



## What is NEXus?

The Nursing Education Xchange — NEXus, was created to help address the nursing shortage and to assist doctoral students in completing their programs via distance learning. Member institutions from across the country collaborate to expand graduate-level academic opportunities for students. It's cost effective for universities and increases course enrollments and revenue.

## How it Works

Institutions apply for membership and sign a Memorandum of Agreement to formalize their participation. Member institutions then become eligible to offer courses on the network, and their graduate students may enroll in NEXus courses.

Universities identify key staff who assist NEXus students through the enrollment process. In addition, NEXus has a dedicated administrator to assist members, manage tuition income sharing, and help promote courses.

Students choose from an online annual catalog of more than 250 graduate course offerings. PhD, DNP and select Masters-level students may take full advantage of their existing financial aid packages, pay the common tuition price, and earn credits towards their own university's program.

Since 2006 NEXus  
has helped **GROW**  
the Nursing Profession  
at its Highest Level

16 UNIVERSITIES

COLLABORATORS



250+ CLASSES

ONLINE ANNUAL  
OFFERINGS



321 GRADUATES

217 PHD + 104 DNP



834 STUDENTS

FROM MEMBER  
INSTITUTIONS



1011 REGISTRATIONS

SEATS FILLED



### MEMBERS

ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY  
LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY  
OREGON HEALTH & SCIENCE UNIVERSITY  
THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY  
THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA  
THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA  
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT TYLER  
UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

YOUR  
UNIVERSITY  
COULD BE  
HERE

UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA  
UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS  
UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA LAS VEGAS  
UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO  
UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN COLORADO  
UNIVERSITY OF UTAH  
VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY  
WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY

# The Positive Impact of NEXus

NEXus is a time-tested, successful collaboration with students enrolling since 2006. Participation in NEXus nets numerous benefits for faculty, students, university administrators, and the nursing profession alike. These include:

- Offer a broader range of courses
- Highlight expert faculty and their specialties
- Reach a larger, diverse group of students from across the country
- Retain students and assist them in timely progression
- Ease faculty workload from independent study
- Respond to emergency course needs
- Fill seats in specialized courses that might not run otherwise
- Generate income by filling additional seats
- Save on instructor salaries and benefits
- Save on course development costs
- Take specialized courses that are impactful to a course of studies
- Expand your network by being part of a larger learning community
- Contribute to filling the need for leaders in nursing, including faculty

## 2019-2020 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

REGISTRATIONS	104
TUITION GENERATED	\$ 259,000
COST SAVINGS FACULTY*	\$ 1,033,000
AVERAGE UNIVERSITY INCOME	\$ 13,000
AVERAGE UNIVERSITY COST SAVINGS FACULTY*	\$ 61,000
COST SAVINGS COURSE DEVELOPMENT PER COURSE	\$ 7,000

\*SALARIES + BENEFITS ESTIMATED @ \$15,900 PER COURSE  
ALL DOLLARS ROUNDED TO NEAREST THOUSAND

*“This collaboration is invaluable--both from the standpoint of our students, as well as related to the interaction among programs offering nursing education. We are stronger together!”*

Jeanette A. McNeill, PhD, RN, MSN, CNE, ANEF  
Professor; Assistant Director, Graduate Nursing Programs; PhD in Nursing  
Education Program Coordinator  
University of Northern Colorado  
School of Nursing

## 2020-2021 ACADEMIC YEAR

**Annual Dues\***  
Academic Collaborator \$5,000  
Academic Affiliate \$6,000  
Each Additional Program Per Institution \$1,000

**Common Tuition Rate**  
Semester \$865/credit hour  
Quarter \$577/credit hour

\*New members pay a one-time Orientation Fee \$1,000

**Advanced Nursing Practice**

NRSG 805 Understanding Disability through Mass Media  
 NRSG 893 Preparing for Healthcare Practice in Rural Communities  
 NUR 501 Individual & Innovation Leadership in Adv. Nursing Practice  
 NURS 5350 Advanced Pathophysiology  
 NURS 6324 Advanced Multivariate Statistics  
 NURS 6343 Publishing Scholarly Papers  
 NURS 6711 Health and Systems II  
 NURS 702 Applied Epidemiology in Advanced Practice Nursine  
 NURS 7150 Ethics & the IRB  
 NURS:5018 Clinical Education in the Care Environment  
 NURS:5035:K Graduate Pharmacology Specialty: AG-Acute Care NP  
 NURS:5035:L Graduate Pharmacology Specialty: PNP-Acute Care  
 NURS:5035:U Graduate Pharmacology Specialty: PNP-Primary Care  
 NURS:5035:V Graduate Pharmacology Specialty: Family NP  
 NURS:5036 Psychopharmacology for Advanced Clinical Practice  
 NURS:5040 Genetics/Genomics Adv Nursing Practice  
 NURS:5041 Psychotherapeutics for Advanced Practice Nursing  
 NURS:6557 Clinical Practice Mngmt. & Leadership for Advanced Practice Providers  
 NURS:6808 Population Health for Advanced Practice  
 NURS528 Multivariate Statistical Techniques for Health Sciences  
 NUS 691 Advanced Information Technology Seminar

**Children, Parents and Families**

HCR 598 Fundamentals of Human Lactation

**Chronic & Disabling Conditions and Palliative Care**

NURS 6745 Complex Symptoms Management  
 NURS 6747 Practical Applications in Palliative Care Programming  
 NURS 7740 BBS I: Intrapersonal Determinants & Phenomena  
 NURS 7750 BBS II: Interpersonal Phenomena & Determinants  
 NURS 7760 Interventions & Outcomes in Biobehavioral Research  
 NURS 7885 Seminar: Cancer, Aging & End-of-Life Care Research

**Diverse & Vulnerable Populations**

NURS 593 Climate Change and Public Health Preparedness  
 NURS 6017 On the Home Front: Vet & Military Families  
 NURS 6018 Home from the Battlefield: Psychological Health Care  
 NURS 6019 Wounds of War: Mil Vet Disability Eval  
 NURS 6023 Veteran & Military Health Care Systems  
 NURS 6024 Caring for Veterans: Aging, Chronicity, & End of Life Care  
 NURS 6350 Research in Transcultural Health  
 NURS 6402 Comm. Engagement in Research w/Diverse Populations  
 Nurs 641 Health Disparities & Policy  
 NURS 702 Adv. Concepts of Vulnerable Underserved Populations  
 NURS:6811 Social Determinants of Health & Health System Inequities

**Ethics**

DNP 661 Ethics & Advanced Nursing Practice  
 NURS 8510 Ethics in Healthcare Practice, research & Policy  
 RELE 524 Bioethics and Society  
 NURS 7101 Research Ethics & Protection of Human Subjects  
 RELE 534 Ethical Issues in Public Health  
 RELE 564 Ethics and Health Disparities

**Gerontology**

GERON 6001 Introduction to Gerontology  
 GERON 6002 Service Agencies and Programs for the Elderly  
 GERON 6003 Research Methods in Aging  
 GERON 6050 Best Practices in Geriatric Care  
 GERON 6240 Aging and the Arts  
 GERON 6370 Health & Optimal Aging  
 GERON 6390 Care Management: Clinical Issues  
 GERON 6564 Interdisciplinary Approach to End-of-Life/Palliative Care  
 HTHRHSC7650S Case Studies in Clinical Gerontology  
 MEDCOLL 7790 Introduction to Applied Gerontology  
 MEDCOLL 7795 Issues and Trends in Aging  
 NUR 628 Research Theory & Principles: Palliative Care in Older Adults  
 NURS 6390 Care Management: Clinical Issues  
 NURS 6564 Interdisciplinary Approach to End-of-Life/Palliative Care  
 GERON 6100 Applications of Research in Aging  
 GERON 6235 Successful Cognitive & Emotional Aging  
 GERON 6280 International Dimensions of Lifelong Learning  
 GERON 6320 Death, Dying and Bereavement  
 GERON 6392 Care Management: Legal, Financial & Business Issues  
 GERON 6500 Social and Public Policy in Aging  
 GERON 6520 Foundations of Careers in Long-Term Care  
 GERON 6604 Advanced Physiology and Psychology of Aging  
 NURS 6600 Elder Health Promotion

**Mixed Methods**

NURS 711 Conducting Mixed Methods Research

**Nurse Education**

NURS652 Understanding & Intervening in Common Mental Health Problems of Elders  
 N5115 MINDSTRONG: An Evidence-based Program to Reduce Stress & Promote Overall Well-Being  
 NRSG 870 Designing a Student Learning Environment  
 NRSG 871 Curriculum/Program Planning and Evaluation  
 NRSG 873 Teaching with Technologies  
 NRSG 877 Foundations in Education and Learning  
 NUR 670 Curriculum Development in Academic and Practice Settings  
 NUR 671 Teaching in Academic and Practice Settings  
 NUR 672 Design and Delivery of Mediated Instruction  
 NUR 673 Producing & Evaluating Programs for Academic & Practice Settings  
 NURS 538/638 Emerging Trends in Nursing Education Curriculum  
 NURS 551/651 Complex Health Conditions  
 NURS 561/661 Best Practice in Teaching Nursing  
 NURS 562/662 Learning Assessment in Nursing  
 NURS 563/663 Simulation in Nursing Education  
 NURS 564/664 Clinical Teaching  
 NURS 591/691 Online Teaching  
 NURS 6071 Curriculum Development and Evaluation  
 NURS 6073 Assessment and Feedback in Education  
 NURS 679 Technology in Healthcare Education  
 NURS 706 Teaching in the Health Professions: Surviving & Thriving in Academia  
 NURS 710 Measurement of Nursing Student Outcomes  
 NURS 741 Evidence-Based Teaching  
 NURS 760 Advanced Nursing Curriculum Design and Program Evaluation  
 NURS 780 The Professorial Role in Nursing Education  
 NURS 7862 Best Practices to Enhance Teaching and Learning  
 NURS 7864 Evolving Nursing Education Science and Nurse Educator Roles  
 NURS 7865 Outcome-Focused Curriculum and Program Evaluation  
 NURSING 6114 Strategies for Personal Health  
 CTLE 6510 Cyber Pedagogy  
 NURS 6070 Education Environments and Educator Roles  
 NURS 6072 Learners and Learner-Centered Teaching  
 NURS 6074 Teaching Strategies & Modalities  
**Nursing Knowledge Development: Theory, Philosophy & Science**  
 NGRD 680 Strategies for Advanced Theory Development in Nursing  
 NGRD 681 Philosophical Foundations of Nursing Science  
 NP 8782 Foundations of Evidence-based Practice  
 NRSG 883 Complexity Science Approaches to Improve Organizational Effectiveness  
 NRSG 936 Philosophy of Nursing Science  
 NRSG 937 Innovative Theories and Models for Nursing Science  
 NUR 604 Philosophy of Science Perspectives in Nursing & Healthcare Innovation  
 NURS 501 Theoretical Foundations of Adv. Nursing  
 NURS 580 Budget & Finance for the Nurse Leader  
 NURS 599/799 Strategic Innovation & Healthcare Complexity  
 NURS 605 Symptom Management Science  
 NURS 6102 Roles & Responsibilities of the Nurse Scientist  
 NURS 6103 Philosophy of Science  
 NURS 6310 Philosophy of Nursing Science  
 NURS 6312 Theory Construction & Evaluation  
 NURS 703 Philosophical Underpinnings of Nursing Science  
 NURS 703 Philosophy of Human Science  
 NURS 704 Analysis and Construction of Nursing Models & Theories  
 NURS 7101 Metatheory in Nursing I  
 NURS 7102 Metatheory in Nursing II  
 NURS 7105 Analyzing & Constructing Conceptual & Theoretical Foundations of Nursing Science  
 NURS 7200 Writing Discipline for Scientific Publishing  
 NURS 7201 Role of the Scientist I  
 NURS 7202 Role of the Scientist II  
 NURS 721 Advanced Concepts in Biobehavioral Research  
 NURS 725 Synthesis and Emerging Trends in Scientific Inquiry  
 NURS 7506 Caring Science: Multiple Perspectives  
 NURS 7508 Caring Science as Transdisciplinary Domain for Health Science Education  
 NURS 7511 Philosophical Underpinnings of Caring Science  
 NURS 7803 Health Care Systems: State of the Science  
 NURS535 Philosophy of Nursing Science  
 NURS536 Nursing Theory: Foundations for Knowledge Development  
 NURS596 Nursing Science: Theory and Science of Nursing II  
 NUS 739 Philosophy of Inquiry  
 NURS 7204 Discovery & Innovation in Science

**Other**

NURS 608 Quality Improvement in Practice  
 NURSING 7402 Economic Evaluation of Healthcare Interventions  
 NURSING 7770 Fundamentals of Medical Product Dev. & Regulation  
 NURSING 7781 Responsible Conduct of Research  
 NURS 6392 Care Management  
 NURS 725 Principles of Advanced Nursing Management  
 NURS 746B Clarifying Racism - Foundational Concepts of Bias  
 NURS 746C Clarifying Racism - Unequal Treatment

**Quantitative Research Methods**

NRS 934 Foundations of Data Science  
 NURS 6123 Applied Statistics I  
 NURS 6223 Applied Statistics II  
 NURS 7201 Statistics I  
 NURS 7207 Quantitative Research Designs I  
 NURS 7104 Applied Informatics  
 NURS 7202 Statistics II  
 NURS 7209 Individual and Focus Group Research Interviewing

**Qualitative Research Methods**

NURS 6213 Qualitative Methods in Research  
 NURS 7856 Independent Study  
 NURS 7203 Principles of Qualitative Inquiry & Analysis II

**Research Methodology**

NGC 602 Data Science Applications in Healthcare  
 NGRD 664 Advanced Statistical Methods for Nursing Research  
 NGRD 684 Quantitative Research Methods  
 NGRD 685 Qualitative Research Methods  
 NRS 946 Measurement Principles and Practice  
 NUR 691 Mixed Methods for Health Science Research & Practice  
 NURS 503 Research in Nursing  
 NURS 529 Analytical Seminar for Health Sciences  
 NURS 6107 Research & QI: Principle Evidence  
 NURS 612 Health Outcomes Research Nursing Practice  
 NURS 613 Mixed Methods Research  
 NURS 620 Advanced Health Care Statistics I  
 NURS 621 Health Care Statistics II  
 NURS 6320 Data Management  
 NURS 6322 Advanced Statistics  
 NURS 6330 Quantitative Research Design  
 NURS 6333 Qualitative Research Design  
 NURS 6337 Advanced Research Design  
 NURS 6339 Mixed Methods Design  
 NURS 6510 Translational Science for Practice  
 NURS 700 Scientific Integrity: Responsible Conduct of Research  
 NURS 701 Statistical Methods for Nursing Research  
 NURS 702 Advanced Statistical Concepts for Nursing Research  
 NURS 7107 Principles of Qualitative Inquiry I  
 NURS 712 Conducting Rigorous Health Related Intervention Research  
 NURS 720 Foundations of Biobehavioral Clinical Research  
 NURS 725 Translational Research Methods  
 NURS 732 Advanced Concepts in Healthcare Quality Research  
 NURS 7440 Measurement for Nursing Science  
 NURS 7621 Adv. Qualitative Research Design, Methods & Analysis I  
 NURS 7622 Adv. Qualitative Research Design, Methods & Analysis II  
 NURS 7631 Adv. Quantitative Research Design, Methods & Analysis I  
 NURS 7632 Advanced Quantitative Research Design, Methods & Analysis II  
 NURS 770 Quantitative Research  
 NURS 772 Qualitative Research  
 NURS 775 Statistical Methods for Nursing Research I: Univariate Methods  
 NURS 776 Statistical Methods for Nursing Research II: Multivariate Methods  
 NURS 780 Quantitative Methods in Nursing  
 NURS 781 Qualitative Research Methods in Nursing  
 NURS 785 Special Topics in Nursing Research - Instrumentation  
 NURS:7310 Measurement in Health Research  
 NURS:7404 Biological Markers in Health Research  
 NURS524 Foundations of Methodological Applications for Health Sciences  
 NURS526 Analytical Foundations for Health Sciences  
 NURS527 Association, Group Difference and Regression Techniques for Health Services  
 NURS534 Research Seminar: Research Development & Critique  
 NURS587 Research Inquiry: Qualitative Methods

**Research Methodology continued**

NURS588 Research Inquiry: Quantitative Methods I  
 NURS592 Research Inquiry: Qualitative Methods II  
 NUS 697 Advanced Qualitative Research Methods  
 NUS 706 Psycho-Social Measurement & Questionnaire Construction  
 NURS 7103 Foundations of Science Inquiry: Philosophical, Historical & Epistemological  
 NURS 7208 Research Design II

**Scholarship and Writing**

NGRD 679 Writing for Professional Publication  
 NURS 6233 Scientific Writing for Publication  
 NURS 6341 Scholarship of Writing for PhD  
 NURS 6342 Scholarship in Nursing  
 NURS 7206 Introduction to Grantsmanship  
 NURS 7402 Dissertation Proposal Development  
 NURS 779 Writing a Research Grant Application  
 NURS 7401 Critical Appraisal and Synthesis of the Literature

**Scientific Underpinnings for Advanced Nursing Practice**

NRS 939 Precision Health  
 NRS 950 Symptom Science in Nursing  
 NURS 618 Epidemiology in Advanced Nursing Practice  
 NURS 658 Applied Nursing Genomics

**Special Topics**

5341 Special Topics in Nursing Sleep Better: Neurophysiology of Sleep & Wake

NURS 559/659 Understanding Social Determinants of Health  
 NURS 598 Advanced Topics

NURS 6702 Foundation of Health Informatics

**Systems, Leadership, Informatics and Policy**

IPHI 820 Program, Project, and Communication Planning  
 IPHI 851 Transforming Health Care through Use of Information Systems and Technology  
 IPHI 957 Health Informatics, Human Factors, and Ergonomics as Applied to Patient Safety  
 NGC 632 Interpreting Health Care Policy  
 NGRD 655 Health Systems Finance  
 NRS 880 Organizational Foundations for Leading Change  
 NURS 881 Applied Budgeting and Finance  
 NRS 885 Evaluation and Analysis for Health Care Effectiveness  
 NRS 891 Human Resources and Workforce Development  
 NRS 920 Microsystems in Healthcare Operations  
 NRSRPT 8403 Science of Practice Innovation  
 NURS 518 Population Health Leadership  
 NURS 5381 Healthcare Informatics 21st Century  
 NURS 5383 Applied Informatics: Quality, Safety, & Cost  
 NURS 5385 Information Systems Life Cycle  
 NURS 5387 Data Analysis and Healthcare Technology  
 NURS 549/749 Evidence Driven Clinical & Organizational Effectiveness  
 NURS 595 Communication in Nursing Leadership  
 NURS 596/796 Complexity Science Approaches in Leading Academic & Health Services Organizations  
 NURS 597/797 Creating Sustainable Organizations  
 NURS 6274 Semantic Representation  
 NURS 6293 Database Management Systems  
 NURS 6352 Health Care Policy Development  
 NURS 6710 Health and Systems I  
 NURS 6730 Principles of Health Care Financing  
 NURS 6772 Quality Improvement in Healthcare  
 NURS 707 Leadership in Health Policy  
 NURS 7106 Context for Advancing Science  
 NURS 731 Foundations in Healthcare Quality Research  
 NURS 7720 Evaluating Health Care Delivery Systems  
 NURS 7730 Changing Health Care Delivery Systems  
 NURS:5002 Leadership & Management Essentials  
 NURS:5010 Clinical Data Management and Evaluation  
 NURS:5015 Health Systems, Finance and Economics  
 NURS:5016 Health Care Infrastructure and Informatics  
 NURS:5017 Quality and Safety  
 NURS:6550 Advanced Leadership and Management  
 NURS:6551 Financial Management  
 NURS:6552 Managing Care in the Organizational Environment  
 NURS:6554 Seminar on Healthy Work Environment  
 NURS:6556 Marketing and Communications for Health Care Leaders  
 NURS:6802 Health Policy, Law, and Advocacy  
 NURS 7773 Leadership & Health Care Policy



## PROFILE Alum and Faculty

### Nick Miehl, PhD, RN, CHSE

Clinical Assistant Professor, School of Nursing and Interim Program Director for Statewide Simulation at Oregon Health and Science University  
NEXus COURSES TAUGHT: NURS 663 Simulation in Nursing Education and NURS 580 Budget and Finance for the Nurse Leader



*“What NEXus really captures is a community of learning... Networking with other faculty and students is so wonderful because you never know how that’s going to impact your work and research down the line.”*

Nick Miehl, PhD, RN, CHSE

Since its inception, over 300 students, who took at least one NEXus course as part of their programs, have graduated. One of these graduates is Dr.

Nick Miehl, a father of four children, who earned his PhD from the Arizona State University (ASU) Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovations. In a recent interview Dr. Miehl explained that he knew he wanted to grow his nurse educator experience after completing his post master’s certificate in nursing education. He was able to combine his interests in nursing education with leadership and innovation at ASU as well as continue his research.

Miehl participated in NEXus by taking a *Mixed Method Research Design* course from the University of Utah. He describes NEXus as wonderful opportunity where “you get some courses that are impactful and important to your work. Trying to find those faculty who teach those courses and where to take them can be challenging (on your own). But NEXus makes that much more possible.”

As a faculty member, Nick finds value in the connections made in the NEXus community for students and faculty. Students bring unique perspectives to the class and he recommends they be very open-minded to the learning. Faculty can also learn about how other programs do things differently. “There are so many avenues of research and lines of inquiry out there, it’s just so fascinating.”

Fortunately for students, Miehl offers his leadership courses in NEXus. He has significant expertise in simulation, having taught in the field for over 13 years, as well as conducted research on the topic. He describes his *Simulation in Nursing Education* class as a specialty course, where he can help the graduate student move forward in where they want to go in their learning.

His students in the course *Budget and Finance for the Nurse Leader* are often already leaders in different areas but they haven’t usually had training in budget and finance. “I’m able to bring that experience with the student to the varied settings they work in, and really can tailor the learning to the specific student. The students are meeting the course outcomes, but in a very meaningful way to their own learning.”

Dr. Miehl’s continued passion for the field of leadership, coupled with simulation, continue to guide his research projects. He currently is working on a simulation study in legal simulation. In addition, he is conducting a study with another faculty member on telehealth simulation.

*Read Dr. Miehl’s course descriptions and view the entire catalog of course offerings [online](#).*

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