



UNIVERSITY OF
CHARLESTON

CAPITO DEPARTMENT OF NURSING

Bert Bradford School of Health Sciences
Capito Department of Nursing

NURSING

Pinning Ceremony

BSN PROGRAM

Friday, May 1, 2026 | 3:00 p.m.
Ballroom, Geary Student Union

Pinning Ceremony Spring 2026

Graduating Class of 2026

Processional*.....Megan Bailey
Pianist

Slide Show.....Class of 2026

Invocation..... Gabrielle Johnson

Welcome.....Melissa Layne, MSN, RN
Associate Professor, Undergraduate Program Director Capito Department of Nursing

Awards.....Pam Smith, MSN, RN, APRN, FNP-BC, CNE
Assistant Professor, BSN Program Coordinator

History of the Nursing Pin.....Sandra Bowles, EdD, MSN, RN, CNE
Dean Emeritus, Bradford Division of Health Sciences

Pinning of Graduates.....Nursing Faculty

Nightingale Pledge.....Laura Adams, MSN, APRN-BC, ANP, WHNP
Assistant Professor

Presentation of Class..... Melissa Layne, MSN, RN
Associate Professor, Undergraduate Program Director Capito Department of Nursing

Benediction..... Erica L Davis

Recessional*.....Megan Bailey
Pianist

*Special thank you to the Gideon's
Join us for refreshments in The Commons after the ceremony.*

**Please Stand*

Cloe Bayes

Erica L Davis

Erica M Davis

Brianna Dotson

Branwyn Henley

Kaylee Hensley

Mercy Jepleting

Gabrielle Johnson

Aleah Larck

Autumn Larck

Olivia Moore

Brogan Moses

Lauren Persinger

Elizabeth Sheppard

FACULTY & STAFF:

Dr. Mindy Smith,
DEL, MBA, MA, BSRT (R)(M), RDMS
Dean, Bert Bradford School of Health Sciences

Melissa Layne, MSN, RN
Undergraduate Nursing Program Director

Laura Adams, MSN, APRN-BC, ANP, WHNP
Assistant Professor

Tara Miller, MSN, RN, APRN-CNP
Assistant Professor

Elizabeth Nida, BSN, RN
Instructor of Nursing

Cori Pettry, MSN, RN
Assistant Professor

Pamela Smith, MSN, RN, APRN-BC, FNP
Assistant Professor
BSN Program Coordinator

Erin Weaver, MSN, RN
Assistant Professor

Adam Patnoe
Simulation Coordinator

Jessica Pistner, BS
Administrative Assistant

— NURSE'S PLEDGE —

With full knowledge of the responsibilities that I am undertaking, I solemnly pledge myself to the service of humanity and will endeavor to practice my profession with consciousness and dignity. I will maintain by all the means in my power to honor the noble traditions of my profession.

The total health of my patients will be my first concern. I will hold in confidence all personal matters coming to my knowledge. I will not permit considerations of religion, nationality, race or social standing to intervene between my duty and my patient. I will endeavor to keep my professional knowledge and skills at the highest level and give my support and cooperation to all members of the healthcare team.

With full awareness of my qualifications and limitations, I will do my utmost to maximize the potential of the nursing profession and to uphold and advance its standards. I will maintain the utmost respect for humanity. I make these promises solemnly, freely, and upon my honor.

— COMMENCEMENT —

Saturday, May 2, 2026 | 10 a.m.

Russell & Martha Wehrle Innovation Center, University of Charleston