

EMORY NURSING



Award and Honors

Awards:

Brenda Baker received the Virginia Commonwealth University Outstanding Nurse Service Award (September 2024). This award honors School of Nursing alumni who have shown outstanding leadership and service within their community, university, or professional or community organizations, leading to the development of others and positive impacts within their area of service. You were selected for your exceptional leadership in nursing policy, both at the hospital and national levels, and your important research on improving maternal role transitions, enhancing social support during the postpartum period, and advancing perinatal outcomes for incarcerated pregnant women.

Jasmine Ellington has been selected as Georgia Baptist College of Nursing of Mercer University's 2024 Young Alumna Award recipient. She will receive the award on 10/18/2024 at the Alumni Day Luncheon. Award Description: The Young Alumna/Alumnus Award, first awarded by the College in 2014, is given to an alumna or alumnus who has graduated within the last 10 years. That person has accomplished two or more of the following: (A) made outstanding contributions to the nursing profession; (B) achieved recognition by peers, patients and/or the profession in such a manner that brings honor to the College of Nursing and the University; (C) demonstrated service and commitment to the community; (D) fostered the mission, vision and values of the College of Nursing and the University; and (E) evidenced support of the Alumni Association of the College of Nursing through contributions of time and/or gifts. <https://nursing.mercer.edu/alumni/alumni-awards/>

Jacqueline Nikpour's paper was awarded Nursing Outlook's Article of the Year for Education: **Nikpour, J., Hickman, R. L., Clayton-Jones, D., Gonzalez-Guarda, R. M., & Broome, M. E. (2022). Inclusive leadership to guide nursing's response to improving health equity. Nursing outlook, 70(6), S10-S19.**

Telisa Spikes has been recognized as a finalist in the Martha N. Hill New Investigator Award by the American Heart Association's Council on Cardiovascular and Stroke Nursing (CVSN). Telisa Spikes received the award at the organization's 2024 Scientific Sessions following the presentation of their abstract, "Forms of Childhood Maltreatment and Subclinical Cardiovascular Disease Risk in Black men and women."

Athena D. F. Sherman 2024 NIH SGM Early-Stage Investigator Award Recipient.
<https://dpcpsi.nih.gov/sgmro/SGM-investigator-awards-program>

Honors:

Ryan Suk was selected as a 2025 Emerging Leaders Fellow for the American Cancer Society (ACS) National HPV Vaccination Roundtable. The ACS National HPV Vaccination Roundtable Emerging Leaders Program is a one-year program designed for early-career professionals, aiming to enhance leadership skills, tools, and habits to help fellows make a greater impact in HPV vaccination efforts.

Huiwen Xu was invited to serve as a Scientific Reviewer for NIH Health Services Special Emphasis Panel, scheduled for November 21-22, 2024.

Youjeong Kang received a certificate for the All of Us training program.

Ann-Marie Brown successfully completed the Certified Healthcare Simulation Educator certification exam (CHSE).

Yufen Lin has been selected as a recipient of the NRG Oncology Early Career & New Investigators (ECNI) Mentored Fellowship Program for 2024-2025 within the Gastrointestinal-Colorectal Cancer Subcommittee. She is the only nurse among the 10 fellows chosen for this program.

Ryan Suk was selected as a 2025 National HPV Vaccination Roundtable Emerging Leaders Fellow (American Cancer Society).
https://www.linkedin.com/posts/hpvrroundtable_the-acs-national-hpv-vaccination-roundtable-activity-7254839034747760640-P03C?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop

Helen Baker was accepted into the 2025 NLN LEAD Program in the NLN Leadership Institute.

Katie Cole was accepted to the NLN Simulation Leadership Development Program.
<https://www.nln.org/education/leadership-institute/centers-for-nursing-educationnln-center-for-transformational-leadership2b/leadership-development-for-simulation-educators>

Nadine Matthie has been selected as the 2025-2027 Co-chair of the Sickle Cell Disease Coalition's Access to Care Subcommittee as a representative of the National Black Nurses Association. The Sickle Cell Disease Coalition (SCDC) is an alliance of diverse stakeholder organizations from around the world that are united in conquering sickle cell disease (SCD). SCDC was established by the American

Society of Hematology (ASH) in 2016 to amplify the voice of the sickle cell stakeholder community, foster collaboration, and improve outcomes for individuals with SCD. Its membership includes organizations and stakeholders interested in sickle cell, such as those involved in public health, research, clinical care, community advocacy, philanthropy, policy, industry, and beyond.

Nadine Matthie is involved in an educational project with colleagues in the School of Medicine: Elevating Mentoring Possibilities for Overcoming and Withstanding Educational Roadblocks in Sickle Cell Disease (EMPOWER SCD): STEMM mentoring for middle and high school students with Sickle Cell Disease R25 funded by the National Institute of General Medical Sciences (09/01/2024 – 08/31/2029).
Role: Senior Mentor

Appointments

Huiwen Xu was elected as a Faculty Affiliate by Columbia University Center for Health Policy.

Grants

Huiwen Xu recent NIH R01 grant was highlighted by McKnight's Long-Term Care News: \$1.6M grant to focus on nursing home units to reduce racial disparities in dementia care
<https://www.mcknights.com/news/1-6m-grant-to-focus-on-nursing-home-units-to-reduce-racial-disparities-in-dementia-care/>

Sharon Sonenblum was awarded a \$60K industry sponsored grant from Medline, "Visualization of Erythema through the Optiview Transparent Dressing across Diverse Skin Tones".

Alex Fedorov pilot submission Quantifying Alzheimer's and Neurodegenerative Trajectories to The Alzheimer's Disease Research Center Executive Committee 2024 was funded in the amount of \$23,362. Award cycle: September 1, 2024 – August 31, 2025.