

**Dean's Message.** I am very excited to join SVSU as the new Dean for the Crystal M. Lange College of Health and Human Services. The past few months have been filled with many different emotions saying good-bye to friends and colleagues at UNLV. Letting go is always hard. I will cherish those memories. New beginnings are all around and I choose to embrace them rather than fear them. I knew when I came to SVSU I was coming to a place that was special, but I didn't realize how special until I got here. Everyone on campus has been so gracious. The faculty, staff, and students of HHS are amazing. Health care workers currently face challenges that are more intense than ever before. Even with all that COVID has thrown at them, the faculty, staff, and students continue to excel. I applaud their resilience and I dedicate this newsletter to their accomplishments over the past 18 months to 2 years. In this unprecedented reality, we also witness the beginnings of a dramatic '*Resolve, Resilience, and Return,*' with progress toward *Reimagining* how to engage and collaborate with colleagues in a Post-COVID world. While there are many unknowns about the full implications of COVID-19, one thing is clear...we are in a generation defining moment from which a significantly different world will emerge. To highlight the accomplishments of HHS, I have attempted to gather information from the past 2 years. If I missed an important event, award, or celebration, please forgive me. Let me know and I will include that in the next newsletter. Here's to a great 2022.

## SAVE THE DATES: COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES

- ✓ **DECEMBER 2021 GRADUATION CEREMONY.** This year, graduation will look different. Instead of 2 ceremonies, SVSU will be hosting 3 separate in-person ceremonies. HHS ceremony will be held at the Ryder Center on Friday, December 17, 2021 at 4:00PM. In addition to celebrating the graduates of 2021, SVSU has extended the celebration to those graduates from 2020 who were unable to attend an in-person graduation last December. This ceremony will be held on Saturday, December 18, 2021 at 11:00AM.
- ✓ **DECEMBER HHS GRADUATE RECOGNITION AND HOODING CEREMONY.** This is scheduled to be held at the Ryder Center at 8:30am-10:00am on Friday, December 17, 2021. Doors open at 8:00am.
- ✓ **DECEMBER HHS NURSING SYMPOSIUM.** This is scheduled to be held at the Ryder Center at 6:00pm to 8:00pm on Thursday, December 16, 2021. Doors will open at 5:00pm. There is also a run through from 9:00am to 11:00am.

We are thrilled to be able to hold in-person ceremonies this year. We look forward to seeing you there to celebrate with all of our graduates, past and present.



## SAVE THE DATE: CELEBRATE the SEASON with HHS

**Happy  
Holidays**

**Join us in our holiday celebration.**

**Where: College of HHS Lobby**

**When Thursday, December 2, 2021**

**Time: 12:00PM to 1:30PM**

**Highlighting the HHS Door decorating Contest**



## BATTLE OF THE VALLEYS (Sept 26-Oct 2, 2021)

The Battle of the Valleys kicked off with a 5K run on Sunday, September 26, 2021. The student-run fundraiser raised money for the Children's Grief Center of the Great Lakes Bay Region.

The battle kicked off with a 5K color run/walk and will culminate with the presentation of a check to the Children's Grief Center during the SVSU-GVSU football game on Saturday, Oct. 2.

On Tuesday, September 28, 2021, Dean Ditmyer was initiated into the SVSU culture by participating in the "Pie the Professor." Even Provost Huntley started it off by throwing the first pie.



While Grand Valley won the football game at the end of the Battle, however SVSU was the winner of the BOV charity contest raising over \$31,000 for their benefactor.

Since 2003, the SVSU Student Association has donated more than \$464,000 to Great Lakes Bay Region nonprofits. Great job!



# HOMECOMING – OCTOBER 16, 2021

Homecoming is especially a great time to be a Cardinal. It's that special time of year when current students and alumni come together to show their Red Pride. HHS was the proud college sponsor for this year's homecoming event. The Cardinals claimed third straight Axe Bowl with win over Northwood (31-13).

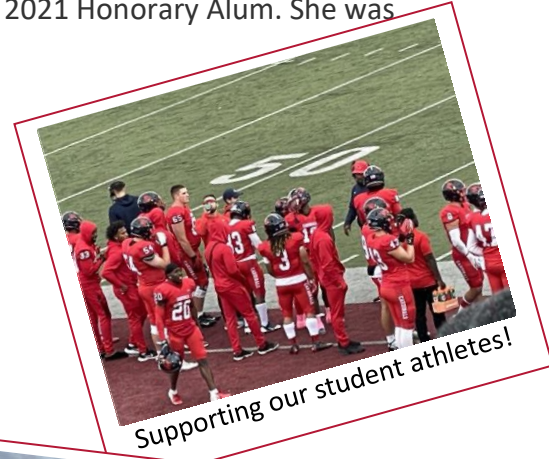
HHS faculty and staff were invited to welcome alumni during the Alumni Tailgate event. We were excited to note that our very own Dr. Kathleen Schachman was the 2021 Honorary Alum. She was honored in pregame activities and during ½ times.



Enjoying time during Alumni Tailgate!



Kathleen Schachman received Honorary Alumni of Year Award. Congratulations!



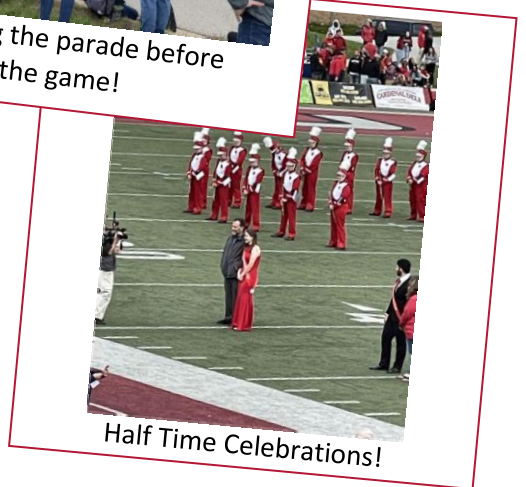
Supporting our student athletes!



Enjoying the parade before the game!

HHS was proud to show their support for the more than 160 students from HHS that are represented in the following activities.

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| ✓ Band             | ✓ Softball           |
| ✓ Baseball         | ✓ Swimming & Diving  |
| ✓ Cheer            | ✓ Track & Field      |
| ✓ Dance            | ✓ Women's Basketball |
| ✓ Football         | ✓ Women's Golf       |
| ✓ Men's Basketball | ✓ Women's Soccer     |
| ✓ Men's Golf       | ✓ Women's Tennis     |
| ✓ Men's Soccer     | ✓ Women's Volleyball |



Half Time Celebrations!

We were also able to promote some of the accomplishments of the college with 4 media timeouts during each break. These included our Interprofessional education activities, community learning and outreach activities, our community partners, and our simulation center activities.

## FALL OPEN HOUSE – OCTOBER 23, 2021

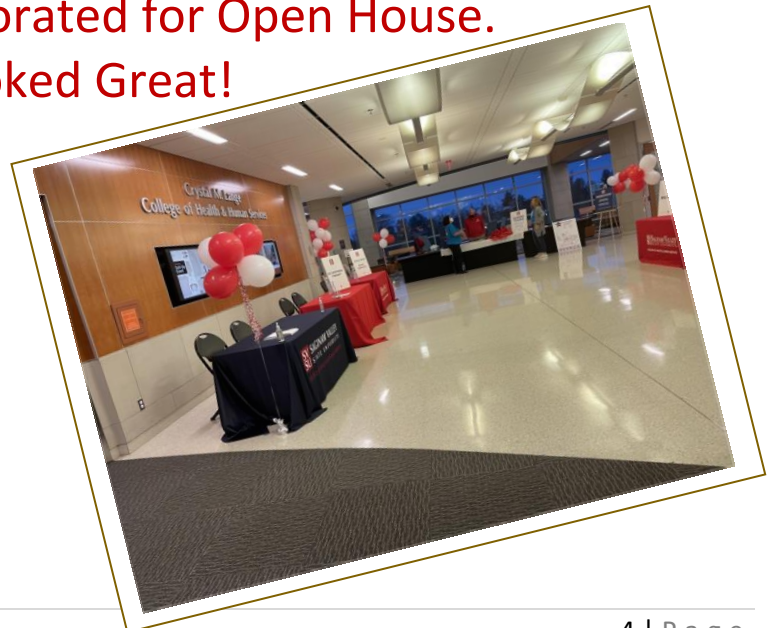


Fall open house was on October 23, 2021 from 9:00AM to 1:00PM. Thanks to all faculty, staff, and students who volunteered to help out!

HHS hosted 100 prospective students and their families. We are proud to have our faculty, staff and students ready to answer questions about our programs.



HHS Lobby decorated for Open House.  
Looked Great!





# 1<sup>st</sup> Annual HHS Halloween Bash – OCTOBER 28, 2021

HHS sponsored their 1<sup>st</sup> annual Halloween Bash on Thursday, October 28, 2021 from 4pm to 6pm. Along with good food and spirits was a best costume contest. Thanks to the Deans of the other colleges as judges, the following were names 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners.

- ✓ 1<sup>st</sup> place winner of two tickets to the Mannheim Steamroller Christmas at the Dow Event Center in Saginaw was: Beth Swiercz, Fieldwork Coordinator, Dept. of Kinesiology
- ✓ 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner of \$100 gift card: Vanessa Brooks Herd, Associate Professor, Department of Social Work
- ✓ 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner of \$50 gift card was: Marilyn Skrocki, Professor, Dept. of Health Sciences

A warm thank you for all those that helped pull this together to make this an amazing and memorable Halloween for all of us.



## Faculty Highlights



Dr. Elizabeth Roe is Professor of Nursing. She teaches in both the undergraduate and graduate programs. She has served as a volunteer Victim's Advocate for the Saginaw County Sheriff's Department for the past 12 years. As an advocate, Beth accompanies law enforcement officers to deliver death notifications for deaths due to accidents, suicides, and other sudden causes. Her role is to provide short-term support for the victims until familiar support is available (usually family). She received the "Victim's Advocate of the Year" award from the Michigan Sheriff's Association Spring 2021. Beth what a great impact to the community. Congratulations!



Dr. Marilyn Skrocki is professor of Health Sciences. As a licensed attorney, Marilyn Skrocki is a member of the Michigan Bar Association and holds membership in the Health Law Section of the Michigan State Bar Association. She is the program coordinator for the Master of Science Health Administration and Leadership: Executive Cohort. Marilyn was the recently the guest speaker at the Saginaw County Medical Society. Her topic was entitled "*Future of Physician Leadership: Regionally and Nationally.*" Congratulation Marilyn, job well done!



Meghan Baruth, Health Sciences was selected for the 2020 Earl L. Warrick Award for Excellence in Research. The Earl Warrick Award is given annually to an SVSU faculty member who has made a significant and/or longstanding contribution to the advancement of knowledge in a recognized field of scholarship or artistic endeavor.



Rebecca Schlaff, Health Sciences (2021) were selected for the Earl L. Warrick Award for Excellence in Research. The Earl Warrick Award is given annually to an SVSU faculty member who has made a significant and/or longstanding contribution to the advancement of knowledge in a recognized field of scholarship or artistic endeavor.



Ellen Herlache-Pretzer, Registered Occupational Therapist, achieved her Certificate Professional Dog Trainer-Knowledge Assessed (CPDT-KA) from the Council for Professional Dog Trainers in 2019. When asked about the OT program, Ellen stated, “the SVSU Occupational Therapy program encourages a hands-on approach to learning. Students are continuously challenged to use critical-thinking skills to evaluate the effectiveness of their work with clients in a variety of settings and develop creative solutions to address problems encountered in the field.”



George Heron, Social Work (2020) was selected for the Mary H. Anderson Adjunct Faculty Award. This endowment was established by Andrew F. Anderson in honor of his wife, Mary H. Anderson, who was an adjunct faculty member of SVSU. The purpose of the endowment is to provide funds for the Mary H. Anderson Adjunct Faculty Award. George passed away on July 18, 2020 shortly after receiving this award. He was a former and longtime executive director of United Way of Bay County. George is the father of Michael Heron, Associate Professor of Social Work.



## Student Highlights



*"Along the way, I learned that SVSU faculty members and student leaders on campus want nothing more than for you to succeed," Laila Boggan*

Student nurse Laila Boggan participating in one of the nursing simulation sessions. Laila Boggan is an N1 direct admit. She is highly motivated and enthusiastic. Laila chose to study nursing at SVSU because of all the opportunities and resources available to students.

Laila received two scholarships from SVSU: Founders Scholarship and Thompson Scholarship. She is one of SVSU Freshman Nursing Direct Admit students which means that her spot within the nursing program was reserved and waiting for her. She was a member of the Cardinal Food Pantry and FORTE and served as a volunteer and events coordinator on the Executive Board of the Organization of Black Unity.



*"My favorite memory at SVSU was moving into the dorms my freshman year. It was such a bittersweet moment for me that I will always remember." ~Kathy Perez*

SVSU graduating senior Kathy Perez is a Detroit native and challenged herself to help people see beyond negative stereotypes too often associated with too many populations in the United States.

As a student program coordinator in SVSU's Office of Multicultural Student Affairs, Kathy took on this challenge when she organized a Lowrider Display event as part of SVSU's Hispanic Heritage Month celebrations in 2019.

Kathy remains proud of the awareness she helped raise at an event that celebrated the lowrider culture that was part of her upbringing.





*"My plan is to become a neurologist working with veterans who have experienced traumatic brain injury," Cooley said.*

SVSU student Joanna Cooley knows what it is like to go to bed hungry. And she knows the lasting toll childhood hunger can take. Her research into childhood food insecurity — and her plan to combat hunger in her community — took Cooley, virtually, to the Global Student Leadership Conference in London and earned her the top prize in the "BIG IDEAS" pitch competition at the conference with her presentation, titled *"Child Food Insecurities in Developed Countries,"* The conference, presented by FIE, the Foundation for International Education, was held in London April 10 and 11.

More than 550 students, university staff, faculty and professionals registered for the conference. Cooley was one of six individuals to present at the conference and one of three students in the final IDEAS competition.



*"Kaitlyn was really adamant to not just limit her understanding to textbook knowledge, so she sought lots of experience to help her grow and just explore more about the needs of such communities," said Heidi Lang, SVSU pre-health professions advisor.*

*"Lauren's most notable experience with was with Great Lakes Bay Health centers, specifically volunteering with and shadowing Dr. Joseph Vanfleteren as they provided dental care to the underserved," said Lang.*

Two recent Saginaw Valley State University graduates have been rewarded for their commitment to caring for underserved populations in healthcare. upbringing.

Kaitlyn Bailey, a 2018 health sciences graduate, and Lauren Richardson, a 2021 biochemistry graduate, each received the HRSA (Health Resources & Services Administration) National Health Service Corps Scholarship, which provides full tuition and fees, plus a monthly stipend for living expenses, to students pursuing eligible primary care health professions training. In return, scholars provide primary care health services in areas that have a shortage of primary, dental or mental health care providers for a number of years after graduation.

The HRSA NHSC Scholarship Program is highly competitive. Only 11% of those who applied in 2020 earned awards (251 recipients out of 2,250 eligible applicants).

## SCHOLARSHIPS 2021-2022

We are proud to provide SVSU HHS students with scholarships to help them in completing their studies. Thanks to the generous contributions of our donors, we were able to provide over \$165,000 in scholarships this year. The following students are recipients of these scholarships. CONGRATULATIONS!

Lily	Marquart	Nichole	Devenney	Rachel	Lupini
Molly	Hecox	Shelby	Durbin	Jamie	Markel
Katelyn	Boyd	Maya	Evans	Alexandra	Moore
Martha	Geister	Natalie	Ferguson	Karly	Prankienas
Taylor	Host	Michelle	Ferrell	Madelyn	Romps
Samantha	Derdowski	Naomi	Flores	Samantha	Rozek
Jessica	Weber	Abigail	Garrison	Hailey	Sadler
Brooke	Arntz	Madison	Greene	Alexandra	Schuster
Hannah	Bartos	Molly	Hecox	Alexandra	Senkowski
Ashley	Bodhaine	Kayla	Hernick	Sidney	Shields
Courtney	Bodrie	Madison	Jolin	Micah	Stinson
Laila	Boggan	Jessica	Jones	Alexandra	Swackhamer
Nicole	Bragg	Brooklyn	Kelly	Sidney	Shields
Shelby	Czartoryski	Haley	Kowalski	Micah	Stinson
Lexi	D'Angelo	Madison	Kurtz	Alexandra	Swackhamer
John	DeOpsomer	Kaela	LaDrig	Corrine	Swaffield
Katherine	Tennyson	Hailey	Sadler	Lisa	Ross
Chidi	Unobagha	Emily	Dean	Raven	Wieland
Jaclyn	Vigneaux	Mandy	Savage	Elise	Rechsteiner
Skylar	Walser	Madeline	Pretzer	Courtney	Bodrie
Autumn	Warn	Elizabeth	Trudeau	Jaclyn	Vigneaux
Arianna	Wegienka	Emily	Brown	Karly	Prankienas
Jessica	Wellman	Erica	Loesel	Briana	Cayton
Emily	Panosso	Alyssa	Webb	Jaclyn	Vigneaux
John	DeOpsomer	Madelyne	Jastrzembowski	Savannah	Walker
Erika	VanDerPloeg	Sydney	Ladd	Julie	Gerow
Meah	Luth	Jena	Stevens	Laekyn	Legner
McKayla	Launius	Hailey	Sadler	Disha	Patel
Mia	Wilson	Brooke	Arntz	Grace	Boak
Evan	Geyer	Laila	Boggan	Alyssa	Reed
Cassidy	Trayer	Madison	Greene	Daphne	Hill
Danielle	Bastian	Autumn	Warn	Kylie	Juskevics
Ashley	Bodhaine	Brooklyn	Kelly	Nolan	Manauis
John	DeOpsomer	Alexandra	Moore	Madelyn	Romps

## SCHOLARSHIPS 2021-2022, CONT.

Sidney	Shields	Shelby	Czartoryski	Addison	Sickles
Arianna	Wegienka	Arianna	Wegienka	Leah	Stapleton
Emily	Panosso	Kaela	LaDrig	Nicole	Bragg
Emma	Bell	Todd	Graham	Michelle	Ferrell
Hailey	Sadler	Gabrielle	Bourgeois	Kayla	Hernick
Sarah	Hoffman	Amesha	Banks	Haley	Kowalski
Skylar	Walser	Christina	Geiersbach	Madison	Kurtz
Jessica	Wellman	Jessica	Jones	Alexandra	Swackhamer
Gabrielle	Brandt-Johnson	Charlotte	Kish	Maya	Evans
Naomi	Truslow	Kayla	McCann	Samantha	Rozek
Karly	Twining	Jessica	Pratt	Nichole	Devenney
Mowina	Allen	Megan	Simmons	Lexi	D'Angelo
Nicole	Mahirwe	Magdalyne	Young	Arianna	Wegienka
Jessica	Wellman	Uniquea	Lucas	Katelyn	Ferry
Lorraina	Kelly	Jasmine	Watson		
Martha	Geister	Sara	Ramey		
Sarah	Gilmer	Jayla	Flores		
Micah	Stinson	Kayla	Lewandowski		
Erica	Lehmann	Brianna	Rivert		
Mackenzie	Falls	Megan	VanOchten		
Christian	Bidinger	Ashton	McConkey		
Lilly	Piorkowski	Destiny`	Khang		

## SCHOLARSHIP

### GRANTS (2019-2021)

1. Rebecca Schlaff; Meghan Baruth (Co-PIs), Health Sciences  
2022 Midland County Behavioral Risk Factor Survey; Midland Area Community Foundation  
\$29,425; Start Date 10/1/21.
2. Kathleen Schachman, Nursing  
Core Addiction & Recovery Education for Nurse Practitioners (CARE4NPs); SAMHSA, \$449,985; Start Date 9/60/21.
3. Aricka Schweitzer; Lisa Brewer (Co-PIs), Occupational Therapy  
Toy Lending Library Collaboration; Midland Area Community Foundation \$5,626; Start Date 8/1/21
4. Jeremy Knous, Kinesiology  
Hockey Fans in Training (Hockey FIT); University of Western Ontario/Canadian Institutes Health Research \$2,387; Start Date 5/1/21
5. Rebecca Schlaff; Meghan Baruth (Co-PIs), Health Sciences  
Enhancing Diet and Physical Activity through Group Prenatal Care; Allen Foundation, Midland  
\$123,768; Start Date 1/1/21.
6. Rachel Darr, Kinesiology



Interprofessional Collaboration and Assessment; Midwest Interprofessional Practice, Education, and Research Center (GVSU) \$1,000; Start Date 12/9/20.

7. Jean Prast, OT  
Center for Academic Innovation (CAI) Dow Professor Award. Interprofessional Healthcare Escape Room. Purpose: To promote enhanced skill development in key interprofessional competencies to meet the interprofessional education mission of HHS amongst faculty, staff and students. Prast, J., Herlache-Pretzer, E., Decker, S., Macomber, C. & Frederick, A. \$5,500 awarded.
8. Kathleen Schachman, Nursing  
Integrated Care in Rural Clinics: Preparing Dual-Certified PMHNPs to Respond to Disparities in Mental Health Care and Substance Use Treatment; SAMHSA Funding \$1,500,000; Start Date 8/31/20.
9. Lisa Brewer and Aricka Schweitzer received a *grant from the Midland Community Foundation* to establish a toy lending library collaborative with the Grace A. Dow Memorial Library including specially adapted toys for children with special needs. Midland Daily News press release, Grant received in June 2020 and toy lending library was fully implemented in summer of 2021.
10. Darr, R., Cox, J., Schweitzer, A., Macomber, C., & Prast, J. (September 2020). Midwest Interprofessional Practice, Education, and Research Center (MIPERC) Mini-Grant Recipient (\$1,000). Proposal Submitted: August 15, 2020. Accepted by PI September 16, 2020.
11. Kathleen Schachman, Nursing  
Integrated Care in Rural Clinics: Preparing Dual-Certified PMHNPs to Respond to Disparities in Mental Health Care and Substance Use Treatment; HRSA Funding \$2,799,949; Start Date 7-1-19.

## **FACULTY PUBLICATIONS (2019-2021) \*STUDENT WORK**

### **2021 Publications by Alpha (First Author)**

1. Altman, K., Glumm, S., Stainton, K., Herlache-Pretzer, E., Webster, S., & Winkle, M. (2021). Impacts of mobility dogs on human kinematics during ambulation: A quantitative study. *Veterinary Sciences*, 8(11), 250. <https://doi.org/10.3390/vetsci8110250> (Dept of Occupational Therapy)
2. Battista, R. A., Bouldin, E. D., Pfeiffer, K. A., Pacewicz, C. E., Siegel, S. R., Martin, E. M, True, L., Branta, C. F., Haubenstricker, J. L., & Seefeldt, V. (2021). Childhood physical fitness and performance as predictors of high school sport participation. *Measurement in Physical Education and Exercise Science*, 2021;25(1), 43-52. <https://doi.org/10.1080/1091367X.2020.1865964> (Dept. of Kinesiology)
3. Berry D, Carlson J N, Singletary E, et al. (May 04, 2021) Use of Cryotherapy for Managing Epistaxis in the First Aid Setting: A Scoping Review. *Cureus* 13(5): e14832. doi:10.7759/cureus.14832 (Dept. of Kinesiology)
4. Berry DC, Payne E. Chapter 7: Blood-borne pathogens. In: Kahanov L, Payne E. *Athletic Training and Therapy Foundations of Behavior and Practice*. Human Kinetics; 2021. (Dept. of Kinesiology)
5. Madigan, D. J., Gustafsoon, H., Hill, A. P., Mellano, K. T., Pacewicz, C. E., Raedeke, T. D., & Smith, A. L. (2021). Perspectives on the future of burnout in sport. *Journal of Clinical Sport Psychology*. (Dept. of Kinesiology)
6. Pacewicz, C. E., & Myers, N. D. (2021). Latent growth curve modeling in exercise science. *Measurement in Physical Education and Exercise Science*, 25(1), 53-65. <https://doi.org/10.1080/1091367X.2020.1803331> (Dept. of Kinesiology)

7. Pacewicz, C. E., Hill, C., Lee, S., & Myers, N. D., Prilleltensky, I., McMahon, A., Pfeiffer, K. A., & Brincks, A. M. (2021). Testing measurement invariance in physical education and exercise science: A tutorial using the well-being self-efficacy scale. *Measurement in Physical Education and Exercise Science*. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/1091367X.2021.1964508> (Dept of Kinesiology)
8. Pacewicz, C. E., Pfeiffer, K. A., Nuttall, A. K., Branta, C. F., Haubenstricker, J. L., & Seefeldt, V. (2021). Influence of adiposity and maturation on motor performance in girls from age 8 to 16 years. *Measurement in Physical Education and Exercise Science*, 25(1), 66-77. <https://doi.org/10.1080/1091367X.2020.1802729> (Dept. of Kinesiology)
9. Pacewicz, C. E., & Smith, A. L. (2021). Teammate social interactions, loneliness, and motivational experiences of adolescent athletes. *Journal of Clinical Sport Psychology*. Advanced online publication. <https://doi.org/10.1123/jcsp.2021-0015> (Dept of Kinesiology)
10. Panepucci, S., Gailbraith, A., Thornton, T. M. Roe, E. A. (August 18, 2021). Learning with Laughter: Implementing Engaging Virtual Simulation During the COVID-19 Pandemic. Accepted for publication to the *Clinical in Simulation Nursing*. (Dept of Nursing)
11. Panepucci, S. Roe, E. Galbraith, A. and Thornton, T. (2021). Learning with Laughter: Implementing Engaging Virtual Simulation During the COVID-19 Pandemic. *Clinical Simulation in Nursing*. 000, 1-7. Published online prior to print publication (Depart. of Nursing)
12. Payne E, Berry DC. Chapter 14. Acute Care and Emergency Procedures. In: Kahanov L, Payne E. *Athletic Training and Therapy Foundations of Behavior and Practice*. Human Kinetics; 2021. (Dept of Kinesiology)
13. Porter, M., Winkle, M.Y., & Herlache-Pretzer, E. (2021) Considerations for recommending service dogs versus emotional support animals for veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder. *People and Animals: The International Journal of Research and Practice*, 4(1). <https://docs.lib.purdue.edu/paij/vol4/iss1/4> (Dept of Occupational Therapy)
14. Schweitzer, A., Cox, J. Darr, R., Macomber, C. & Prast, J. Midwestern University Intercollegiate Collaboration: A needs assessment. *Journal of Interprofessional Education & Practice*, 2021. (Dept of Occupational Therapy)
15. Siegel, S. R., True, L. T., Pfeiffer, K. A., Wilson, J. D., Martin, E. M., Branta, C. F., Pacewicz, C. E., & Battista, R. A. (2021). Recalled age at menarche: A follow-up to the Michigan State University Motor Performance Study. *Measurement in Physical Education and Exercise Science*, 25(1), 78-86. <https://doi.org/10.1080/1091367X.2020.1769633> (Dept. of Kinesiology)
16. Thornton, T., Decker, S., Roe, E. (2021). Fear of contagion in first semester nursing students. *Journal of Nursing Education*, 60(7), 404-407. DOI:10.3928/01484834-20210616-09. (Dept. of Nursing)
17. Wang, L., Zhang, L., Roe, E., Decker, S., Marks, K., Whitman, B., Luth, A., Howard, G. (2021) The Perceived Knowledge of Fall Prevention in Nurses Working in Acute Care Hospitals in China and the US. *Journal of Patient Safety*. Published online prior to print publication. doi: 10.1097/PTS.0000000000000873 (Dept. of Nursing)
18. Zapletal, A., Baird, J., Prast, J., Hoppe, M., Van Oss, T. & Herge, E. A. (In press, 2022). *Clinical Simulation for Health Care Professionals*. Thorofare, NJ: Slack, Inc. ISBN 10: 1630917354. ISBN 13: 9781630917357 (Dept of Occupational Therapy)

## 2020 Publications by Alpha (First Author)

1. Bagelmann, K., Craven, B., Gentle, N., McCray, S. Herlache-Pretzer, E., Webster, S. Brown, J.\* (2020). *Impact of an Educational Video on Occupational Therapy Practitioners' Confidence in*

*Their Roles Related to Assessment and Treatment of Chronic Pain and Opioid Usage: A Posttest Only Study* (Dept of Occupational Therapy)

2. Brown, JM, Stav, W. (2020). Servant leadership in Zambia: A quantitative study on increased critical thinking and cultural competency of occupational therapy students. *American Journal of Occupational Therapy*, Vol. 74, 7411505192. <https://doi.org/10.5014/ajot.2020.74S1-PO7028> (Dept of Occupational Therapy)
3. Brown, JM, Stav, W. (2020). International fieldwork: A qualitative analysis of the lived experiences of occupational therapy students in Ecuador. *American Journal of Occupational Therapy*, Vol. 74, 7411505148. <https://doi.org/10.5014/ajot.2020.74S1-PO4025> (Dept of Occupational Therapy)
4. Decker, S., Roe, E., Frederick, A., Du, Y., & Wang, B. (virtual live sessions January to June, 2021). International academic practice partnership: U.S. and China. *Championing Quality and Safety through Academic Practice Partnership, 2020 QSEN International Forum*, Philadelphia, PA (Dept. of Nursing)
5. DeLellis, N., Mitchell, M., Frederick, A. and Schachman, K. (2020). Factors affecting medication assisted treatment success for opioid use disorder. *European Journal of Public Health, Volume 30, Issue Supplement\_5*, September 2020, ckaa166.1199. [Interprofessional]
6. Frederick, A., & Fabbro, M. (Accepted 2021, September for 2022, January). Escape room simulation during pandemic: Teamwork and infection prevention. *22nd International Meeting on Simulation in Healthcare (IMSH 2022)*, Los Angeles, CA. (Dept. of Nursing)
7. Herlache-Pretzer, E. (2020). Shell game. In A. Johnson, M. Winkle, L. Kogan, J. Link, M. Porter, & P. Yam (Eds.), *Alternatives to traditional animal-assisted interventions: Expanding our toolkit* (p. 94-96). Human-Animal Interaction Section and Animal-Assisted Intervention International (Dept of Occupational Therapy)
8. Prast, J., Decker, S., Frederick, A., Macomber, C., Herlache-Pretzer, E.; May, 2020. Center for Academic Innovation – Dow Professor Grant for Healthcare Escape Room Simulation, to enhance interprofessional education among students in different healthcare disciplines [interprofessional]
9. Winkle, M., Herlache-Pretzer, E., Ni, K., & Jones, A. (2020). Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs): Assistance Dogs. American Occupational Therapy Association. Retrieved from <https://www.aota.org/Practice/Rehabilitation-Disability/service-animal-assisted-therapy/FAQ/Assistance-Dogs.aspx> (Dept of Occupational Therapy)

## **2019 Publications by Alpha (First Author)**

1. Brewer, L. (2019, December). *Community-Based Screening and Referrals for Autism*. The Journal of Occupational Therapy, Schools and Early Intervention. <https://doi.org/10.1080/19411243.2019.1700472> (Dept of Occupational Therapy)
2. Rider BC, Conger SA, \*Ditzenberger GL, \*Besteman SS, \*Bouret CM, Coughlin AM. Examining the Accuracy of the Polar A360 Monitor. *J Strength & Cond Res* 2019; 2021; 35(8): 2165-9 (Dept. of Kinesiology)
3. Rider BC, Coughlin AM, Carlson C, Hew-Butler T. Exertional (Exercise-induced) rhabdomyolysis. *ACSM's Health & Fitness Journal* 2019; 23(3): p 16-20. (Dept of Kinesiology)
4. Roe, E., Galbraith, A., Boudiab, L. and Johnson, B. (2019). The use of Veteran-centric simulations in a nursing program. *Clinical Simulation in Nursing*, 37, 44-49. (Dept. of Nursing)



## **FACULTY PEER REVIEW PRESENTATIONS (2019-2021) BY ALPHA ORDER**

1. Baird, J., Van Oss, T., Zapletal, A., Prast, J., & Hoppe, M. Student Perceptions of Learning: Comparing Traditional to Simulated Clinical Environments [Poster]. The International Society for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning. Perth, Australia. Virtual: October 2021 (Dept of Occupational Therapy)
2. Baird, J., Zapletal, A., Prast, J., Hoppe, M., & Van Oss, T. Assess Performance to Promote Clinical Development [Workshop]. International Meeting on Simulation in Healthcare (IMSH). San Diego, CA: January 2020.
3. Berry DC. (April 2021). Examination of the 2020 International Consensus on First Aid Science with Treatment Recommendations. Invited speaker, Virtual Great Lakes Athletic Trainers' Association Annual Meeting. (Dept. of Kinesiology)
4. Berry DC. (April 2021). Transforming manuscript to publication: tips for success. Invited speaker, National Athletic Trainers' Association Virtual Education Research Series. (Dept. of Kinesiology)
5. Berry DC. (June 2021). Diabetic emergencies: a scientific and practical approach to managing the diabetic athlete in the prehospital setting. Invited speaker, Virtual National Athletic Trainers' Association Annual Meeting. (Dept. of Kinesiology)
6. Berry DC, Carlson, J, Singletary EM, Zideman D, on behalf of the International Liaison Committee on Resuscitation First Aid Task Force. Use of Cryotherapy for Acute Epistaxis in the First Aid Setting Scoping Review and Task Force Insights [Internet] Brussels, Belgium: International Liaison (Dept. of Kinesiology)
7. Burson, R, Decker, S., & Conrad, D. Upscaling Global Partnerships: Transformation in Healthcare Using Fulbright Awards, 39th Annual International Nursing Midwifery Research and Education Conference, February, 2020 26-27, Dublin, Ireland.
8. Cooley, A.& Decker, S. Telehealth Simulation, oral poster, INACSL (June, 2021) (Dept of Nursing)
9. Coughlin AM, BC Rider, S McGregor, A Workman. Body Composition and Anaerobic Fitness Testing during a Complete NCAA III Men's Hockey Season. *ACSM Conference*. San Francisco, CA June, 2020 [accepted, conference cancelled due to COVID] (Dept. of Kinesiology)
10. Coughlin AM. Back to the Future: Incorporating Books into your Classroom. *FESSE Conference*. Charlotte, NC Oct 2019 (Dept. of Kinesiology)
11. Cox, J., Harmer, B., Huffman, Jaime., Hupert, C., Lange, R., & Peruski, D. (2021). Implementing and Evaluating a Virtual Internship During COVID-19. National League for Nursing Summit. (Poster Presentation) (Dept. of Nursing)
12. Cox, J., Harmer, B., Huffman, Jaime., Hupert, C., Lange, R., & Peruski, D. (2021). Implementing and Evaluating a Virtual Internship During COVID-19. *Professional Nurse Educators Group (PNEG) Annual Conference*. (Virtual Podium Presentation)
13. Cox, J. & Hupert, C. (2021). Virtual Psychomotor Skills Teaching During COVID-19. *Sigma Theta Tau 46<sup>th</sup> Biennial Convention*. (Podium Presentation)
14. Cox, J. & Schweitzer, A. MIPERC 2021 Annual Conference. (Submission/Accepted Presented Virtual Poster) "Interprofessional safety simulation for wound management with occupational therapy and nursing students." September 23, 2021. *Poster presentation highlighting collaborative work between nursing and OT on a researcher designed simulation addressing priorities of and wound care collaboration*.
15. Cox, J. & Schweitzer, A. "Interprofessional safety simulation with occupational therapy and nursing students." September 17-18, 2020. *Poster Presentation highlighting collaborative work between*

*nursing and OT on researcher designed simulation addressing safety, fall management, and role delineation between disciplines.*

16. Darr A. R., Prast, J., Cox, J. & Macomber, C. "Intercollegiate Collaboration: A Needs Assessment." September 17-18, 2020. *Poster Presentation showcasing how IPE assessment was created, implemented, shared outcomes, and discussed "next steps"*
17. Decker, Roe, E., Du, Y, Wang, B, & Frederick, A. International Academic Practice Partnership: US and China, oral poster, Quality and Safety Education for Nursing Conference, (January, 2021)
18. Decker, S & Cooley, A. Telehealth Simulation in Early Prelicensure Students, oral poster, 40th Annual International Nursing & Midwifery Research and Education Conference, Dublin, Ireland (February, 2021) (Dept of Nursing)
19. Decker, S., Roe, E., Frederick, A., & Panepucci, S., (2019, June). Analysis of interprofessional simulations across a BSN curriculum. *INACSL Conference 2019*, Phoenix, AZ. (Dept of Nursing)
20. Decker, S., Roe, E., & Frederick, A. (2019, January). Interprofessional experiences across a nursing curriculum: Not a "one and done". *2nd European Conference of Health Workforce Education & Research 2019*, Royal College of Surgeons, Dublin, Ireland. (Dept of Nursing)
21. Decker, S & Stevens, N. What is in a Name: Would a Competency by Any Other Name Look the Same?. *Collaborating Across Borders*, October 20-23, 2019 Indianapolis, IN.
22. Decker, S. Riding the Fourth Wave, MIPERC, September 17-18, 2019 Grand Rapids, MI
23. Decker, S & Innes, J. Comparison of Perceived Team Development in Different Conditions, International Network for Health Workforce Education: European Conference of Health Education and Research, January 9-10, 2019, Dublin Ireland.
24. Dube, A., & Herlache-Pretzer, E. Working like dogs: The role of dogs in the rehabilitation of veterans with disabilities. *Paralyzed Veterans of America Healthcare Summit + Expo*. Orlando, FL: August 2019. (Dept of Occupational Therapy)
25. Frederick, A., Prast, J., Herlache-Pretzer E., Decker, S., & Markel, C., (2019, September). The positive impact of an interprofessional education program for health profession students. *MIPERC Conference*, Gd. Rapids, MI. [interprofessional]
26. Frederick, A., Prast, J., Herlache-Pretzer, E. The positive impact of an interprofessional education program for health profession students. *Midwest Interprofessional Practice, Education, and Research Conference*. Grand Rapids, MI: September 2019. [interprofessional]
27. Fredrick, A., Prast, J, Herlache-Pretzer, E and Decker, S. The Positive Impact of an Interprofessional Education Program for Health Profession Students *Collaborating Across Borders*, October 20-23, 2019, Indianapolis, IN.
28. Herlache-Pretzer, E., Prast, J., Langley, E., Morley, J., & Rozek, K. Student and novice practitioners' perspectives of implementing occupation-based interventions: A qualitative descriptive study [Poster]. *American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference and Expo*. New Orleans, LA: April 2019. (Dept of Occupational Therapy)
29. Herlache-Pretzer, E. Ease Cushion Podcast: Assistance dogs. April 2021; Accessible via <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iZ6b9tjLKz0> (podcast)
30. Herlache-Pretzer, E. Research in animal-assisted interventions. *Oakland University. Animal Assisted Intervention Certificate Program*. Rochester, MI: September 2020.
31. Herlache-Pretzer, E., & Winkle, M. AAI Online: Development of a course for university faculty and students [Poster]. *International Association of Human-Animal Interaction Organizations 15<sup>th</sup> Triennial Conference*. Brewster, NY: April 2019. (Dept of Occupational Therapy)

32. Herlache-Pretzer, E. Working like Dogs: An introduction to animal-assisted interventions. Pi Theta Epsilon Occupational Therapy Honor Society. University Center, MI: January 2019. (Dept of Occupational Therapy)
33. Hoffman J. Oral Presenter (peer reviewed selection): 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Professional Nurse Educators Group (PNEG) Conference. Clinicals in the Time of COVID, Virtual Conference. October 2021 (Dept of Nursing)
34. Hoffman J. Oral Presenter (peer reviewed selection): Reducing Hospital Acquired Clostridioides Difficile C-Diff. Nexus Summit, Virtual Conference, Sept 2021 (Dept of Nursing)
35. Hoffman J. Poster Presenter (peer reviewed selection): National League for Nursing Education Summit: *Clinicals in the Time of COVID*, Washington DC. June 2020 (Dept of Nursing)
36. Hoffman J. Poster Presenter (peer reviewed selection): Nursing Education Research Conference: *Transforming Nursing Education: Using Clinical Peer Mentoring to Improve Clinical Reasoning*, Washington D.C. March 2020 (Dept of Nursing)
37. Hoffman J. Oral Presenter (peer reviewed selection): Sigma Theta Tau International Region 10 Biennial Conference: *Clinical Reasoning: A Clinical Intervention to Increasing Clinical Reasoning Among First Semester Nursing Students*, Ann Arbor, MI. March 2020 (Dept of Nursing)
38. Hoffman J. Panel Expert Oral Presenter (peer reviewed selection): 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Transcultural Nursing Society: *The Culture of the Dying Veteran: The Lived Experience of Hope at the End of Life*. Richmond, VA. October 2019 (Dept of Nursing)
39. Hoffman J. Oral Presenter (peer reviewed selection): 46<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference on Professional Nursing Education and Development: *Teaching Nursing Students to Think: A Clinical Intervention to Increase Clinical Reasoning*, Cleveland, OH October 2019 (Dept of Nursing)
40. Hoppe, M., Prast, J., Van Oss, T., Baird, J., Herge, A. & Zapletal, E. A. Innovative Learning with Interprofessional Teams through Simulation [Poster]. American Occupational Therapy Association annual conference. New Orleans, LA: April 2019. (Dept of Occupational Therapy)
41. Hupert, C. (2021). An End of Life Simulation: Assumption Analysis. *National League for Nursing Summit*. (Poster Presentation) (Dept of Nursing)
42. Prast, J., Frederick, A., Macomber, C., Darr, R., Schweitzer, A., & Cox, J., (2020, September). Educational transitions: Virtual and hybrid models. *MIPERC Virtual Conference*. [interprofessional]
43. Prast, J., Hoppe, M., Zapletal, A., Herge, E. A., Baird, J. & Van Oss, T. Innovative Strategies to Integrate Standardized Patients into Occupational Therapy Curriculum [Institute]. American Occupational Therapy Association annual conference. New Orleans, LA: April 2019. (Dept of Occupational Therapy)
44. Rider, SA Conger, CA Serkaian, C Stuve, AM Pollard-McGrandy, V Smith-Hale, AM Coughlin. Examining the Accuracy of Two Commercially Available Heart Rate Monitors in a Diverse Population. *MWACSM Conference*. Oak Brook, IL Nov 8, 2019 (Dept. of Kinesiology)
45. Rowley, T.W., Cho, C., Swartz, A.M., Greenleaf, C., Cho, Y., Strath, S.J. "HIT the Ground Walking": A Pilot Study Examining High Intensity Interval Walking in Older Adults. American College of Sports Medicine. Annual Meeting, June 2021. Virtual Presentation. (Dept. of Kinesiology)
46. VanOss, T., Prast, J., Zapletal, A., Hoppe, M. & Baird, J. Simulation vs. Clinical Sites: Methods to Teach Communication [Presentation]. Association of Caribbean Occupational Therapy 15th Biennial Scientific Conference 2021. Hosted by Cayman Islands. Virtual Attendance: October 2021 (Occupational Therapy)



47. Van Oss, T., Prast, J., Hoppe, M., Zapletal, A., & Baird, J. Facilitating development of future reflective practitioners through simulation and experiential learning [Poster]. American Occupational Therapy Association Education Summit. Fort Worth, TX: October 2019. (Dept of Occupational Therapy)
48. Van Oss, T., Zapletal, A., Baird, J., Prast, J., & Hoppe, M. Creating the infrastructure for a successful simulation program: A model framework to teach and assess clinical performance skills [Poster]. American Occupational Therapy Association Education Summit. Fort Worth, TX: October 2019. (Dept of Occupational Therapy)
49. Winkle, M., Ni, K., & Herlache-Pretzer, E. Conversations that Matter: Animal-Assisted Interventions. American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference and Expo (2020). Presented in virtual format through AOTA virtual conference series.
50. Zapletal, A, Prast, J., Hoppe, M., VanOss, T., & Baird, J. Using the Clinical Learning Environment Comparison Survey to Assess Learner Preparation. [Research Abstract]. 22nd International Meeting on Simulation in Healthcare. Los Angeles, CA. Scheduled for January 2022 (Dept of Occupational Therapy)
51. Zapletal, A., Baird, J., Van Oss, T., Prast, J. & Hoppe, M. Multi-Site Pilot Study: Simulation Compared to Traditional Clinical Learning Activities [Poster]. American Occupational Therapy Association Education Summit. Virtual: April 2021 (Occupational Therapy)
52. Zapletal, A, Prast, J., Hoppe, M., VanOss, T., & Baird, J. Simulation Compared to Traditional Clinical Learning Activities: Multi-Site Pilot Data [Platform]. American Occupational Therapy Association Education Summit. Virtual: October 2020 (Occupational Therapy)
53. Zapletal, A., Hoppe, M., VanOss, T., Baird, J., & Prast, J. Virtual Teaching: Remote Learning Best Practices for Health Profession Education [Poster]. American Occupational Therapy Association Education Summit. Virtual: October 2020.
54. Zapletal, A., Fulmer, V., Hoppe, M., Prast, J., Van Oss, T., & Baird, J. Standardized Patients: Recruiting, Screening, and Training [Workshop]. International Meeting on Simulation in Healthcare (IMSH). San Diego, CA: January 2020.
55. Zapletal, A., Hoppe, M., Prast, J., Herge, E. A., Baird, J. & Van Oss, T. Simulation Encounters: Innovative Learning with Interprofessional Teams [Silent Disco]. 19th International Meeting on Simulation in Healthcare (IMSH). San Antonio, TX: January 2019. [interprofessional]

## **STUDENT PRESENTATIONS**

### **\*STUDENT WORK \*\*STUDENT ADVISEE; \*\*\*AWARDED GRANT)**

1. \*AM Pollard-McGrandy, K Weisz, BC Rider, AM Coughlin, T Hew-Butler. Salty and Sweaty: Unexpected Relationships between Sodium and Bone. *ACSM Conference*. San Francisco, CA June, 2020 [accepted, conference cancelled due to COVID] (Dept. of Kinesiology)
2. \*AM Pollard-McGrandy, K Weisz, BC Rider, AM Coughlin, T Hew-Butler. Acute changes in Sweat NaCl and Bone Mineral Density Following 45-minutes of Treadmill Running. *ACSM Conference*. San Francisco, CA June, 2020 [accepted, conference cancelled due to COVID] (Dept. of Kinesiology)
3. \*\*OM Dean, AM Pollard-McGrandy, BC Rider, AM Coughlin. The Effects of Home versus Away Travel on Urine Specific Gravity in NCAA DII Volleyball Athletes. *ACSM Conference*. San Francisco, CA June, 2020 [accepted, conference cancelled due to COVID] (Dept. of Kinesiology)
4. \*HJ Ludviksen, S Decker, AM Coughlin. Anxiety in Nursing Students during Simulation and Clinical Experience. *SVSU Nursing Symposium*. University Center, MI Dec 12, 2019 (Dept. of Kinesiology)

5. \*HJ Ludviksen, S Decker, AM Coughlin. Anxiety in Nursing Students during Simulation and Clinical Experience. *SVSU Honors Presentation*. University Center, MI Nov 15, 2019 (Dept. of Kinesiology)
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9. \*AM Pollard-McGrandy, K Weisz, BC Rider, AM Coughlin, T Hew-Butler. Salty and Sweaty: Unexpected Relationships between Sodium and Bone. *MIACSM Conference*. Gaylord, MI Feb 2019 [accepted, conference cancelled due to weather] (Dept. of Kinesiology)
10. \*\*OM Dean, AM Pollard-McGrandy, BC Rider, AM Coughlin. The Effects of Home versus Away Travel on Urine Specific Gravity in NCAA DII Volleyball Athletes. *MIACSM Conference*. Gaylord, MI Feb 2019 [accepted, conference cancelled due to weather] (Dept. of Kinesiology)

#### **STUDENT PROJECTS**

1. Dr. Marissa Palmer, presented on behalf by Jaime Huffman, RN. PhD, Reducing Hospital Acquired Clostridioides Difficile (C-Diff). Presented at the Nexus Summit 2021 (September – October). National Center for Interprofessional Practice and Education. Dr. Palmer graduated from DNP program in August 2021.
2. Dr. Patick Beasley. Quality Improvement Project to Enhance Mobility in Open-Heart Surgery Patients to Improve Patient and Organizational Outcomes in a Mid-Michigan Hospital. Dr. Beasley graduated from the DNP program in August 2021.

#### **CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECTS**

1. Lincoln, M. A team of nine students and four faculty and staff from the Kinesiology Department are conducting their first exercise training study in several years entitled "Effects of a supervised neuromuscular training program on performance- and injury risk- related outcomes among recreational runners."
2. Roe E, Thornton T, Smith B. Currently conducting a research study identifying needs of survivors of suicide in collaboration with the Barb Smith Suicide Resource Network. Data collection is completed, and they are currently completing the data analyses.

## Students Learn to Better Understand their Colleagues' Roles through Mega-Simulation

On Sept 28, 2021 and October 1, 2021, HHS held the mega simulation with over 450 students from Occupational Therapy, Nursing, Athletic Training, Social Work, Exercise Science attending.

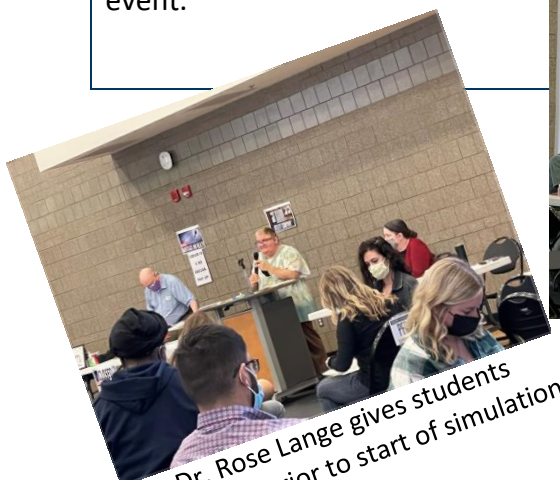
Faculty and staff volunteered with facilitating the small groups sessions.

Thank you to the Mega Sim Fall 2021 Coordinating Committee  
Michael Heron, Associate Professor of Social Work  
Cathy Macomber, Associate Professor of Social Work  
Jean Prast, Associate Professor Occupational of Therapy

## Promoting Poverty Awareness and Transforming Perspectives: Students Gain insight in Poverty Simulation

In many areas of our community, individuals are dealing with the day to day stresses of poverty. These stresses have a direct effect on their overall well-being. The poverty simulation is a virtual simulation in which you will experience first-hand what it is like to live in poverty for one month. It moves people to examine the realities of poverty and how communities can address the problem.

In 15 minutes, students find out that you can go from having a home to becoming homeless, or from being homeless to visiting social services, pawning items at the local pawn shop, to paying back rent and getting their home back. The situations draw on national statistics and broad circumstances. The poverty simulation is designed to help participants understand what it might be like to live in a typical low-income family. Volunteers from the community represent services and resources available in the community. Poverty simulation was held on Oct 22, 2021. This semester's event was a great success. Thanks to all the volunteers and Dr. Rose Lange, Associate Professor of Nursing, for organizing the event.



Dr. Rose Lange gives students directions prior to start of simulation



Volunteers are ready to work with students during the simulation



Students grouped by family preparing for start of simulation



## N-5 Nursing Emergency Disaster Table-Top Simulation

On Friday October 29, 2021, the N-5 nursing students participated in the Emergency Disaster Simulation. This activity provides students with an exercise that allows them to use skills like critical thinking, communication, coordination, and interprofessional collaboration in the form of a simulated disaster that happens on the SVSU campus. This table-top activity was facilitated by faculty and staff from SVSU and volunteers from the community which represented areas of the hospital, a med-express, and two disaster scenes. Cari Hillman, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator from the Saginaw County Department of Public Health was present offering insight and examples while working with a group of students at the Incident Command Center table. This fast-moving interactive morning allowed students to demonstrate their critical thinking and reasoning skills to meet specific needs of various situations during a disaster. The students did a great job! Thank you to all the facilitators who made this activity a success.

**Disaster Scene:** Emily Hribek and Tyler Rivet

**Incident Command Center:** Marcia Ditmyer,  
Cari Hillman Saginaw County Department of Public Health,  
and Debbie Gibson.

**Emergency Department:** Sue Sheridan

**Urgent Care:** Danielle Premo

**PACU:** McKenna Benson

**Med-Surg 1:** Mindy Fabbro

**Med-Surg 2:** Jennifer Scott

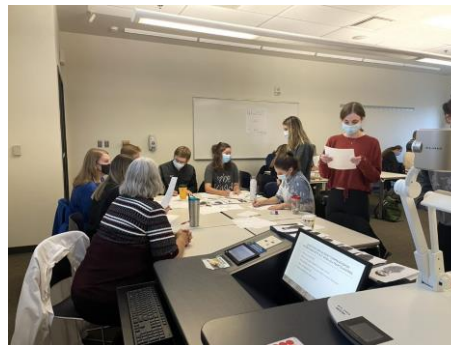
**ICU:** Brooke Metiva

**Lab/Discharge Station:**

Andrea Frederick



When the power goes out –  
cell phones come in handy  
during a disaster.



Students learn how 'Incident  
Command' works during a simulated  
disaster.



Each team has their role and must work together,  
especially during a disaster



Dr. Fredricks debriefs with students  
during the simulation session

## Anderson-Lange Endowment Fund Nursing Workshop

The nursing department, with funding from the Anderson-Lange Endowment Fund, hosted Dr. Bonnie Pilon, Professor Emerita at Vanderbilt University, here on October 30th. Dr. Pilon presented a continuing education program on "Interprofessional Practice" for graduate nursing students, faculty, and area nurses. Following the presentation, Dr. Pilon provided guidance and feedback to DNP students (and their advisors) who presented their developing DNP projects. Dr. Pilon has been instrumental in guiding and mentoring DNP Nurse Leaders in VUSN's DNP program, including our own Dr. Cynthia Hupert. Below is a list of the students who presented their research topics. These students are at various stages of their projects, from the very beginning developing a research question to near completion.

- Paul Drenth, Topic: "Improving Advanced Care Planning in Primary Care." Paul plans to complete his DNP degree in the winter 2022.
- Rhonda Burks, Topic: "Guided Self Reflection to Increase Student Resilience." Rhonda plans to complete her DNP degree in winter 2022.
- Joyce Reder, Topic: "Improving HPV Vaccination Rates." Joyce plans to complete her DNP degree in the winter 2022.
- Robert Beyerlein, Topic: "Preoperative Assessment for Apnea." Robert plans to complete his DNP degree in the winter 2022.
- Teri Hill, Topic: "Increasing Nurse Resilience." Teri plans to complete her DNP degree in the winter 2022.
- Rachel Carlton, Topic: Reducing pressure Injury Risk Through assessment." Rachel plans to complete her DNP degree in winter 2023.
- Ashley Howe, Topic: "Reducing Food Insecurity." Ashley plans to complete her DNP degree in winter 2024.
- Mariah Rubenacker, Topic: "Reducing Death Anxiety." Mariah plans to complete her DNP degree in winter 2026.

We wish all the students the best as they work to complete their research project.

## Profiles in Leadership for Women's History Month 2021



**When asked...what is her hope for the next generation of women and girls?**

*"My hope for others is to always let your passion shine through, know that there is always light in darkness, believe in yourself, and know that you are wonderful and beautiful with so much to offer." ~ Norma Jimenez*

Norma Jimenez was highlighted in Profiles in Leadership for Women's History Month 2021. Norma has been accepted into the fall 2021 cohort of the SVSU Leadership Development Program. The SVSU Leadership Development Program is designed for Administrative Professionals, Faculty and Support Staff newly appointed to leadership/supervisory positions and others seeking leadership development within the University. The program is based upon the *Core Capabilities of Effective Leaders* with the foundation of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DE&I) concepts and principles. A series of four (4) sessions will be held covering each competency topic through presentations, discussion, exercises, development plans and assignments. This program is an opportunity for current and emerging leaders at SVSU to explore, expand and deepen their personal and professional leadership skills and understanding. The Program provides a safe, open environment for personal growth and exploration. Congratulations Norma!

## ABC Story on Nursing Shortage



Dr. Karen Brown-Fackler was highlighted in a news story on ABC Channel 12 on Sept 28, 2021. SVSU was the "lead" institution in the story. Karen is currently the chair of the nursing department and has been a registered nurse since 1976. Karen served as President of our local chapter of American Nurses Association-Michigan and Board Treasurer for Theta Chi, our local chapter of Sigma Theta Tau.

Below is the link to the story.

<https://www.abc12.com/2021/09/29/mid-michigan-nursing-students-faculty-trying-stay-positive-through-covid-19-pandemic/>



We appreciate her taking the time to meet with the media on this topic. We also extend appreciation to one of our nursing students, Elaine Anderson, who was also featured, as well. She did a very fine job representing our students and why they make such outstanding professionals.

## Honors Program Thesis Presentation Day

The Honors Program pushes students to rise above the competition by researching, writing and defending a dissertation reflective of those found at the graduate level. As seniors, students develop this project alongside a scholarly faculty adviser to learn more about their chosen field or to explore their designated field from a different perspective.

This year, SVSU's Interdisciplinary Honors students will be presenting their thesis, which is a culmination of their years of research and study. Nursing student Madelene Cifurulak will be presenting her thesis, 'A comparison of evidence-based medicine and traditional Chinese medicine and related health behaviors'. Madelene's advisor is Dr. Elizabeth Roe. Madelene's presentation will be November 12, 2021 in Science Each 224 at 9:00am.

Congratulations!



## Student Town Hall Meetings with the Dean



*"I think that town hall forums allow for respectful discourse that allows me to hear a variety of perspectives, connect with students, and learn more about the nitty-gritty issues occurring with students." ~ Marcia Ditmyer*

In an effort to let students get to know the new dean, Marcia Ditmyer scheduled 2 virtual town hall meetings this semester. These were open to all students from the college. Students are invited to ask questions, provide feedback, or simply just get to know one another and Dean Ditmyer. While these were held virtually this semester, Dean Ditmyer is planning to hold them face-to-face once it is safe to do so, hopefully in the Winter Semester.

What to look for...an email from Dean Ditmyer with an invitation of the dates and times. There will be a way to register so that there can be a count of how many are expected. Virtually, there was no limit, but there may be a limit of how many can register for each session when they are face-to-face in the Winter Semester.

A shout out to the students who took advantage of asking questions and talking to Dean Ditmyer (and virtually meet her two dogs, Liebchen and Gretchen).

Beginning in the Winter Semester, Dean Ditmyer will be scheduling "Coffee with the Dean" series. The intention is to create an open forum for faculty and staff to engage in conversations.



## HHS CARDINAL CHANGES



Jeremy Knous named Interim Department Chair for the Department of Health Sciences as Christine Noller transitions from the position. We thank Christine for her service.



It is always sad to see someone move on from our family. However, retirement is such a wonderful moment in someone's life, especially those that have given so much to the institution and career. It is time for them to embark on a new adventure. We at HHS wish the best for Kay Castillo who is retiring as of December 31, 2021. Kay has been with SVSU since 2010. In that time, she has developed the Medical Laboratory Science (MLS) program. Our graduates exhibit a well above national average board certification pass rate and are extremely marketable in the growing health care industry and are making a difference in both the Great Lakes Bay region's robust medical science industry, and far beyond. We contribute the success of the program to Kay's work and dedication to the program. Thank you, Kay, and enjoy your retirement in comfort — you deserve it!

### Final note from Dean Ditmyer

This issue attempted to capture honors, awards, events, and other activities that occurred since the COVID-19 pandemic. While every attempt was to gather everything, there are likely important events, activities, honors that may have been missed. Is so, please forward them to the Dean's Office to be included in the next edition of the Newsletter in January 2022.

Following pandemics is the heart and soul of an epidemiologist. I know that the pandemic has highlighted the need to challenge our assumptions and understanding about disease. As the COVID-19 pandemic shifts from a pandemic to an endemic disease, we need to continue to be vigilant and follow the protocols that are in place, as difficult as that is. While COVID-19 will likely continue to be present, it will become more manageable. As we continue to monitor the situation, please make sure you continue to read your notifications and respond accordingly.

As we approach the holidays where we express thanks and appreciation, I have so much to be thankful for. The opportunity for me to move back to Michigan to be closer to my family. In addition, to have the occasion to be able to join the SVSU family in a college that includes faculty, staff and students who work extremely hard, and in many ways, improve the field of healthcare. I would like to express my sincere appreciation to our faculty, staff, and students as it is your incredible work and commitment to excellence that has continued to make SVSU HHS a success. Your dedication and hard work continue to inspire me every day.

