNP Clinical Immersion Project I Committee Chair	1	1
Summer 2011		
NURS 9126 Biomedical Ethics in Nursing Practice and Leadership	2	5
NURS 9922 DNP Clinical Immersion Project I Committee Chair	1	1
NURS 9922 DNP Clinical Immersion Project I Committee Chair	1	1
Spring 2011		
NURS 9135 Outcomes Management Health Care	3	8
NURS 3130 Critical Inquiry: Nursing Research: NET	3	30
NURS 6812 Research Practicum I	1	
NURS 6812 Research Practicum II (4 groups)	4 (1 hr/group)	16
NURS 6812 Research Practicum II	1	6
NURS 9921 DNP Clinical Immersion Project I Committee Chair	1	1
NURS 9921 DNP Clinical Immersion Project I Committee Chair	1	1
Comprehensive DNP Essentials Exam Reader		
Comprehensive Graduate Exam Reader		
Fall 2010		
NURS 4352 Nursing Care of Children	5	60
NURS 6140 Theory and Research in Advanced Practice Nursing: NET	4	20
NURS 6812 Research Practicum I (4 groups)	4 (1/group)	16
NURS 6812 Research Practicum I	1	6
NURS 6812 Research Practicum II	1	5
NURS 6812 Research Practicum II	1	5
FYE 1220 Nursing RIG	2	22
NURS 9923 DNP Clinical Immersion Project I Committee Chair	1	1
NURS 9923 DNP Clinical Immersion Project I Committee Member	1	1
NURS 9923 DNP Clinical Immersion Project I Committee Member	1	1
Summer 2010		
NURS 9126 Biomedical Ethics In Nursing Practice and Leadership	2	8
NURS 9922 DNP Clinical Immersion Project I Committee Chair	1	1
NURS 9922 DNP Clinical Immersion Project I Committee Member	1	1
NURS 9922 DNP Clinical Immersion Project I Committee Member	1	1

COURSES TAUGHT continued	Credit	Enrollment
Spring 2010		
NURS 4352 Nursing Care of Children	5	54
NURS 3130 Critical Inquiry: Nursing Research: NET	3	30
NURS 6812 Research Practicum I	1	5
NURS 6812 Research Practicum I	1	3
NURS 6812 Research Practicum II	1	5
NURS 6812 Research Practicum II	1	6
NURS 9921 DNP Clinical Immersion Project I Committee Chair	1	1
NURS 9921 DNP Clinical Immersion Project I Committee Member	1	1
NURS 9921 DNP Clinical Immersion Project I Committee Member	1	1
Comprehensive Graduate Exam Reader (Chair or member 4 committees)		
Fall 2009		
NURS 4352 Nursing Care of Children	5	55
NURS 6140 Theory and Research in Advanced Practice Nursing: NET	4	14
NURS 6140 Theory and Research in Advanced Practice Nursing: WEB	4	18
NURS 6812 Research Practicum I	1	5
NURS 6812 Research Practicum I	1	6
NURS 6812 Research Practicum II	1	2
NURS 6812 Research Practicum II	1	2
Spring 2009		
NURS 4135 Nursing Care of Children: Health Promotion V	3	55
NURS 4325 Child Health Promotion: Practicum	2	55
NURS 3130 Critical Inquiry: Nursing Research: NET	3	30
NURS 6812 Research Practicum I	1	2
NURS 6812 Research Practicum I	1	3
NURS 6812 Research Practicum II	1	3
Comprehensive Graduate Exam Reader (Chair or member 3 committees)		
Fall 2008		
NURS 4135 Nursing Care of Children: Health Promotion V	3	48
NURS 4325 Child Health Promotion: Practicum	2	48
NURS 6140 Theory and Research in Advanced Practice Nursing: NET	4	14
NURS 6140 Theory and Research in Advanced Practice Nursing: WEB	4	18
NURS 6812 Research Practicum I	1	3
NURS 6812 Research Practicum II	1	5
Spring 2008		
NURS 4135 Nursing Care of Children: Health Promotion V	3	49
NURS 4325 Child Health Promotion: Practicum	2	49
NURS 3130 Critical Inquiry: Nursing Research: NET	3	13
NURS 4728 Nursing Leadership Preceptorship: Practicum VIII	2	9
NURS 6812 Research Practicum I	1	5
NURS 6812 Research Practicum II	1	2
Comprehensive Graduate Exam Reader (Chair or member 3 committees)		
Fall 2007		
NURS 4135 Nursing Care of Children: Health Promotion V	3	49
NURS 4325 Child Health Promotion: Practicum	2	49
NURS 6140 Theory and Research in Advanced Practice Nursing: NET	4	15
NURS 6140 Theory and Research in Advanced Practice Nursing: WEB	4	16

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	Credit	Enrollment
Spring 2007		
NURS 4135 Nursing Care of Children: Health Promotion V	3	52
NURS 4325 Child Health Promotion: Practicum	4	19
NURS 4229 Health Promotion: Critical Analysis of Nursing Concepts	2	34
NURS 4138 Nursing Leadership and Management	3	39
Comprehensive Graduate Exam Reader (member 2 committees)		
Fall 2006		
NURS 4135 Nursing Care of Children: Health Promotion V	3	49
NURS 4325 Child Health Promotion: Practicum	4	18
NURS 4229 Health Promotion: Critical Analysis of Nursing Concepts	2	36
NURS 4138 Nursing Leadership and Management	3	40
NURS 6812 Research Practicum II	1	1
Spring 2006		
NURS 4135 Nursing Care of Children: Health Promotion V	3	43
NURS 4325 Child Health Promotion: Practicum	4	20
NURS 4229 Health Promotion: Critical Analysis of Nursing Concepts	2	39
6811 Research Practicum I	1	2
6812 Research Practicum II	1	3
4890 Independent Study: Nursing Care of Children	1	1
Comprehensive Graduate Exam Reader (member 2 committees)		
Fall 2005		
NURS 4135 Nursing Care of Children: Health Promotion V	3	38
NURS 4325 Child Health Promotion: Practicum V	4	19
NURS 4229 Health Promotion: Critical Analysis of Nursing Concepts	2	36
6811 Research Practicum I	1	3
Spring 2005		
NURS 4135 Nursing Care of Children: Health Promotion V	3	41
NURS 4325 Child Health Promotion: Practicum	4	20
NURS 4229 Health Promotion: Critical Analysis of Nursing Concepts	2	37
4890 Independent Study: Nursing Care of Children	1	1
Fall 2004		
NURS 4135 Nursing Care of Children: Health Promotion V	3	39
NURS 4325 Child Health Promotion: Practicum	4	19
NURS 4229 Health Promotion: Critical Analysis of Nursing Concepts	2	40
6811 Research Practicum I	1	4
4890 Independent Study: Nursing Care of Children	1	1

ADVISEMENT

Fall 2006	18 students	Spring 2007	17 students	Fall 2007	19 students	Spring 2008	18 students
Fall 2008	23 students	Spring 2009	19 students	Fall 2009	23 students	Spring 2010	22 students
Fall 2010	23 students	Spring 2011	15 students	Fall 2011			

TEACHING AWARDS AND TEACHING GRANTS

2009	GSU Submitted Faculty Development Summer Grant – not awarded
2008	GSU. College of Health and Human Sciences Teaching Award
2008	Nominated for GSU Excellence in Teaching Award
2005, 2007	GSU Awarded Faculty Development Summer Grant
2005	GSU Awarded Faculty Development Travel Grant
2005	AACN (American Association of Colleges of Nursing) End-of-Life Nursing Education Consortium for Graduate Education Grant, for 3 day intensive training, Pasadena, CA.

