The School of Nursing is Proud to Introduce the following New & Returning Faculty
(in alphabetical order)

**Ayla Anderson, BSN, RN. (Adjunct)** Ayla graduated from the Accelerated Nursing Program at Minnesota State University, Mankato in 2009. Ayla will be teaching both a section of the Psychomotor Strategies course with clinical, located at the Mapleton Nursing Home. Her health care interest is in ER, mental health, and long term care. Her research interests are in restraints and seclusion in facilities with the mentally ill.

**Mary Bohlmann, BSN, RN, PHN (Adjunct)** Mary graduated from Minnesota State University. Mary is a certified public health nurse. Her teaching area is community public health. Her health care interests are community based. Her research areas of interest is healthy communities and how we accomplish this, as well as “Nun Study”. Her current project is “Heart of New Ulm Study”.

**Susan Clarkson, BSN, RN, PHN (Adjunct)** Susan graduated from Mount Mercy. Susan is certified in public health. Susan will be teaching a section of Community Health Clinical. She has worked in hospice, public health, med-surg, oncology and rehabilitation.

**Laura Crabtree, BSN, RN (Adjunct)** Laura graduated from the University of Minnesota with a BA in Biology in 2003, and then Minnesota State University, Mankato in 2008 with her BSN. Laura’s teaching area will be Psychomotor Skills. Laura’s health care interests lie in critical care—ER/ICU.
Renee Gleitz, BSN, CWCN (Adjunct), Renee is currently in the FNP program at MSU Mankato. Renee will be teaching a section of Psychomotor Strategies. Renee’s health care interests are in emergency nursing, wound, ostomy, continence, and diabetic education. Renee is currently working on her thesis titled “Successful Aging and Implications for Family Nursing”.

Jennifer Demma, BA, BSN, RN, MSN, CNM (Assist. Prof) Jennifer is a certified nurse-midwife. Jennifer will be teaching Reproductive Health, Women’s Health, and Obstetrics & Gynecology at both the undergrad and graduate level. Jennifer’s health care interests are in women’s health, integrative health, complementary & alternative medicine, and patient education/behavior change. Jennifer is currently working with a non-profit group in Haiti.

Mary Gregg, MSN, RN-BC, CRRN (Adjunct), Mary is an ANCC certified in adult health, nurse case management, and is a Certified Rehabilitation RN. She will be teaching a section of Altered Physiological Mode Clinical I & II. Her health care interests are in nurse case management. She is currently a volunteer for the American Nurses Credentialing Center, Chair-Content Expert Panel-Nurse Case Management

Kassi Hirschey, RN, BSN (Adjunct), Kassi is currently in the process of obtaining her MSN at the College of St. Catherines. She will be teaching a section of Child Health Clinical. Her health care interests are in pediatrics, with an emphasis on infants. She has a background in NICU. Her current project is titled “Prophylactic antibiotic administration for children with hydronephrosis.”

Cecelia (Cel) Jennewein, APRN, BC, KN, MS, (Adjunct) Cel graduated from the Univ. of MN with her MS degree. Cel will be teaching a section of the Mental Health Clinical. Her health care interest is in mental health.
**Erica Jordahl, RN, BSN (Adjunct)**, Erica will be teaching a section of the Gerontological Clinical. Her health care interests are in ICU/critical care, mental health, and Oncology. Her research interests are in patient and family centered care, and planetree theory.

**Rick Krant, RN, MSN, LNHA (Adjunct)**, Rick obtained his Nursing Home Administration degree at the University of Minnesota. Rick will be teaching Gerontological Nursing theory. Rick’s health care interests are in community education outreach, geriatrics, and Emergency Medical Services. Some of Rick’s research interests are in expectations, and driving forces of an aging society on the healthcare system—implications to nursing practice.

**Susan Majerus, MSN, RN C-FNP, (Assist. Prof)** Susan is an ANCC Family Nurse Practitioner. Susan will be teaching at the graduate level, Advanced Pharmacology and Advanced Practice FNP I at the graduate level and also a course in the RN Baccalaureate Completion Program. Her health care interests are in women’s health, psychology, chronic disease, and family nursing.

**Nancy Miller, RN. BSN (Adjunct)** Nancy is a Mankato State University Alumni. Nancy is ANCC certified. Nancy will be teaching a section of Psychomotor Strategies, with an associated clinical at Oaklawn Nursing Home. Nancy’s health care interests are in triage-telephone, community and emergency. Nancy’s research interest is in Charge Syndrome.

**Angela Mott, BSN, RN, PHN. (Adjunct)** Angela is a Minnesota State University alumni. Angela will be teaching a section of Gerontology Clinical. Angela’s health care interests are in health promotion, memory care/dementia.
**Heidi Otto, RN, BSN, PHN, IBCLC (Adjunct)** Heidi is also a MSU alum. Heidi will be teaching a section of the Community Health Clinical. Heidi’s primary health care interest is in family health and all related items. Heidi also loves to teach—anything and anyone! Heidi’s research interest is in lactation. Heidi is currently working on obtaining her masters degree.

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**Kari Ryan, RN (Adjunct)** Kari will be teaching Altered Physiologic Mode Clinical I & II. Her health care interests are in acute care, home care, and alternative health. Her research interests are “The Blue Flame”, when do students/new graduates transition to critical thinking RN’s?—what helps the process, what hampers the process?

**Kay Ribbel, RN, BSN (Adjunct)** Kay graduated in 2009 from Presentation College, and is a member of Sigma Theta Tau. She is ACLS certified. Kay will be teaching two sections of Psychomotor Strategies in Nursing II. Kay’s health care interests are in cardiac/pulmonary, ER, and ICU. Kay’s research area is in Emergency Preparedness.

**Kimberly Rydeen, RN, BSN (Adjunct)** Kimberly is currently pursuing a Masters of Science in Community Health Education here at MSU Mankato. She is certified as a public health nurse, as well as AANAC. Kimberly will be teaching a section of Gerontological Clinical. Kimberly’s health care interest is in chronic disease prevention and management, community health and wellness.
Deb Schiller, APRN, BC (Adjunct) Deb graduated from Winona State Univ. Deb is certified as an Adult Clinical Nurse Specialist, ACLS-BLS, and TNCC. Deb will be teaching a section of Altered Physiological Mode Clinical II. Deb’s area of health care interest is in intensive care nursing, teaching/precepting, and trauma nursing.

Laura Schwarz, DNP, RN (Assist. Prof) Laura is a MSU Mankato DNP graduate. She will be teaching several courses in the RN Baccalaureate Completion Program. She is currently working on Publication of Mentoring Handbook and dissemination of related research. She is also preparing to take the CNE certification exam.

Robert Sivanich, MSN, RNC, BA (Adjunct) Robert is a Certified Psychiatric nurse, as well as an Honor Society of Nursing member. His teaching area is in mental health. His health care interests are chronobiology and psychiatric nursing.

Kelli Smith, PhD, RN, (Adjunct) She is a 2009 graduate of Capella University with a PhD in Education. Her teaching area will be in the RN Baccalaureate Completion Program. Her health care interests are in chronic illness management. Her research interest is in nursing curriculum. She is currently working on a poster for NLN Summit “Creation of an Evidence-Based Baccalaureate RN Program”.

Darlene Thompson, RN, BSN (Adjunct) Darlene is a MSU alumni. She is certified as a public health nurse. Darlene will be teaching a section of Community Health Clinical. Darlene’s health care interests are in end of life care and hospice nursing.
Liz Waters, RN, BSN (Adjunct) Liz is currently certified in ACLS, PALS, NALS, and TNCC. Liz will be teaching a section of Altered Physiological Mode Clinical II. Liz’s area of health care and research interest lie in rural health care. Liz is currently a Family Nurse Practitioner student in the masters program at Minnesota State University, Mankato.

Jenny Whitney, MA, PNP, RN (Adjunct) Jenny graduated from the College of St. Catherines in St. Paul as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner. Her teaching area will be pediatrics. Jenny’s health care interests are in pediatric primary care, adolescent health, patient/parent education and anticipatory guidance. Jenny’s research interests include vitamin D deficiency during infancy, and evidence based practice and what is best for

“A nurse is compassion in scrubs.”

-- Lexie Saige

“Nurses are the heartbeat of health care”
—Anonymous

“Caring is the essence of nursing” —Leninger

“Behind every good doctor is a great nurse!”
—Anonymous

“When you’re a nurse you know that every day you will touch a life or a life will touch yours. —Anonymous