

Faculty Specialties and Major Research/Interest Topics

Name	Education Credentials	Clinical Specialty	Major Research Areas and Interest Topics	Methodological Research Expertise	Current Ongoing Research Projects Students Could Use for a Thesis/Project	Graduate Faculty Status
Peggy Anderson	M.S. – Nursing Administration D.N.P. – Doctor of Nursing Practice	Administration	Healthcare Administration, Nursing Education, Use of Concept Mapping Learning Strategies, Public and Global Health End of life care Survey design		Oncology End-of-Life Care Pediatric End-of-Life Care Emergency End-of-Life Care	
Renea Beckstrand	Ph.D. – Nursing Research M.S. – Nursing Med-Surg, Cardiovascular Clinical Specialist, CCRN Functional – Practitioner	ICU/CCU Critical Care Emergency Nursing Pathophysiology Cardiovascular	Improving Immunization Rates Mailed Survey Research Survey Development Cardiovascular Risk Factors Vitamin D, Magnesium, B12 Critical Care	Quantitative Research SPSS Data Base Qualitative End-of-Life Care Focus Group Research	NICU End-of-Life Care Immunization (with Dr. Luthy) Rural End-of-Life Care Emergency Dept. Design	Yes
Kent Blad	D.N.P. – Doctor of Nursing Practice M.S. – Nursing Family Nurse Practitioner	Family Nurse Practitioner Critical Care Acute Care	Care of the Veteran Patient Veterans Issues Maternal/Children’s, Women’s Health		Critical care issues Care of the Veteran Patient	
Cheryl Corbett	M.S. – Nursing Family Nurse Practitioner	Labor and Delivery Family Nurse Practitioner	Global Health Nursing Education			
Karen de la Cruz	M.S. – Nursing Post-master’s Certificates: Nursing Education AACNP FNP	Acute Care Critical Care	Clinical Nursing Education International/Cultural Nursing Issues		Clinical nursing education International nursing education	
Lacey Eden	MS – Nursing, Family Nurse Practitioner	Pediatrics, Family Nurse Practitioner, Newborn ICU	Childhood Immunizations, Pediatrics	Childhood Immunizations Pediatrics	Childhood Immunizations	
Debra Edmunds	M.S. – Nursing CNE	Women’s Health	Nursing Education		Global Health Disabled Women	
Donna Freeborn	PhD. – Nursing Family Nurse Practitioner Certified Nurse Midwife	Family Nurse Practitioner Certified Nurse Midwife	Disabled Women Maternal-Child Women’s Health Families with chronic conditions	Qualitative	Families of children with disabilities Diabetes research involving families, parents, siblings, and kids with diabetes	Yes
Sondra Heaston	M.S. – Nursing	Emergency Nursing Family Nurse Practitioner	End-of-Life Care in Emergency Departments International Nursing Gerontological Nursing Nursing Education			
Barbara Heise	Ph.D. – Nursing CNE Gerontology/Content Expert M.S. – Nursing	Family Nurse Practitioner Adult Psychiatric /Mental Health Clinical Nurse Specialist Gerontology	Health Services Research Interprofessional collaboration Education (IPE) Quality in long term care Genetic Counseling Breast Cancer Prevention	Quantitative Qualitative	Nursing Student’s first clinical experience with death Interprofessional Education	
Deborah Himes	PhD Nursing Adult Nurse Practitioner	Adult Nurse Practitioner	Women at risk for familial Breast Cancer · Risk Perception/ Understanding · Adherence to Screening Guidelines · Family communication about risk	· Qualitative · Quantitative		
Stacie Hunsaker	M.S. – Nursing CEN, CPEN	Emergency Nursing Simulation Nursing Education	Compassion Fatigue, Burnout and Compassion Satisfaction in Nurses	· Quantitative	Compassion Fatigue, Burnout, and Compassion Satisfaction/Resiliency in Nursing Students/Do health habits of nurses contribute to the development of burnout/compassion fatigue/Teaching health care providers in a foreign country/Simulation Quality Improvement	
Sabrina Jarvis	DNP. – Nursing Family Nurse Practitioner Acute Care Nurse Practitioner	Family Practice Critical Care	Critical Care Acute Care Adult topics	Simulation	Critical Care Issues Radiology Health behaviors, eg e-cigarettes	
James Kohl	DNP – Nursing M.S. – Nursing Critical Care	Critical Care Emergency Nursing Acute Care Nurse Practitioner	Vitamin D Disaster Management			

Jane Lassetter	PhD Nursing M.S. – Nursing Administration	Pediatrics	Impact of Cultural Beliefs and Practices on Health Childhood obesity Nursing Ethics Child self-efficacy related to Healthy eating and activity	Qualitative Descriptive Focused ethnography Quantitative	Pacific Islanders' understanding of food labels comparing Pacific Islanders in Utah and Hawaii. Interventions with PI families to decrease obesity School-based intervention to increase children's understanding of nutrition, activity and staying healthy Tool development on child self-efficacy related to healthy eating and activity	Yes
Karen Lundberg	M.S. – Nursing	Pediatric Nursing	Children's Health Global Nursing Nursing Education Childhood Immunization		Nursing Education Global health of children	
Beth Luthy	D.N.P. – Nursing M.S. – Nursing Family Nurse Practitioner	Family Nurse Practitioner	Immunization Hesitancy Improving Immunization Rates		Childhood Immunizations	Yes
Bret Lyman	PhD - Nursing Education --Doctoral Minors: Applied Statistics & Research Methods Higher Ed. & Student Affairs Leadership MS - Nursing Education	Adult Acute Care Educational Administration	Organizational Learning in Health Systems	Action Research (Learning History) Qualitative (Grounded Theory) Quantitative	Developing & testing a health system learning model for clinical microsystems Analyzing social networks as a factor in health system learning Analyzing large data sets to identify factors related to performance, performance improvement, and performance reliability in inpatient hospital units	
Janelle Macintosh	Ph.D. – Nursing	NBICU	Motherhood Identity Teen Pregnancy Immunizations in NICU	Qualitative Methodologies Narrative Research		Yes
Barbara Mandleco	Ph.D. – Family Sciences Functional – Human Development Emphasis M.N. – Nursing Pediatric MS – Nursing APRN DNP	Child Nursing Family Nursing	Families adapting to a child with a disability/chronic condition Parenting Children's development	Quantitative and Qualitative Research	Stress and Coping in Children Families Adapting to a Child with a Disability/Chronic Condition Parenting	Yes
Linda Mabey		Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing Treatment of Depression, anxiety, bipolar disorder, PTSD	PTSD Treatment Trauma		PTSD	
Kevin McEwan	MS- Nursing	Administration, Leadership, Oncology Services	Frontline Leadership, Shared Governance, Patient Outcomes	Quantitative and Qualitative Research	Role of the Charge Nurse, Skill and Knowledge of Charge Nurses, Shared Governance, Palliative Care	
Katreena Merrill	Ph.D. – Nursing	Administration Clinical Research Pediatrics Infection Control	Quality, patient safety and nursing leadership in acute care settings	Quantitative Advanced Statistics	Quality of Care Patient Safety Interprofessional Education Decreasing health care acquired infections in acute care settings	Yes
Leslie Miles	DNP – Nursing APRN-BC	Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing	Physical & Mental Health Issues	Quantitative	Health Promotion in the Mentally Ill Population Global Health Nursing	
Debbie Mills	M.S. – Nursing Pediatric Clinical Specialist	Pediatrics	Measuring active learning Learning/Teaching Strategies	Descriptive		
Craig Nuttal	MS Nursing BYU	Family Nurse Practitioner & Emergency Medicine	Orthopedics, sports medicine, Autoimmune Disease, Asthma, Allergy, Nurse Practitioner Education, Assessment	Quantitative	Asthma and obesity, cause of asthma, Sports medicine: back pain assessment diagnosis and management, Orthopedic injuries management	
Sheri Palmer	D.N.P. – Doctor of Nursing Practice – Nursing Leadership M.S. – Nursing Administration/Education	International Nursing Med/Surg/ICU Emergency Nursing	Mentors in Nursing, Nursing Education, Cultural competency International Nursing, Public & Global Health, 1. Physical activity, sedentary behavior, obesity, and healthy lifestyles across the lifespan 2. Measurement techniques for physical activity and sedentary behavior 3. Role of technology in health promotion	Quantitative Descriptive Qualitative	Childhood nutrition in Latin American countries Cultural competence of Nursing Students Role of the Nurse Internationally	
Neil Peterson	Ph.D. – Nursing Post-Master's – Adult-Gero Acute Care Nurse Practitioner MSN – Family Nurse Practitioner	Cardiovascular ICU Employee/Occupational Health Urgent Care Family Practice		Quantitative Descriptive Measurement techniques	Numerous and constantly updating--ask for current status	Yes
Ryan Rasmussen	MSN Family Nurse Practitioner	Pediatrics, Emergency medicine, Family practice and hospice	Emergency Medicine, Pediatrics, Orthopedic Injury and Treatment			
Patricia Ravert	Ph.D. – Nursing Functional – Education and Research M.S. – Nursing Administration	Medical-surgical nursing, Leadership, Education in healthcare settings, Nursing Education, Clinical Simulations Lab outcomes	Clinical Simulations Lab, simulation evaluation instruments		Simulation as teaching pedagogy, teaching clinical judgment through simulation, debriefing	Yes

Gaye Ray	M.S. – Family Nurse Practitioner Certificate of Public Health	Family Nurse Practitioner	Environmental Influences on health Public Health teaching techniques Public Health interventions.			
Shelly Reed	DNP – Nursing MSN-Pediatric Nurse Practitioner BS-Family Nurse Practitioner	Family Nurse Practitioner OB Emergency Services Pediatric Nurse Practitioner	Simulation/teaching methods International Women's Health Issues	Scale development/Quantitative	Teaching methods, including simulation & debriefing Meaning of childbirth to Tongan women	
Michael Thomas	MS – Nursing APRN PMHNP-BC	Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner	Nursing Education; Peer Teaching/TeamSTEPPS Mental Health Promotion		Compassion Fatigue/Resiliency Among Nursing Students Student Attitudes Towards Teamwork- TeamSTEPPS	
Ron Ulberg	M.S. – Nursing CCRN	Coronary Care/Telemetry Intensive Care	Coronary Care/Telemetry Intensive Care Veteran Health Issues	Care of the Veteran Patient		
Julie Valentine	M.S. – Nursing	Adult Med/Surg Pediatrics Forensic Nursing	Forensics Underserved Populations		Joint research project starting with Utah Crime Lab on forensics data	Yes
Karen Whitt	Ph.D – Nursing M.S. Nursing Administration Post Masters certificate in Nursing Education. Ph.D. – Clinical Research Functional – Research	Labor and Delivery, Newborn Nursery, Maternal/Child Health, Urgent Care	Genetics, Vitamin D, Nursing Informatics, Nursing Education, Osteoporosis, Osteoarthritis, Nutritional studies	Quantitative and Qualitative Research, Statistics, SPSS, and SAS statistical software, Longitudinal studies, survey development		
Mary Williams	Ph.D. – Clinical Research Functional – Research M.S. – Nursing Cardiovascular Functional – Physiological nursing		Family response to heart transplantation Instrument development Outcomes of international experiences	Quantitative/Qualitative Methodological designs	Instrument development and review	Yes
Debra Wing	M.S.N. – Ed Nursing	Emergency, Public Health Clinical Simulation/Lab Nursing Education	Simulation Global Health Nursing Education Public Health Care of older adults	Qualitative		
Blaine Winters	DNP – Doctor of Nursing Practice	Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Trauma Medical/Surgical Nursing	Teaching nursing Trauma related issues Clinical Simulation			