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SHU Scripts: Stories from the Heart of Nursing

Letter from the Dean

When I arrived at Sacred Heart University in the summer of 2014, I never could have imagined all the significant changes that would happen in the ensuing seven years, least of all the evolution of a department of nursing to a named college of nursing. The leadership of SHU President John Petillo paved the way for the expansion of nursing programs, creation of a state-of-the-art facility and recruitment of creative and committed faculty and staff. This was accomplished with the intention of providing an exceptional education to prepare nurses for the immediate workforce needs and to lead the transformation of health care for the common good.



Whether you are among our alumni or a student in an undergraduate or graduate program, you have been taught by very special faculty whose passion for nursing and love of teaching are the hallmarks of the Davis & Henley College of Nursing.

Our faculty members live the meaning of nursing as caring with compassion, empathy and altruism, with the intention of healing body, mind and spirit. They model advocacy for the care of patients, families, communities and society. And, they expect the same from you.

You have made me proud to be the dean. As I transition to a new and exciting chapter of my nursing career, working with Dr. Petillo to advance SHU's lived mission of promoting the common good, I wish you all continued success in your professional and personal lives. Be proud of your Davis & Henley College of Nursing education. Always remember, you are and forever will be the sacred heart of nursing.

Mary Alice Donius

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Dean, Davis & Henley College of Nursing



SHU Appoints New Dean for Davis & Henley College of Nursing

Karen Daley, the new dean of the Davis & Henley College of Nursing, brings a varied background to the role. Daley's previous positions include registered nurse, educator, editor and project director.

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Nursing Graduate Learns True Meaning of Blessing of the Hands

COVID may have postponed Lauren Lemieux's formal graduation by one year, but it didn't stop her from applying the virtues she learned as a student from the annual Blessing of the Hands ceremony.

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Two Nursing Students, One Educator Honored with First DAISY Awards

Two recent graduates in the Davis & Henley College of Nursing and one faculty member have become the first recipients of the DAISY Award in recognition of their extraordinary work in the 2020-2021 academic year.

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Nursing Class of 2020 Receives 99 Percent First-Time Pass Rate on Licensure Exam

Sacred Heart's nursing class of 2020 graduates received a 99% first-time pass rate on the National Council Licensure Examination-Registered Nursing. SHU faculty, students and staff are proud of this momentous achievement.

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