

# ROSS AND CAROL NESE COLLEGE OF NURSING

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## Resources

### Academic Advising

All students are assigned an academic faculty adviser and a graduate adviser once admitted to the program. The University Park/World Campus Academic Advising office is located in 203 Nursing Sciences Building and can be reached by calling (814)-863-2211 or emailing [nursgrad@psu.edu](mailto:nursgrad@psu.edu).

### Diversity and Inclusion Initiatives

The faculty and staff of the College of Nursing value and are committed to fostering diversity in the classroom, the University, and the profession. By respecting differences in culture, age, gender, gender expression, race, ethnicity, national origin, differing abilities, sexual orientation, and religious affiliation, we enrich the learning environment; improve the practice and profession of Nursing; and enhance personal creativity and professional growth.

The College of Nursing's Office for Diversity and Inclusion Initiatives fosters a welcoming and inclusive community while promoting and enhancing the diversity of the College's students, faculty, and staff. We support the College's efforts related to recruitment, retention, development and graduation of underrepresented students in Nursing. The office can be reached at (814) 863-6207.

### Beta Sigma Chapter, Sigma Theta Tau International

Sigma Theta Tau International, today known as Sigma, is the international honor society for nursing. The purposes of Sigma are to recognize superior achievement, recognize the development of leadership qualities, foster high professional standards, encourage creative work, and strengthen commitment to the ideals and purposes of the profession.

The Pennsylvania State University's Beta Sigma Chapter was chartered in 1974. For acceptance of into Beta Sigma Chapter, graduate students must have a 3.5 GPA and demonstrated superior scholastic achievement and potential for professional leadership. Invitations for membership are given out during the year of graduation. The induction ceremony into Sigma is held during the Spring Semester.

MORE INFORMATION (<https://www.sigmanursing.org/advance-elevate/research/research-grants/>)

### Doctoral Student Organizations (DSO)

The purpose of the College of Nursing Doctoral Student Organizations (Ph.D. DSO and D.N.P. DSO) is to support the academic achievement and enhance the academic environment of doctoral students throughout their enrollment at Penn State by providing a forum for collegial support, free exchange of ideas, and discussion of critical issues related to the respective doctoral programs.

All students enrolled in the Ph.D. or D.N.P. program are members of the respective DSO. There are no financial obligations related to membership. Each DSO is facilitated by one College of Nursing graduate faculty member and led by doctoral students. Meetings, held four times during the academic year, are scheduled and directed by student leaders.

### Center for Nursing Research

The Center for Nursing Research provides faculty and graduate students with consulting services on quantitative and analytic approaches, assistance with grant proposal, mock grant reviews, and proposal submissions.

MORE INFORMATION (<https://www.nursing.psu.edu/center-for-nursing-research/>)

### Study Abroad

Graduate student opportunities for international experiences are varied and are planned collaboratively with other units in the University. International experiences also can be arranged through Global Penn State.

MORE INFORMATION (<https://www.nursing.psu.edu/study-abroad/>)