

Bunker Hill Community College

Registered Nursing Program Pinning Ceremony Class of Spring 2020

May 19, 2020, 10 a.m. • Virtual Ceremony

Welcome

Elizabeth Tobin, *Director, Nurse Education*

Student Speakers

Day Program –

Lourdes Desameau

Alternative Program –

Emily Ross

Florence Nightingale Pledge

Nursing Students and Faculty

Closing Remarks

Elizabeth Tobin, *Director, Nurse Education*

BHCC Leadership Attending Virtually

Pam Eddinger, *President*

Maryanne Atkinson, *Dean of Health Sciences*

James Canniff, *Provost & Vice President of
Academic & Student Affairs*

Alice Murillo, *Associate Provost, Chelsea Campus*

Donna Savino, *Assistant Dean of Health Sciences*

Kristen Wenger, *Chair of Nurse Education*

The Nightingale Pledge

The Nightingale Pledge, an adaptation of the Hippocratic Oath taken by physicians, was composed by Lystra Gretter, an instructor of nursing at the old Harper Hospital in Detroit, Michigan, and was first used by its graduating class in the Spring of 1893. Following is an adaptation of the original pledge:

I pledge myself here, before my God and in the presence of this Assembly, to practice my profession with integrity.

I will endeavor to maintain and elevate the standard of nursing, both as a science and as an art. I wholeheartedly recognize the importance of high standards of care and of personal accountability. I devote myself to the healing, protection, and welfare of those committed to my care. I accept a duty to work for the improvement of health in the communities in which I live and work. I will hold in confidence all personal matters committed to my keeping, and will respect the privacy of medical information. I will act with compassion in ethical matters. I will not knowingly administer or consume any harmful substance. I commit to interdisciplinary collaboration and lifelong learning. I fully acknowledge the seriousness of the responsibility that I accept in my calling, and the significance of this pledge that I take today.

Day Students

Sandra Arango

Jauntee DeBarros

Lourdes Desameau

Jacqueline Elwell

Sarah Flavell

Nneka Isiakpona

Heajoo Lee

Emily McNamara

Jonathan O'Malley

Lily Pallas

Joseline Michelle Posada

Tasha Silencieux

Nancye Smith

Alternative Students

Allyson Batchelder

Gina Caban

Melissa Cartagena

Samantha Cella

Chun-Hau Chen

Lucas Ferreira

Edward Gallegos

Gretchen Gulbrandsen

Yukheung Lam

Niraji Nesaratnam

Unoma Oforah

Ruby Pena

Emily Ross

Angela Vallillo



The Nursing Pin

The tradition of the nursing pin and the ceremonial pinning originated in the 1860s at the Nightingale School of Nursing at St. Thomas Hospital in London. Having been recently awarded the Red Cross of St. George for her selfless service to the injured and dying in the Crimean War, Florence Nightingale chose to extend the honor to her most outstanding graduate nurses by presenting them each with a medal of excellence. The Pinning Ceremony now marks the passage from the student role to the practice role.

The pin of each school of nursing is unique, and only graduates of that school may wear the pin as a statement that they have completed that program. Bunker Hill Community College's pin is round in shape and depicts the Bunker Hill Monument.