RN to BS Online is Launched!

Eileen Stephens, RN to BS Program Director, is excited to celebrate the launch of the first Online RN to BS degree completion program. The RN to BS Online Organizational Week began Monday, January 20, 2014 with 9 learners. Anticipated graduation date for this group will be May 2015! Presently, the RN to BS land program has enjoyed a 100% program retention rate when including learners who complete degree requirements within one additional program semester.

Please contact P. Eileen Stephens, MS RN at 405-717-6202 or estephens@snu.edu if you would like additional information about this exciting new SNU program!

MODULE 1- NURS 3903
Professional Concepts in Nursing
Selected concepts in nursing are explored. The theoretical foundations of nursing are discussed. Critical components of effective communication and critical thinking are emphasized. Expanded use of nursing process is examined.

MODULE 2- PSY 3413
Personal & Professional Development
This course examines adult learning theory and various learning styles. The course provides a model that is used to analyze life experience.

MODULE 3- NURS 4903
Health Assessment and Promotion across the Lifespan
This course provides the comprehensive knowledge base for health assessment skills in performing system and region specific examinations of infants, children, adults, and older adults. Documentation and interpretation of findings are discussed along with health promotion opportunities.

MODULE 4- REL 3413
Biblical Perspectives in Western Culture
This course provides study of the Bible as a foundation to an understanding of Western culture and history. The course also explores the relevance of the Bible to modern day life.

MODULE 5- NURS 4934
Gerontologic, Chronic Disease and Disability Care
Best practices in gerontologic and chronic nursing care are the focus of this course. Also, care of individuals with various disabilities living in a variety of settings is examined. Clinical time will be spent where geriatric and chronic disease patients are seen. In addition, visits will be made to community settings where individuals living with disabilities reside.

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Campus Writing Assignment Assistance

The School of Professional Studies is offering a four (4) hour session designed to assist students with a current writing assignment. Weekday workshops are from 6-10pm and Saturday workshops are from 9am-1pm. The sessions include editing assistance, formatting tips, and support with using the computer to aid in editing papers. Please contact Rhonda Thorson at rthorson@snu.edu or 491-6611, for reservations. Fall 2014 dates for the Bethany Campus are:

- Thursday, February 6, 2014, Royce Brown 206
- Monday, February 17, 2014, Royce Brown 202
- Saturday, March 8, Royce Brown 205
- Wednesday, March 26, Royce Brown 202
- Wednesday, April 9, Royce Brown 207
- Thursday, April 24, Royce Brown 206

Campus Writing Refresher, APA, & Technology Workshops

The School of Professional Studies will be holding writing and technology workshops for new learners with APA and writing refreshment emphasis. If you are interested as a current learner please contact Dayna Stark at dstark@snu.edu or 491-6319. Please see page 3 for Tulsa Workshop listings.

APA Workshop Dates with Katrina Nguyen:
- Saturday, June 7, 2014
  9am-1pm

Writing Refresher Saturday Workshop with Chris Querry:
- Saturday, May 31, 2014
  9am-1pm

Technology 101: The Basics with Brent Wetwiska:
- Saturday, February 1, 2014
  9am-1pm
- Saturday, May 17, 2014
  9am-1pm
Pass It On: 2014 Start Dates for Professional Studies

**BETHANY CAMPUS**

- Organizational Leadership (Del City): Wednesday, February 5, 2014
- Business Administration: Monday, March 24, 2014
- Organizational Leadership: Monday, March 24, 2014
- Network Management: Monday, March 24, 2014
- Organizational Leadership: Wednesday, May 21, 2014
- Family Studies & Gerontology: Thursday, June 5, 2014
- Business Administration: Wednesday, June 11, 2014
- Organizational Leadership: Monday, June 23, 2014

**ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP - ONLINE**

- Monday, March 24, 2014
- Monday, June 23, 2014

**TULSA CAMPUS**

- Organizational Leadership: Thursday, February 27, 2014
- Family Studies & Gerontology: Tuesday, February 18, 2014
- Business Administration: Monday, April, 7, 2014
- Organizational Leadership: Tuesday, June 17, 2014

**SNU Emergency Notification System**

SNU’s Emergency Notification System (SNU Alert!), is provided through Connect-Ed. This system allows us to send important messages via voice, text, and email to multiple points of contact including phone numbers (cell and land line) and email addresses provided by each participant.

This system is dedicated to situations impacting university operations (such as winter weather that closes campus) or emergency situations where action is required (such as tornado warnings and direct threats to our campus community). It is essential that you clearly indicate your primary campus location when signing-up for SNU Alert! since it is location sensitive when notifications are sent.

If you have not signed up for the SNU Alert! system, we encourage you to do so today. In order to sign-up or to make any adjustments to your contact information for SNU Alert!, go to My.SNU.edu - and click on My Stuff and then select Emergency Notification System (SNU Alert!) to sign-up or make content corrections.

**Tulsa Writing Labs & Technology Workshops**

SNU-Tulsa is offering free writing labs on Saturdays (dates listed below) in room 102 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, for anyone who is needing assistance with writing skills. Technology workshops are offered free for computer technology assistance. Please contact Cheryl Serna at cserna@snu.edu or 918-970-4633 for reservations. Reservations are required to be able to attend.

**Writing Lab Saturday Dates:**

- All are 10am to 12pm
  - February 8th, 2014
  - February 22nd, 2014
  - March 8th, 2014

**Technology Workshop Dates:**

- All are 8am to 10am
  - February 22, 2014
  - March 29, 2014
  - April 26, 2014
New SNU Bethany Campus Director of Safety and Security Office Phone Number and Reminders

Glen Holcomb, SNU Director of Safety and Security, has a new office phone number. It is 405-491-6385. If he is not in his office, it will roll over to SNU dispatch after four (4) rings and the SNU on duty dispatcher may answer the phone. The dispatcher can either take a message, assist you, or transfer you to his cell phone. If they do transfer your call and Mr. Holcomb doesn’t answer, please leave a voice-mail message so he will know to call you back.

Remember, if you have an emergency, or need immediate assistance from security, please call dispatch at 491-6309 or call 911 if you need Police or Fire response. Please be aware that if you call 911, you will have to specify your exact location because the 911 system only shows our main campus address on 39th expressway, not any specific building on the Bethany campus.

University Tobacco Policy

The possession and/or use of tobacco products or any product intended to mimic tobacco products in any form including cigarettes, electronic/vapor cigarettes, cigars and cigarillos, hookah-smoked products, pipes, oral tobacco and nasal tobacco, as well as, contain flavorings/tobacco flavorings or deliver nicotine are not permitted on or off campus. Also, the displaying of tobacco paraphernalia is prohibited. Individuals who are found in violation of the University Lifestyle Policy and Standards of Conduct face disciplinary actions including fines, community service, or suspension from the University. Exceptions to this policy can be made for students who have entered into a plan for cessation in partnership with the Office of Student Development, studentdevelopment@snu.edu.

SNU-Tulsa Testing Center

In addition to the College Level Exam Program (CLEP), SNU-Tulsa now has 38 Dantes Subject Standardized Test (DSST) exams available in our Testing Center. Both CLEP and DSST exams are recommended for credit by American Council on Education (ACE).

The SNU-Tulsa Testing Center has been open since February, 2013 and currently administers an average of three tests per week. This is a valuable service for learners entering one of our degree programs, learners meeting graduation requirements, and for the surrounding community.

Instructor News!

• Mike Meeks is now the Lead Pastor at Henryetta, OK, First Church of the Nazarene!
• Jim Martin has a new job as Vice President of Finance & Operations at CMI Roadbuilding Inc, Oklahoma City
• Congratulations to Trent Pettigrew on his recently updated and expanded book, Liar - Lie Detection Made Easy. His book contains specific techniques, methods, and tools designed to assist the reader in discerning the truth in all types of settings. You may purchase a copy of his book through Amazon.com.

PGS Chaplaincy

If you have any personal concerns and prayer requests or would like to send condolences to families that have recently lost loved ones please e-mail your chaplain, Dr. Koshy Muthalaly at koshy@snu.edu.

New Printers for Professional and Graduate Studies

Southern Nazarene University is still in the process of installing a new printer service for all buildings on the main campus and Tulsa Campus. This change will involve installation of new printers and will require new identification cards in order to operate. It is anticipated that this new system will enhance the printing capabilities for all learners, staff, and faculty.

During the installation and transition on the Bethany Campus, printing will not be available before class until further notice. Please be sure that any copies needed for class are printed prior to class time. In the next few weeks, you will receive a new identification card and instructions on how and when to use the new system.

Notification will be given as the School of Professional Studies receives more information concerning the installation of the printers.

Please feel free to contact Leslie Purdhomme at lprudhom@snu.edu if you have any questions. Tulsa Campus learners and faculty will receive notification prior to the new printing service transition.
Disability Services

If you need assistance with a learning, physical, or psychological disability that may affect your academic progress, we encourage you to contact Disability Services. This includes hospitalization that prevents class attendance or module completion with possible long-term implications.

Mission
The mission of Disability Services is to provide and coordinate support services that enable students with disabilities to receive equal access to all aspects of university life.

Disability Services
Learning Resource Center Suite 311
Open 8AM to 4PM, Monday - Friday

For more information and assistance contact:
ACE Disability Services
Tabitha Pope
tpope@snu.edu
(405) 717-6272
(405) 717-6286 Fax

Announcement from Southern Nazarene University on LinkedIn

The SNU Alumni Group @ LinkedIn is steadily growing.

Curtis Johnson, Owner
Southern Nazarene University Alumni @ LinkedIn.com

Submit Prayer Requests - SNU Alumni Prayer Team

Do you have a prayer need? Are you hurting? Is there something in your life that is a challenge?

We are so happy to announce that beginning Tuesday, September 3rd - we will have a small Alumni team of prayer warriors who will begin meeting to pray over needs submitted via our new, confidential online prayer forum.

You may submit your confidential requests at: www.snu.edu/pray

Our team will meet each week to pray over the submitted requests as well as over-arching requests for the university.
We believe in the power of prayer and recognize there are moments in all of our lives when we need to know someone is calling out our name before God. We hope you will find this a helpful and encouraging support network!

Blessings,
Kendra Thomson
Executive Director of Alumni Relations
Financial Aid Tips

Loans:
- A FAFSA should be completed after you file taxes each year. This ensures that a new FAFSA will be available for Financial Aid in case it is needed and also takes away the stress of wondering if you need to complete one. The FAFSA is applicable for July-June of the school year. Make sure to use the DRT (Data Retrieval Tool) for accurate processing.
- It is good idea to complete a FAFSA just in case an unforeseen incident occurs and you are no longer able to make monthly payments or receive employer reimbursement. FAFSA is not just for loans, but the financial aid counselor is also able to see if you qualify for Pell Grant as well.
- If you receive funding for your education that will be sent to SNU, Financial Aid will need to be notified in order for your financial aid to be adjusted to fit the budget guidelines. Failure to do this may cause you to be over awarded for that year and an out of pocket expense can occur.
- Once you are aware that there will be a change in your educational plan; either you need to withdraw or switch to another group, Financial Aid must be contacted as soon as possible to discuss the implications this change may cause. Failure to do so may cause you to have an out of pocket expense. Such expenses can prevent you from re-entering until the account is brought to positive status.
- When awarded funds you are given the max amount of loans. Once loans are awarded you cannot receive additional funding due to personal need.

Disbursements/Refunds:
- Refunds are disbursed after attendance has been verified for your second module of each new semester. Once attendance has been verified, the following Tuesday of that week loans are added to your account and any refund that you will receive will be available to you the following Friday after 1 p.m.

Payments:
- If you have elected to make payments, please contact the Business Office 405-717-6232 if you are unable to make the payments as promised.

Communication is Key!!! Helpful Numbers:

Wakita Oliver (Assistant Dir of Financial Aid) 405-491-6666
Darla Tompkins (Assistant Dir of Business Office) 405-717-6232
Connie Miller (Undergraduate Financial Aid Counselor) 405-717-6204
Tiffanie Sanchez (Graduate Financial Aid Counselor) 405-491-6685
Chrissi Lyles (Business Office) 405-491-6349

Communication - the human connection - is the key to personal and career success.

-Paul J. Meyer
Introducing the Wesleyan-Holiness Digital Library: A Short Story by Katie King

Almost two years ago, I received an invitation from Nazarene headquarters to come and chat with other Library Directors about the feasibility of creating a digital library for the denomination. I wish I could tell you that I foresaw what was going to come out of that meeting, but I honestly thought, “Oh dear. This is probably going to be boring and may or may not be useful.” I decided to attend the meeting out of a desire to be participatory, and I’m so glad I did. What I found was a group of passionate and competent people who wanted to come together to creatively solve a global Nazarene problem: a lack of pastoral, training, and scholarly resources. For three days, we spent our time together laying the foundation and casting the vision for what is the Wesleyan-Holiness Digital Library (WHDL), and it officially went live on May 30, 2013!

So, what is the WHDL? It’s a liberal-arts library that provides free, open-access online resources in multiple languages to support scholarship, research, ministerial development, and lifelong learning in the Wesleyan-Holiness tradition. So what does that actually mean? First, most everything in the WHDL is free and is easily accessible from the internet in an easily-downloadable format. The site itself is available in the top 5 most populous Nazarene languages, and individual resources are available in as many languages in which we have them. The material currently in the WHDL focuses on Course of Study content (ministerial training and preparation coursework offered by the Nazarene denomination) since the initial funds for the WHDL came from the Books for Pastors Taskforce (their mission is to get pastors the books and other resources they need to continue learning), but we are also adding secondary sources, archival material, current publications, scholarship, etc. Soon, the WHDL will also feature SNU-specific contributions, including some of the excellent work you do as students!

I’m really excited about this work because it’s cooperative, interesting, and challenging, and it benefits SNU, but I’m most excited about what the WHDL means for the global church. For example, pastors in Fiji have a problem with books lasting over time due to Fiji’s high humidity levels. Well, last winter, pastors in Fiji received the WHDL downloaded onto tablets! Humidity problem solved. Another example: this radically changes how we resource missionaries and laypeople in creative-access countries. Rather than smuggling Bibles and other books in a few at a time, a person can now smuggle copies of the entire WHDL in on flash drives. Awesome! Final example: our sister universities sometimes don’t have enough money to buy resources to support the teaching and learning on their campuses, so professors lecture from their own knowledge, and students go without textbooks. Enter the WHDL, where we will be uploading material (for which we have copyright permissions) so professors and students can teach and learn in a more dynamic and better resourced way!

One of my esteemed colleagues, Lon Dagley (Computer Services Librarian at MidAmerica Nazarene University), said that this project is a game-changer for our time much like the Gutenberg press was for the 15th century (and the centuries that have followed), and he’s right. In the same way as the Gutenberg press made the communication of ideas via the printed word widely available (and changed societal structure), so the WHDL (and the foundational technologies that support it) is making Wesleyan-Holiness resources instantly available regardless of geography and, eventually, language. I’m grateful to be a part of a team that’s moving the Nazarene church and other Wesleyan-Holiness denominations forward into the 21st century and I’m excited to see how the SNU campus will support our work!
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MODULE 6- NURS 4945
Community Health Nursing
Concepts of health maintenance are studied focusing on the family throughout the life span, as well as exploring the role of nursing in promoting health in the local community, state, national and international arenas. The nursing process is applied to family and community health including the identification of epidemiology and population needs for planning healthcare programs. The clinical portions will include working with a family and larger, multicultural populations.

MODULE 7- STAT 3423
Data Analysis Methods
This course provides a survey and application of the basic data analysis methods used in the process of evaluation, including a study of both descriptive and inferential statistical methods.

MODULE 8- NURS 4923
Nursing Research
The scientific method of problem solving and theory development is explored through nursing research. Knowledge of the research process and critical thinking are expanded by critiques of nursing research articles. Emphasis is given to research utilization in practice.

MODULE 9- NURS 4955
Nursing Leadership
This course will focus on the concepts of leadership and management as they relate to nursing practice, nursing service, and the delivery of health care. Organization and role theories will be analyzed, as well as examining general principles of economics at work in the American system. The application, implications and ethical ramifications of these principles for the American healthcare system will also be discussed. Opportunity to apply the concepts is the focus of the clinical component.

MODULE 10- NURS 4964
Bioethical and Legal Issues in Nursing
Growing and thriving as a professional nurse in a dynamic and changing health care field is examined. Considered are the roles of theories in nursing as a basis for practice, bioethics, the political and legal areas and issues that concern the nursing profession now and in the future.

Campus Library Improvements – Group Study Rooms! By Katie King, Library Director

The December break was a really exciting time for the SNU Library – we installed 5 new group study rooms on the first floor, south side! These rooms all have brand-new whiteboards as well as multiple outlets for your devices. We’ve ordered new furniture for them which should be installed a week or so before Spring Break, and we hope these new rooms will make the Library a more hospitable and welcoming place for you to be!

We in the Library could not have made these group study rooms happen without the help of other people, including Ron Lester, Bruce Alfson, Randy Luinstra, Richard Stipes, and Cody Bowen from Facilities Management, as well as Dennis Williams, Dean of the College of Teaching and Learning, and Scott Strawn, Vice-President of Business and Finance. If you see these people around, please help us thank them!

Learner Success Notes!

- Congratulations! Jonathan Lentz (OL 261) is now an Executive Team Leader at Target!
- Doug Evans (BA 26) (MBA 117) is the Accounting Services Developer for the City of Oklahoma City!
- Trish Meyers (FSG 50) (MSCP 33) provides psychotherapeutic services at The Mosaic Center, Renew Counseling Center, and Deaconess at Bethany!
- Azure (LaMons) Herrera (FSG 62) is a Community Resource Specialist with Heartline 211!
- Chase Raymond, (OL 214), began his doctoral studies January 2014 with Northeastern University in the Doctor of Education program!
  
  In his recent email he stated, "I start my doctoral studies this January and it reminds me that SNU was the cornerstone and inspiration of all my education efforts and for that, I am forever grateful. The SNU OL program with its leadership, curriculum, and instructors provide an excellent foundation for anyone having a desire to further their education."
- Hoai Nguyen, (OL 286), was accepted to Physician Assistant school!
- Lindsay Poe (FSG 49) (MATM 37) is now Psychotherapist - Candidacy at Oak Tree Counseling Services.
- Jeanne Martin (FSG 31) is a Case Manager at Baptist Village Communities.
Special Announcement for all Del City Learners!

Please be advised that Del City Wi-fi Trouble Shooting Instructions have been posted in the Del City Classroom on the instructor’s podium at the front of the class. If you have technology questions or need assistance before 6:00 PM, please contact Deborah at 491-6331. All technology questions or assistance after 6:00 PM may be directed to Mark at 491-6525.

Katrina Nguyen (491-6330: knguyen@snu.edu) Pam McCoy (491-6667: pmccoy@snu.edu) Rhonda Thorson (491-6611: rthorsan@snu.edu) Eileen Stephens (717-6202: estephen@snu.edu) Cheryl Serna (Tulsa Technology Specialist: 918-970-4633: cserna@snu.edu) Academic Advisors: Grade issues for undergraduate students, and Life Learning Papers. Assists with graduation activities and degree completion questions. Processes re-enrollment, withdrawals and LOAs.

Deborah Ballantine: Technology Needs (491-6331: dballant@snu.edu) Provides support for technology questions and information, supplies technical equipment, maintains Moodle, tech support for on-line information, and data management.

Leslie Prudhomme: Faculty & Academic Needs (491-6680: lprudhom@snu.edu) Faculty teaching assignments and schedules, class materials and supplies, distributes textbooks for all programs, and adjunct faculty payroll.

Ciara Valdez: Learner Support (491-6316: cvaldez@snu.edu) Handles tracking of attendance, grades, student assignments and Life Learning Papers, updates address changes, class rep handbooks, distributes Bridge books, makes room reservations for meetings and events for Professional Studies.

TBA: Administrative Assistant Nursing (491-6630)

Nicole Gordon: Financial Aid/Student Account Coordinator for Tulsa Campus (918-970-4629: nigordon@snu.edu) Handles all of the Business Office and Financial Aid needs for Tulsa students.

Linda Lauhon: Coordinator of Tulsa Campus Operations (918-970-4625: llauhon@snu.edu)

Corina Holtzhauer: Admissions Counselor Tulsa Nursing (918-470-4628: choltzh@snu.edu)

About Your SNU

Southern Nazarene University’s mission is to transform lives through higher education in Christ-centered community. As a Christian community of scholars, we model the hospitality of grace, the pursuit of truth and the practice of discipleship, all within the Wesleyan-holiness tradition, as we prepare graduates who THINK with clarity, ACT with integrity and SERVE with purpose.

Founded in 1899, Southern Nazarene University is a private, Christian, liberal arts university-a service of the Church of the Nazarene. Located on a 40-acre campus just west of Oklahoma City, SNU grew out of several small colleges committed to training people for service to God and their fellow man. More than 32,000 alumni work and serve throughout the United States and the world.

Have Something to Say?

If you have something you’d like to see appear in our next issue please email Dr. Delilah Joiner at djoiner@snu.edu or Ciara Valdez at cvaldez@mail.snu.edu.