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Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Years	Institution/ Location	Degree/Field of Study
2022 – 2024	Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights, KY	MSN, Nursing Education
2020 – 2022	University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY	RN to BSN, Nursing
2017 – 2019	Bluegrass Community and Technical College, Lexington, KY	ADN, Nursing
2001 – 2003	University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH	AAS, Veterinary Technology
1997 – 2001	Wright State University, Dayton, OH	BS, Biology

LICENSURES AND CERTIFICATIONS

2019 - Present	Nurse Registration, KY, 1163090, Kentucky Board of Nursing
Active	Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS)
Active	Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)
Active	Basic Life Support (BLS)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Academic

January 2026 – Present

University of Kentucky HealthCare
College of Nursing, Clinical Learning and Simulation Center
Lexington, KY

Simulation Instructor

- Facilitate high-fidelity simulation experiences for undergraduate nursing students
- Support clinical skill development, critical thinking, and clinical judgment through simulation-based education
- Participate in scenario preparation, simulation delivery, and structured debriefing
- Collaborate with faculty and simulation staff to align learning activities with course objectives and accreditation standards
- Assist with student evaluation and feedback related to simulation performance

Clinical / Other

January 2025 – Present

University of Kentucky HealthCare, Lexington, KY

Nurse Navigator – Gastroenterology / Inflammatory Bowel Disease

- Coordinate comprehensive care across the IBD continuum
- Provide patient education, emotional support, and care navigation
- Facilitate interdisciplinary communication and support clinical research initiatives

January 2022 – January 2025

University of Kentucky HealthCare, Lexington, KY

Registered Nurse – Interventional Radiology

- Delivered pre- and post-procedural nursing care
- Performed advanced IV access, arterial and central line care
- Administered medications and monitored complex patients

January 2021 – January 2022

University of Kentucky HealthCare, Lexington, KY

Registered Nurse – Gill Infusion Center

- Administered complex infusions with close patient monitoring
- Provided patient education and ensured safe transitions of care

January 2020 – December 2020

University of Kentucky HealthCare, Markey Cancer Center

Registered Nurse – Women’s Care Unit

- Delivered postoperative and oncology nursing care
- Participated in Magnet program initiatives as departmental representative

Veterinary Clinical Leadership Experience

April 2015 – August 2017

MedVet Medical & Cancer Centers for Pets, Lexington, KY

Surgical Team Leader

- Led surgical operations in a high-volume specialty hospital
- Managed staff scheduling, training, and interdisciplinary coordination

December 2011 – November 2014

Bluegrass Veterinary Specialists, Lexington, KY

Head Surgical Technician

- Directed surgical team operations and anesthesia protocols
- Developed procedures to improve workflow efficiency and outcomes

June 2003 – November 2011

The Animal Medical Center, New York, NY

Veterinary Technician

- Worked across multiple specialties in a large academic teaching hospital
- Provided advanced technical procedures and peer education

TEACHING AND MENTORSHIP EXPERIENCE

Nurse Preceptor, University of Kentucky HealthCare

- Precepted new graduate nurses and travel RNs
- Clinical areas: Medical-Surgical, Infusion, and Interventional Radiology

Nursing Student Tutoring

- Work with both pre nursing and nursing students.

Onboarding Educator, The Animal Medical Center, New York, NY

- Educated incoming veterinary technicians and veterinarians
- Supported clinical competency development in a teaching hospital environment

Department Educator and Committee Member, UK HealthCare

- Supported unit-based education and interdisciplinary training initiatives

HONORS AND AWARDS

2022: Daisy Award Nominee

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing

American Nurses Association

SERVICE

University / Health System/Community

Equity Ambassador	University of Kentucky
Magnet Department Representative	Markey Cancer Center, Women's Care Unit
WildCARE Crew	Departmental Committee Member
Volunteer	Local and workplace community events

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