

# **NMSU**

## **SCHOOL OF NURSING FACT SHEET UPDATE**

- The School of Nursing now admits students to the *Family, Psych Mental Health Nurse Practitioner* program every year instead of every other year.
- Nursing online delivery of courses in MSN, DNP and PhD programs optimizes shared resources.
- Preference in enrollment for the *BSN* program is given to applicants who reside in New Mexico.

### **ENROLLMENT AND RETENTION**

#### **Family, Psych Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Program**

- Total 2016-2017 enrollment of doctoral students – 108
- *Family, Psych Mental Health Nurse Practitioner* student retention over 2 years
  - FY16 (90%), FY17 (80%), FY18 (80%) (Non-retention due to non-academic issues such as health, family, etc.)
- *Family, Psych Mental Health Nurse Practitioner* students participate in clinical experiences in rural and underserved areas.
  - FY16 (60%), FY17 (70%), FY18 (80%) Clinical preceptorships for nurse practitioners often lead to permanent positions for graduates.
- Percentage of *Family, Psych Mental Health Nurse Practitioner* graduates who practice in NM
  - FY16 (75%), FY17 (90%), FY18 (90%)

#### **Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Program**

- Total 2016-2017 enrollment of pre-licensure undergraduate students – 399
- Percentage of *BSN* graduates who practice in New Mexico
  - FY16 (65%), FY17 (60%), FY18 (75%)
- 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Fall retention rates for *BSN* Nursing majors
  - FY16 (90%), FY17 (90%), FY18 (100%)
- Graduation rates for *BSN* Nursing majors
  - FY16 (90%), FY17 (90%), FY18 (100%)
- NCLEX (National Nursing Licensure) pass rates for *BSN* program
  - FY16 (90%), FY17 (90%), FY18 (100%) (National average: 79~82%)
- Percentage of *BSN* enrollment representing minority/underserved backgrounds
  - FY16 (60%), FY17 (60%), FY18 (60%)

### **FACTS FOR BSN AND DNP**

- The primary goal of Doctorate in Nursing Practice (DNP) education is to prepare graduates to serve as innovators and leaders in nursing care at advanced levels.
- Between 2006-2016 School of Nursing graduated 1,492 BSNs.
  - Of this total: 75% licensed in New Mexico, 15% in Texas, 10% nationwide
- New Mexico has nation's lowest concentration of RN's/100,000 (<0.9%). Percentage of New Mexico Nursing workforce with BSN degrees is 55%.
- Percentage of BSN graduates who seek graduate degrees
  - FY16 (35%), FY17 (30%), FY18 (35%) (National average: 28~35%)
- Nursing Graduate students contributed 137,200 hours of community service in 2016
- Nursing Undergraduate students contributed 270,480 hours of community service in 2016

## Graduates Tell Us Where They Work (n=152)

Current Work Locations		2015	2014	2013*	2012	2011	2010	Before 2010
	Las Cruces/Dona Ana County	48%	41%	4%	25%	36%	20%	29%
	Las Cruces Area/El Paso	11%	7%	15%	6%	21%	0%	4%
	Albuquerque/Santa Fe	7%	11%	12%	13%	0%	7%	13%
	Southern New Mexico	4%	4%	8%	6%	0%	7%	0%
	Northern New Mexico	4%	7%	4%	6%	0%	13%	0%
	Current work not in New Mexico.	26%	30%	58%	44%	43%	53%	54%
	*Annual distribution of graduates aligns with national averages except for anomalies present in this year.							

### WHAT OUR NURSING GRADUATES HAVE TO SAY.....

#### THEY SEEK OUT ADVANCED DEGREES AND ADVANCED PRACTICE CERTIFICATIONS.....

"After graduating from NMSU in May 2013, I went to work full time and got my MSN for Pediatric NP in 2015. The BSN program at NMSU was one of the best things I've ever done and totally prepared me for my career and on. I'm interested in getting some more information on the DNP program as well knowing if it's possible to include a FNP certification with the DNP as my MS is in Anesthesiology. I'd like to broaden my scope of practice."

#### THEY TAKE CARE OF THEIR FAMILIES.....

"I was part of the 2014 class that finished with the accelerated summer semester and graduated that August. I was quickly hired at Memorial Medical Center after passing the NCLEX...My family and I moved to New Braunfels, Texas in January of this year to be with my wife's mother, who had terminal cancer. Had it not been for the family reasons for moving, we would likely still be in Las Cruces, and I would still be at MMC. I really loved working there."

#### THEY LOVE THEIR WORK.....

"After I graduated from nursing school in 2013, I waited about five months from receiving my license to begin working as a pediatric, day shift nurse. This was my absolute dream job. I've never loved my job more. I thank God I went to NMSU and became a nurse. There is nothing else I would rather be! Thank you and the staff for all your help!"

#### THEY ARE BUSY HELP OTHERS ALL OVER THE WORLD.....

"I spent the last ten months working as a nurse for a non-profit organization called Mercy Ships on a hospital ship called the Africa Mercy in Madagascar. I've always wanted to work for Mercy Ships since I was 16 and decided to pursue a career in nursing. Mercy Ships travels to one country every ten months and stays docked in port, performing surgeries for the poor who otherwise would have no access to medical or surgical care. What an incredible experience!"

#### MANY OF OUR GRADUATES ARE STILL WORKING IN NEW MEXICO!

"I graduated from NMSU School of Nursing in 2008, and then worked at UNMH in Albuquerque for almost two years, then went to a pediatric clinic for a year at Presbyterian and have now been at a pediatric clinic with UNMH for almost six years. I have obtained my pediatric certification. I took a position at Presbyterian Hospital in Albuquerque on Labor and Delivery. I have been working as an L&D RN for almost four years. I love it!"