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## NEW STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEM ARRIVES AT BSMCON!

*“Students will now have the ability to plan their entire program through an automated degree progress tool. This allows students a better understanding of academic requirements, and improves the students’ experience at Bon Secours.”*

**Dia Lisner, Registrar**



You may have heard that we are implementing a new Student Information System (SIS), which is a software package from Campus Management called CampusNexus that will replace SonisWeb — the College’s 15-year-old legacy system.

CampusNexus will enable the College to more quickly and effectively communicate with current students. This new system will allow Student Account, Financial Aid, Academic Record, Degree Progress and Advising information to be available in one student portal. Beginning October 10th you will have access to the CampusNexus portal. Faculty and staff will continue to receive training throughout the next two months. This will include step by step directions regarding portal login, registration, advising and more.

Here are some ways CampusNexus will improve the faculty and staff experience at Bon Secours Memorial College of Nursing.

- **Students and advisors access the same advising tool, seeing the same data**  
“A student can run a degree audit from their self-service portal in Campus Nexus at any time. When the student meets with an advisor, the advisor sees the same degree audit, so they’re working from the same information,” said Regina Welch, SIS project director.
- **Automated tasks save time and effort**  
“The new software automatically

matches the student’s courses against their degree requirements, allowing student to see their progress to degree completion in real time,” said, Jami Poag, Director of Student Success.

- **Eligibility to graduate**  
“One of the key benefits of the advising tool is that everyone — the Office of the



Registrar, students, their advisors — has the same information about a student to determine eligibility to graduate,” said, Leslie Winston, Dean of Student Services.

- **An exciting transformation**  
Excitement continues to build over the many improvements that the new SIS will provide. It supports virtually all key functions and processes across the College, including enrollment, academic advising, registration, financial aid, and student accounts. As the system implementation progresses, watch for updates on how different components of the SIS will benefit you in your academic journey.

# EARLY CAREER DECISION DAY A SUCCESS!



We had another successful day of job interviews for our seniors. A total of 44 seniors completed more than 225 interviews for positions system-wide! We have several seniors who have accepted positions and several more that are pending. Haven't secured a position yet?



Contact Allison\_Peterson@bshsi.org, our Career Counselor who can help with resumes, interview prep and more.



# COFFEE & CONVERSATION WITH DEAN SORBELLO

Dr. Sorbello hosted two Coffee and Conversation with the Dean sessions this semester, one on September 16 and the other on September 29.



The topic for conversation was Person Centric Care. Twenty nine students attended the sessions and the dialogue centered on coming to know the stories of the persons we care for, establishing authentic presence, embracing the importance of connection, and how creating these connections not only benefits our patients but ourselves. Establishing caring relationships with those we care for and about, contributes to nurses' finding meaning in our work which is important in preventing nurse burnout. Thanks to everyone who attended.



Dr. Sorbello holds these sessions each semester.



# STUDENT PRESENTS POSTER AT VNA FALL CONFERENCE

Recent RN-BSN graduate Christine (Christie) Robinson presented a poster at the VNA conference held in September at the Short Pump Hilton in Richmond. Her poster was on a Quality Improvement (QI) project that she started in her Synthesis course (NUR 4242) this past summer.

"The purpose of this quality improvement project was to achieve a reduction in intravenous administration medication errors in the Cardiovascular Intensive Care Unit (CVICU). Opportunities for medication administration errors in an intensive care unit are greater given the complex environment and the critical condition of the patients," Christie said. "Being a poster presenter allowed me to educate other nurses regarding practice changes that were made with intravenous medication administration and how positive outcomes can be achieved with education implementation and change."



The Virginia Nurses Association (VNA) Fall Conference provides opportunities for nurses across the Commonwealth to learn about nursing innovations, research, and education.

# PEER TUTORS AVAILABLE!

Peer Tutors are now available Monday through Thursday each week. Our wonderful team of seven tutors will help with you study skills tips, test taking strategies, and more! Contact the tutor directly to schedule a time or simply drop in. Find the schedule under Student Success, Peer Tutoring or pick up a copy in the rack outside the Auditorium. If you have questions contact Jami Poag, Director of Student Success at Jami\_Poag@bshsi.org or Allison Peterson, Career Counselor at Allison\_Peterson@bshsi.org.

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