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Leadership for Academic Nursing Program

Directory of Fellows
2012-2013
In 2001, the Helene Fuld Health Trust awarded an academic leadership grant to the American Association of Colleges of Nursing in order to develop an executive leadership institute for new and aspiring deans. After four grant funded classes of fellows, the program was redesigned and became self-sustaining in 2006, but retained the rigorous and competitive selection process and the excellent leader development activities characterized by the first four years.

This professional development experience includes assessment and evaluation of leadership skills, identification of particular approaches that enhance leadership success, identification of key partnerships and strategic networking, and consultation to achieve long-term goals. In response to the increasing seniority of nursing academic leaders, this program was designed to prepare a more diverse, younger pool of deans/directors and other senior leaders for nursing higher education programs.

In August 2012, the 2012-13 Fellows attended a five-day workshop in Colorado Springs, CO, where they participated in intensive classes and exercises related to successful academic leadership. The fellowship year also includes opportunities for Fellows to apply concepts and strategies from their professional development activities, confer with colleagues in the fellowship, and engage in a mentorship opportunity with an experienced nursing academic executive, working to accomplish specific, individualized leader development goals.

This directory highlights the 2012-13 Fellows. Representing a variety of backgrounds, experiences, and abilities, these Fellows have enhanced their skill as academic leaders, and have the necessary tools to serve even more competently and confidently as leaders in academic nursing.
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Dr. Chlebowy is the Director of Undergraduate Programs and an Assistant Professor at the University of Louisville School of Nursing. As Director, she provides administrative oversight for the traditional, accelerated, and RN-BSN programs at the Louisville campus and the traditional program at the Owensboro campus. Dr. Chlebowy received her PhD in nursing, MS in nursing administration, MA in adult education, and BSN degrees from The Ohio State University. She has over 25 years of experience as a faculty member teaching in both undergraduate and graduate programs. In 2012, she was selected as a finalist for the A.O. Sullivan Award for Excellence in Education in recognition of a newly developed nurse residency program. As a nurse scientist, Dr. Chlebowy has established and led a funded interdisciplinary diabetes research program. Her scholarly
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