

# Northeastern University

## Bouvé College of Health Sciences

### PHD IN NURSING PROGRAM



*The Joyce C. Clifford Scholarship & PhD Reception, October 6, 2014*

#### Calling all Applicants!

The PhD program is currently accepting applications for fall 2015. Do you have a student or colleague who you think would be interested in the PhD program? Send their name and email to [A.Murphy@neu.edu](mailto:A.Murphy@neu.edu) and we'll reach out to them.

#### Student Accomplishments

**Anna Etchin** received the Joyce C. Clifford Scholarship. Clifford was credited with developing the "primary nursing" model where an individual nurse cares for a particular patient throughout a hospital stay.

**Daniel David's** poster abstract was accepted by ENRS. He will be presenting at the conference on April 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Kerry Nolte's** abstract has been accepted by ENRS paper presentation. She will be giving a talk on April 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Abdul Albougami's** poster was accepted by ENRS.

#### Upcoming Events

**Dr. Linda Pellico, PhD, MSN, CNS-BC, RN** will be giving a presentation titled: "Looking is Not Seeing and Listening is Not Hearing: the art-and music to improve nurses perceptual abilities."

Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015 from 2:30-4:00pm in Curry, Room 440.

#### ENRS 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Sessions

Nursing Science, Evidence, and Policy: Creating a Culture of Health will take place in Washington, DC on April 15-17, 2015. For more information, visit <http://www.enrs-go.org/html/2015-conference.html>

#### Research Practicum Spotlights

As part of the PhD program, all students complete a Research Practicum with a seasoned researcher. The purpose of the practicum is to develop student research skills through engagement with an active research project. **Anna Etchin** is currently completing her research practicum at the VA Hospital in Bedford. **Kathryn Robinson** is working with a research team at Dana Farber.

#### An introduction from the new PhD in Nursing Director Dr. Barbara Guthrie



Welcome! I'm excited to be a part of Northeastern University's School of Nursing community.

Prior to arriving at Northeastern University's School of Nursing, I was the Independence Foundation Professor of Nursing and, for seven years, the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs at the Yale University School of Nursing (YSN). I began my educational journey at Howard University's Freedmen's Hospital School of Nursing and continued on to receive my bachelor's degree in nursing from Boston University. I received my master's of science in nursing in family health from Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, and my PhD from the New York University School of Nursing.

My collaborative research efforts focus on girl's health as a socially embedded process that is intersectionally influenced by the social and structural determinants of health. My research has been funded by such agencies as the National Institute of Drug Abuse, National Cancer Institute (NCI), and National Institute for Nursing Research.

As the new Director of the PhD program, my two long-term goals are to recruit and educate the next generation of diverse nurse scientist! In concert with the nursing and wider Northeastern faculty, my other goal is to cultivate an environment that fosters intellectual inquiry, passion, and commitment to make a difference in the health and well-being of all people through the advancement of nursing science.

**Questions or updates?  
Email Alice Murphy at  
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# INTRODUCING THE COHORT OF 2014!

## SEPTEMBER 2014 COHORT



**Anna Etchin, BSN, RN** is a 2010 graduate of the University of Massachusetts Lowell, School of Nursing. After graduation, she provided direct care to adult and geriatric veterans for three years at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Bedford, Massachusetts. As a nursing staff, she quickly became cognizant of the need to improve the quality of life of her patients who are generally affected by poor self-management of their chronic illnesses. Her goal is to pursue a PhD in nursing to garner research knowledge, skills, and experiences essential to addressing self-care management of the chronic illnesses among our veterans at the national level. She strongly believes that future veterans' health care must focus on maximizing access to health care and minimizing costs. This includes promoting patient centered approaches to self-care and life adjustments that ultimately lead to reducing unnecessary hospitalizations, ensuring health equity, and improving care of vulnerable populations. Anna is a recipient of the 2015 Jonas-Shwartz Fellowship and the 2014 Joyce C. Clifford Scholarship.



**Bertha Lee, BSN, RN** is a graduate of Boston College's Connell School of Nursing. After graduation, she began working at Brigham and Women's Hospital on a medical intermediate care unit where she has been working with older adults for six years. She is currently pursuing her PhD in nursing to create new knowledge in the field of older adults aging at home. She strongly believes that improving care for this growing aging population is key to reducing healthcare costs and promoting high quality of life and safety. As a graduate assistant, Bertha works with older adults in the Boston Housing Authority. She is a recipient of the 2014 Genevieve Hope Blaney Award of the Gretchen Stone Cook Foundation and the 2013 BWH Medicine Housestaff Nursing Award.

## JANUARY 2014 COHORT



**Siobon Barrett, BSN, RN-BC** is a 2004 graduate of Northeastern University's School of Nursing. After graduation, she worked as a nurse in a cardiac step down unit for 2 years at Saint Francis Hospital in Connecticut. For the past ten years she has been working at Massachusetts General Hospital on a Thoracic Medical and Surgical unit. For her graduate assistantship, Siobon disseminates a research intervention on HIV prevention to women utilizing Boston Public Health Services. Her goal is to pursue a PhD in nursing to create new knowledge around issues that contribute to African Americans being diagnosed with advanced lung cancer at time of diagnosis. She wants to understand what contributes to late diagnosis of lung cancer among this population and what role healthcare's stigmatization of smoking plays in this process. She hopes new research will inform future interventions on this phenomenon. She is ANCC Board Certified in Med/Surg Nursing and a 2014-2015 recipient of the Jonas Scholar Award.



**Kathryn Robinson, MHA/Ed., RN** is a 2013 graduate of Northeastern University's School of Nursing. Prior to graduate school, she attended the University of New Hampshire where she received degrees in Biochemistry and Healthcare Administration and Education. Afterwards, she taught science for five years at a private high school in New Hampshire. Her goal is to pursue a PhD in nursing to advance the knowledge and science of breast cancer among survivors and their families. Kate is the recipient of the Vivian Allen and MediTech Scholarship, and a recipient of the 2014 Jonas Scholar Award. She is also the Founder of the Bouvé interprofessional student-driven committee, iRISE (Interprofessional Research, Innovate, Serve & Educate).



**Casey Garvey, BSN, RN** is a 2012 graduate of Northeastern University's School of Nursing. After graduation, he worked in the Infection Control Unit at Massachusetts General Hospital where he gained an interest in infectious diseases. His primary research focus is on the patient perspective and perceptions of infectious diseases, particularly chronic illnesses like Hepatitis C. Ultimately, he hopes that by uncovering patient perceptions and experiences of illness, researchers and clinicians will be better placed to predict health behavior and aid patients through difficult periods of disease in their lives. He is currently conducting a project to develop campus-wide data and safety monitoring guidelines for studies conducted at Northeastern. Casey was awarded the School of Nursing Academic Promise Award in 2012 which guaranteed his placement in the Ph.D. program. Casey is a recipient of the 2014 Jonas Scholar Award. He is currently working with Dr. John Griffith of the Bouvé Office of Research as a graduate assistant and working per-diem at the Infection Control Unit at Massachusetts General Hospital.