- PROGRAM AGENDA -

Program subject to change

Key Conference Outcomes

- Understand the historical and ongoing impact of nursing on health and justice, and how the collective voice of professional nursing influences to advance health policy.
- Gain insight into the association's priorities and initiatives to advance excellence in academic nursing, and equipping attendees with knowledge to enhance their own educational institutions.
- Explore groundbreaking products, services, and research initiatives in doctoral nursing education, and stay informed about the latest developments and strategies in academic nursing.
- Expand their professional networks by connecting with fellow nursing educators, AACN leadership, and industry exhibitors, fostering collaboration and support among peers dedicated to advancing doctoral education in nursing.

Nursing Continuing Professional Development:

The American Association of Colleges of Nursing is accredited as a provider of nursing continuing professional development by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

Attendees will be awarded continuing nursing professional development (NCPD) credit for the sessions they attend and evaluate.

Up to 15.75 NCPD credits available for in-person attendance. NCPD credits are also available for on-demand sessions.

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*NCPD credit available

Thursday, January 16

11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Registration Open   *Southpointe Foyer (Southpointe Center)*

1:00-5:15 p.m.
Exhibitor Showcase Open   *Southpointe Foyer (Southpointe Center)*
Access exhibitors and sponsors showcasing innovative and forward-thinking products and services. Take time connect with exhibitors showcasing innovations and capabilities to explore resources, strategies, solutions, and more. The Exhibitor Showcase provides registered attendees a hands-on opportunity to interact with the products that make academic nursing unique.
The Exhibitor Showcase is open Thursday and Friday.

1:00-6:30 p.m.
Poster Showcase Open   *Ocean Ballroom (Victorian Building)*
View posters highlighting scholarly work in evidence-based practice, quality improvement, and research in doctoral nursing education.

1:00-1:45 p.m.
First-Time Attendee Meet & Greet   *Mezzanine 1 (Southpointe Center)*
Join us for this informal networking opportunity *hosted by the Doctoral Education Conference Planning Subcommittee*. Connect with fellow first-time attendees, ask questions, and jump start the conference.
We look forward to seeing you!

2:00-3:30 p.m.
Welcome and Opening Plenary*   *Southpointe Ballroom (Southpointe Center)*
Nurses Change the World: The Enduring Power of Relationship to Create Health and Justice
Available on demand
In this inspiring and galvanizing presentation, journalist Sarah DiGregorio will illuminate the many ways that nursing has been key to the flourishing of human societies, from antiquity to the present. It will include stories of nurses who have used their unique insight and expertise to tackle some of the biggest problems of their time. And it will elucidate how nurses, because they work in relationship with people, are often perfectly situated to notice causes of suffering in individuals and communities, and then to act to alleviate that suffering.
Speaker: **Sarah DiGregorio**, *Journalist and Author*

3:30-4:00 p.m.
Networking with Peers & Exhibitors   *Southpointe Lawn (Southpointe Center)*
Mingle with colleagues and strategic partners while enjoy refreshments and light snacks.

3:30-4:00 p.m.
Poster Showcase Open   *Ocean Ballroom (The Victorian)*
View posters highlighting scholarly work in evidence-based practice, quality improvement, and research in doctoral nursing education.

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4:00-5:00 p.m.
Rounds with AACN Leadership*   *Southpointe Ballroom (Southpoint Center)*
Available on demand
Join AACN leadership for updates on the association's priorities, strategic initiatives, and new developments. AACN Board Chair Jean Giddens and President/CEO Deborah Trautman provide an overview of the association's work to transform academic nursing and serve our members. Ask questions and learn more about how these initiatives can impact and elevate your school of nursing.
*Speakers: **Jean Giddens**, PhD, RN, Chair, AACN Board of Directors, and Dean and Professor, School of Nursing, University of Kansas, and **Deborah Trautman**, PhD, RN, President and Chief Executive Officer, American Association of Colleges of Nursing*

5:00-6:30 p.m.   *Ocean Ballroom (The Victorian)*
AACN Welcome Reception with Poster Presentations*
Kick-off the conference with an engaging opening reception. Take this opportunity to network with friends and colleagues, and talk with poster presenters, while enjoying a glass of wine and light fare.

6:30 p.m.
Coronado Walk-and-Talk with AACN President and CEO
Join AACN President/CEO Deborah Trautman for this optional walk. Get in your daily steps while enjoying the natural beauty of Coronado California! The group departs promptly at 6:30 p.m. from the hotel entrance.

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6:00-7:00 a.m.
Running and Walking Groups
Meet with other early risers at the hotel entrance for a 30-minute run or 60-minute morning walk.

7:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Registration Open   *Southpointe Foyer (Southpointe Center)*

7:00-9:00 a.m.
Light Continental Breakfast   *Southpointe Foyer (Southpointe Center)*

7:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Exhibitor Showcase Open   *Southpointe Foyer (Southpointe Center)*

Friday, January 17

7:30-8:30 a.m.
Breakfast Forums

- **PhD/DNS & DNP Award Podium Abstract Presentations***

    Southpointe West *(Southpointe Center)*

    Hear from the 2024 Outstanding PhD/DNS Dissertation and DNP Project Award Recipients about their ground-breaking research and practice innovations.

    Examining Resilience in Symptom Response to Cancer Treatment Among Older Adults with Advanced Cancer
    Speaker: **Zhihong Zhang**, *PhD, RN School of Nursing, University of Rochester*

    Evaluating Workload Process for HIV Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis in a Student Health Clinic: A Quality Improvement Initiative
    Speaker: **Emily McAllister**, *DNP, APRN, College of Nursing, Texas Women's University*

- **New Dean Dialogue**   ***Cabana Ballroom*** *(The Cabanas)*
    New deans are invited to this informal dialogue to hear about the AACN resources helping you further your leadership journey. Come ask your questions, connect with peers, and embrace the unique opportunity to engage in thought-provoking in-person conversation.

- **Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Leadership Network (DEILN)**

    Southpointe A-D *(Southpointe Center)*

    Join colleagues to meet, greet, and network with other DEILN members and potential members. You will have the opportunity to meet the steering committee and other members you may have only met or worked with virtually. Learn about the activities of DEILN and share thoughts on future engagement activities. All are welcome to attend.

- **Practice Leadership Network (PLN)**   ***Southpointe East*** *(Southpointe Center)*
    Come meet with members of the Practice Leadership Network (PLN) at our annual networking breakfast. During this time, we'll discuss the role of the PLN, brainstorm ideas for future educational sessions to meet the needs of our network and share opportunities to become involved in PLN events.

- **Research Leadership Network (RLN)**   ***Southpointe E-H*** *(Southpointe Center)*
    Come meet with members of the Research Leadership Network (RLN) at our annual networking breakfast. During this time, we'll discuss the role of the RLN, brainstorm ideas for future educational sessions to meet the needs of our network and share opportunities to become involved in RLN events.

9:00-11:30 a.m. *(9:00-10:00 a.m. and 10:30-11:30 a.m.)*
Podium Abstract Presentations*
Available on demand
(See separate schedule in your registration materials for details)
This is AACN's version of TEDTalks, where during a 60-minute session, three presenters each have 15 minutes to present key points and 5 minutes for Q&A.

Abstract Themes:
- Academic Nursing: Excellence & Innovation
- Leading & Advancing Improvements in Health, Health Care, & Higher Education
- Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion
- AACN *Essentials*

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9:00-10:00 a.m.
D³ – Deep-Dive Discussion* *Founders Ballroom (Grande Hall)*
PhD and DNP Partnership: Bridging Knowledge and Integration
Join a PhD and DNP prepared nurse to explore characteristics of successful synergies between the roles of a PhD and DNP in a healthcare system. Gleen relevant information to understand the environment crucial to cultivating and supporting partnerships and understand outcomes of organizational success when doctorate prepared nurses operate at the top of their license.
Speakers: **Hannah Jang Kim***, PhD, RN, Senior Operations Leader, Analytics Nurse Scientist, Kaiser Permanente National Patient Care Services and* **Jim D'Alfonso***, DNP, PhD(h), RN, Executive Director, Professional Excellence, KP Scholars Academy, Kaiser Permanent*

10:00-10:30 a.m.
Networking with Peers & Exhibitors *Southpointe Lawn (Southpointe Center)*
Mingle with colleagues and strategic partners while enjoy refreshments and light snacks.

10:30-11:30 a.m.
D³ – Deep-Dive Discussion* *Founders Ballroom (Grande Hall)*
Beyond the PhD and DNP: Understanding Diverse Doctoral Degrees in Nursing
Join a panel of nursing education experts for a thought-provoking discussion aimed at establishing a deeper understanding of the diverse doctoral degrees offered by schools of nursing. This session will explore the variety of doctoral degrees, highlighting the value and contributions of faculty and students from different programs. Through innovative strategies for communication and collaboration, the discussion will offer valuable insights to advance a more integrated and collaborative approach to doctoral nursing education, ultimately strengthening the profession and improving outcomes.
Speakers: **Kamila Alexander***, PhD, RN, Associate Professor, Director PhD and Postdoctoral Programs, School of Nursing, Johns Hopkins;* **Jeannette Andrews***, PhD, RN, Dean and Professor, College of Nursing, University of South Carolina;* **Latina Brooks***, PhD, APRN, Assistant Dean, School of Nursing, Case Western Reserve University;* **Eileen Collins***, PhD, RN, Dean and Professor, College of Nursing, University of Illinois Chicago;* **Shawn Collins***, PhD, DNP, APRN, Dean and Professor, School of Nursing, Loma Linda University;* **Connie White Delaney***, PhD, RN, Dean and Professor, School of Nursing, University of Minnesota; and,* **Donna Havens***, PhD, RN, Dean and Professor, College of Nursing, Villanova University*

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Networking with Exhibitors *Southpointe Foyer (Southpointe Center)*

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Lunch *(on your own)*

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12:00-1:00 p.m.
Lunch Forums* (bring your lunch)

- **Forum for Associate Deans for Research**   *Southpointe A-D (Southpointe Center)*
  This facilitated discussion is intended specifically for associate deans/directors at research-intensive schools receiving significant research funding. The agenda is focused on issues particularly relevant to these types of programs and personnel, although all are welcome to attend.
  Facilitator:

- **Forum for DNP Program Directors**   *Southpointe West (Southpointe Center)*
  This facilitated discussion is intended specifically for DNP program directors. The agenda is focused on issues particularly relevant to these types of programs and personnel, although all are welcome to attend.
  Facilitator:

- **Forum for PhD Program Directors**   *Southpointe East (Southpointe Center)*
  This facilitated discussion is intended specifically for PhD program directors. The agenda is focused on the AACN's PhD Pathways initiative and issues particularly relevant to the research-focused doctorate. All are welcome to attend.
  Facilitator:

12:00-1:00 p.m.
NursingCAS Luncheon: A Demonstration of AACN's Student Application and Admissions Management Portal   *Crown Room (The Victorian)*
Learn about NursingCAS, AACN's free student admissions application service that provides colleges with a student application and admissions platform to efficiently manage data-driven reviews in a cloud-based software. Learn why 290 colleges of nursing and 115,000 student applicants used NursingCAS to manage their nursing school applications last cycle.
Pre-Registration required here. Limited seating. Those who register after the 1/10 deadline may not have special dietary requests honored.

12:00-1:00 p.m.
Solution Circle   *Carousel Room (The Victorian)*
Advancing DNP *Essentials* through the Application of Ovid® Synthesis in Doctor of Nursing Practice Projects
Sponsored and presented by Wolters Kluwer. Pre-Registration required here. Limited seating.
The DNP final project serves as a comprehensive evaluation of a student's ability to effectively demonstrate and apply the advanced-level competencies outlined in the *Essentials*. In response to growing requests from community partners for quality projects aligned with their strategic goals, this presentation will explore the use of Ovid Synthesis as a valuable tool for guiding students through the project process. By leveraging Ovid Synthesis, students can ensure their projects not only meet the expectations of community partners and fulfill the rigorous requirements of the DNP program, but also serve as a bridge to improved patient outcomes.
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1:30-2:30 p.m.
Emerging Solutions*
Available on demand

Advocating for Equity: The Role of Nurses in Building Inclusive Futures in Health and Education
Southpointe West (Southpointe Center)
Proposed legislation at the federal and state levels may upend diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives underway at schools of nursing. This session will address how diversity, equity, and inclusion are connected to health equity, educational equity, and social justice. Attendees will leave with actionable strategies to advance socially just policies for more accessible, equitable, and inclusive healthcare and educational environments.
Speaker: **Teri A. Murray**, *PhD, RN, Dean Emerita, Professor, Chief Diversity & Inclusion Officer, School of Nursing, Saint Louis University*

Charting the Future: Adapting Nursing to a Transforming Healthcare Landscape with Technology
Carousel Room (The Victorian)
This session addresses the need for nurses and faculty to be trained in the latest healthcare technologies, such as electronic health records, telemedicine, and AI-driven tools, to optimize patient care and efficiency. We will explore the **Future of Nursing 2020-2030** report by the National Academy of Medicine, which outlines a vision for the nursing profession to meet healthcare challenges over the next decade. The report emphasizes achieving health equity in the U.S. through strengthened nursing capacity and expertise. Participants will gain a comprehensive understanding of the report and its implications for the nursing profession, ensuring they are well-prepared for the evolving healthcare landscape.
Speaker: **Victoria Tiase**, *PhD, RN, Assistant Professor of Biomedical Informatics and Nursing, College of Nursing, University of Utah*

Coaching for Competency
Founders Ballroom (Grande Hall)
Frequent formative assessment with developmental feedback is an integral part of competency-based education. Current approaches to providing feedback to learners are sources of stress for both faculty and learners. This session will outline a 6-step approach to "coaching conversations" in which educators partner with learners to assess performance and provide developmental coaching.
Speaker: **Mary Fey**, *PhD, RN, Associate Director, Applied Learning for Performance and Safety, Harvard Center for Medical Simulation*

Harnessing AI in Doctoral Nursing Education: Emerging Solutions for a Complex Landscape
Cabana Ballroom (The Cabanas)
In the evolving landscape of healthcare and education, Artificial Intelligence (AI)—particularly Generative AI—offers transformative opportunities, especially in doctoral nursing programs. This session will explore how generative AI tools, like ChatGPT, can enhance both student learning and faculty efficiency, focusing on emerging solutions that address current complexities. Attendees will gain insights into generative AI's role in personalizing learning experiences, supporting competency-based education, and augmenting faculty tasks to improve efficiency and reduce administrative burdens. Ethical considerations, such as data privacy and responsible AI use, will also be discussed, equipping educators with practical strategies to leverage AI in teaching, research, and administrative processes. Join us to discover how harnessing generative AI can help shape the present and future of doctoral nursing education.
Speaker: **Grace Sun**, *DNP, APRN, Assistant Dean of APRN Programs, University of Texas at Tyler*

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Optimizing DNP Graduate Impact: Good Conversations Around Navigating Complex Challenges and Driving Meaningful Change *Southpointe A-D (Southpointe Center)*
There is inconsistency across DNP Programs around minimal expectations of DNP graduates' knowledge and skills in evidence-based decision making. This can impact their ability to navigate complex challenges that drive the need for meaningful, patient-centered change that underpins healthcare quality and safety. Come join us in robust conversation around finding solutions that can optimize DNP graduate talents and impact on healthcare processes and outcomes.
Speakers: **Ellen Fineout-Overholt**, *PhD, RN, Senior Director, EBP & Implementation Science, Nursing Quality and Regulatory, Ascension;* **Susan Farus-Brown**, *DNP, APRN, Associate Professor, School of Nursing, Ohio University;* **Kerry A. Milner**, *DNSc, APRN, Professor, College of Nursing, Sacred Heart University; and,* **Mary Zonsius**, *PhD, RN, Associate Professor, College of Nursing, Rush University*

Seeing Near and Seeing Far: Writing for Nurses, Including the Powerful Op-Ed
Crown Ballroom (The Victorian)
In this session, journalist and author Sarah DiGregorio will lead a writing workshop designed to give nurses the tools to get their expert commentary to a broad, general audience. We will focus on the form of the op-ed, as nurses are subject matter experts who are uniquely positioned to propose solutions to problems that affect the public's health. Nurses have stories—stories that illuminate and reveal important truths about the health care system, about what it means to care for individuals and communities, and about the root causes of suffering. As Australian nurse-scholar Jill White has said, nurses see near—they know their patients, their students, their specific clinical realities—but they also see far. They identify patterns and larger problems and make plans to solve them. In other words, nurses see both the forest and the trees. There are vital stories and insights in that interplay. Despite this, nurse voices and nursing knowledge is underrepresented in the general media, to everyone's detriment. In this hands-on workshop, we will take the time to understand key strategies in writing for the general public and then we will practice writing a lead and main idea paragraph that can be turned into an op-ed. We will also discuss resources for moving forward with placing an op-ed in an outlet.
Speaker: **Sarah DiGregorio**, *Journalist and Author*

Selecting Critical Curricular Concepts to Support Competency Attainment
Coronet Room (The Victorian)
This presentation highlights the importance of establishing a shared vision for nurse practitioner (NP) educational preparation to promote professional integrity and ensure patient safety. Through practical examples, attendees will learn to identify high-value curriculum components and effectively integrate competency-based education principles into course design.
Speakers: **Marcy Ainslie**, *EdD, APRN, Assistant professor, Center for Digital Health Innovation, College of Health and Human Services, University of New Hampshire and* **Tracey Chan**, *PhD, APRN, Assistant Professor, Oakland University*

Friday, January 17

The Past, Present & Future of Nurse Innovation and Leading Change
Southpointe East (Southpointe Center)
The concept of nurse innovation has evolved significantly over time, reflecting broader changes in healthcare and the increasing recognition of the important role that nurses play in innovation to improving patient outcomes and the healthcare system. As healthcare continues to evolve, nurses will continue to be charged with more leadership roles and bringing an innovative mindset will help us in shaping policy, technology and patient care delivery.
Speaker: **Rebecca Love**, *MSN, RN, Visiting Professor in Healthcare, College of Nursing, Villanova University*

We Can't Be Ho Hum: Elevate Health Policy *Southpointe E-H (Southpointe Center)*
Are you ready to elevate health policy by using more innovative, influential teaching strategies? Join engaging dialogue as we: examine creative approaches to empower more nurses for policy and advocacy roles; build greater capacity for integrating health policy throughout programs; and explore partnerships to enhance experiential learning opportunities and research/policy analysis.
Speaker: **Sharron J. Crowder**, *PhD, RN, Special Assistant to the Dean for Health Policy Initiatives, Clinical Associate Professor, School of Nursing, Indiana University*

2:30-3:00 p.m.
Networking with Peers & Exhibitors *Southpointe Lawn (Southpointe Center)*
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3:00-4:00 p.m.
Emerging Solutions* *(repeated)*
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4:15-5:30 p.m.
Advancing Your Portfolio of Scholarship through Publication: Insights from the Editor*
Available on demand *Founders Ballroom (Grande Hall)*
Advancing scholarship through publication is essential for academic advancement. Publication of critical and relevant scholarship is a requisite for the advancement of nursing science. However, the process can be perceived as arduous and demanding. Join peers and the Editor of the Journal of Professional Nursing for the unique opportunity to ask your questions and gain insight into the process of manuscript development, submission, and successful acceptance for publication. You may walk away with the inspiration to review manuscripts or join an editorial board.
Speaker: **Patricia Morton**, *PhD, RN, Dean Emeritus, University of Utah College of Nursing, Editor, Journal of Professional Nursing*

4:15-5:30 p.m.
CCNE Forum on the Revised 2024 Accreditation Standards* *Crown Ballroom (The Victorian)*
Available on demand
Join CCNE Board and former Standards Committee leaders for an important dialogue about the 2024 revisions to CCNE's *Standards for Accreditation of Baccalaureate and Graduate Nursing Programs* (*Standards*), which went into effect on January 1, 2025. Learn about the changes and take advantage of this opportunity to ask questions about the CCNE *Standards*. What are the substantive differences between the 2018 and 2024 Standards? How might programs address CCNE's expectations in an upcoming self-study document, continuous improvement progress report, or other report?
Speakers: **Jennifer Butlin**, *EdD, Executive Director, Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)*, **Jean D'Meza Leuner**, *PhD, RN, Dean and Professor, College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Auburn University at Montgomery, and* **Susan D. Ruppert**, *PhD, APRN, Professor & Associate Dean of Graduate Studies, Cizik School of Nursing, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston*

6:00 p.m.
Networking Dinners *(optional)*
A great opportunity for you to connect with other participants and expand your network while enjoying the local cuisine! Simply choose from our pre-selected restaurants posted at the registration desk and sign-up. Participants are responsible for their own tabs and share transportations costs (if any).
The dinners are scheduled for 6:00 p.m. – participants meet at 5:30 p.m. in the hotel lobby.

Saturday, January 18

6:00-7:00 a.m.
Running and Walking Group
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6:30-11:30 a.m.
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7:00-9:00 a.m.
Light Continental Breakfast   *Southpointe Foyer (Southpointe Center)*

7:30-8:30 a.m.
Like-Schools Informal Discussions*

- **Small/Liberal Arts Colleges**   *Cabana A&B (The Cabanas)*
- **Private Colleges/Universities**   *Cabana C (The Cabanas)*
- **Public Colleges/Universities**   *Crown Room (The Victorian)*
- **Academic Health Centers**   *Pearl Room (The Victorian)*

9:00-10:00 a.m.
Plenary
Taking Advocacy to the Next Level: Engaging Nurses in Politics
Available on demand   ***Southpointe Ballroom** (Southpointe Center)*
The political determinants of health (PDOH) are critical to achieving health equity, but have received limited attention in academic nursing. Nurses are increasingly adept at advocacy, yet remain sorely underrepresented in elected offices, despite having a skill set well suited to run and serve constituents. This presentation will explore the power of civic engagement, nursing representation, and PDOH through the lived experience of a nurse who has served in elected office. Nurse educators will leave with new ideas for how to embed political advocacy and public service into their nursing programs and clinical practices.
*Speakers: **Sofia Aragon**, JD, BSN, RN, Executive Director for the Washington Center for Nursing and **Lisa Summers**, DrPH, RN, Health Policy Educator and President, Healing Politics*

10:00-10:30 a.m.
Networking with Peers   *Southpointe Lawn (Southpointe Center)*

10:30-11:30 a.m.
Closing Plenary
Practicing Mindfulness and Self-Compassion: Approaches to Promoting Joy, Well-Being, and Creativity
Available on demand   ***Southpointe Ballroom** (Southpointe Center)*
Nurses often feel obligated to be superhuman. As healthcare professionals and educators, we are expected to be steadfast caregivers while often neglecting our own needs and the long-term cost of high stress and burnout. This presentation will review the latest research on stress, coping, caregiver strain, and clinician/educator well-being and then move to evidence-based practices to address these issues with strategies grounded in mindfulness, contemplative practices, and self-compassion.
*Speaker: **Cheryl Woods Giscombe**, PhD, APRN, Author, Senior Associate Dean and Chief Wellness Officer & Levine Family Distinguished Professor of Quality of Life, Health Promotion, and Wellness, School of Nursing, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill*

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