
Josephine Jennette LoCoco

PROFESSOR OF NURSING

Nursing career spanning 20 years as a Registered Nurse and 5 years as a professor of nursing. Have dedicated my career to nursing care and patient safety and expanded that career with educating future nurses on safe and effective nursing care. Provided excellent nursing care to patients and families, as well as collaborating effectively with other medical professionals and administrators. Educate students on providing nursing care and collaborate with other faculty, staff and leadership teams to help students reach their educational goals.

LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION

Texas Board of Registered Nursing 2001 – Present
Registered Nurse License

- License Number: #673430

California Board of Registered Nursing 1999 – Present
Registered Nurse License

- License Number: #558724

Indiana Board of Registered Nursing 2019 – Present
• License Number: #28249198A

Washington Board of Registered Nursing 2019 – Present
• License Number: #60928309

American Red Cross 1996 - Present

- Basic Life Support
- Advanced Cardiac Life Support
- Pediatric Advanced Life Support

Other Certificates

- Emergency Nurse Pediatric Course
- Trauma Nurse Core Curriculum

EDUCATION

Texas Woman's University 2013
Master of Science in Nursing Education

California State University San Bernardino 1999
B.S. Nursing

California State University Fullerton 1993

- General education and pre-requisite courses for nursing
- Dean's list

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Grayson College

Aug,2020 – Present

Professor of Nursing

Faculty for the second semester nursing students and clinical instructor. Assist with Lab instruction, didactic instruction and clinical learning.

Western Governors University

2018 – Present

Health Professions Evaluator

Work as an evaluator for the RN-BSN program for the Systems Operations and Evidence Based Practice courses.

Collin College McKinney, TX

2013 – Nov 2019

collin.edu

Center of Excellence in Nursing Education by the NLN

Director of Nursing

Serving as the director of the ADN nursing program. Managed staff and faculty. Involved in budget items, hiring of new employees and day to day operations of the program including updating the Systematic Plan for Evaluation. Attended ACEN conference for accreditation in Spring of 2019.

Professor of Nursing

Started as adjunct faculty as a pediatric clinical instructor. Have been employed as a full-time professor of nursing for 3 years. For the past year served as the Coordinator for the mobility program in the nursing department.

Accomplishments:

- Mentored graduate students in nursing education. Assisted with developing an educational plan with these students to achieve their course objectives.
- Served on the Curriculum Committee for 3 years. Developed proposals for possible changes to course work; gathered data to assist in putting together the SPE report; reviewed student evaluations to gather data on how to improve the program for students.
- Served on the Student Affairs Committee for 3 years. Review of student and faculty handbooks for any revisions as needed; assisted with class selection into the nursing program and updating the core requirements of students for entry.
- Member of the Wild West college committee for 2 years. Collaborate with other college professors and staff to conduct a student event; involves planning and implementing games, prizes and activities to support student life on campus.
- Representative of Collin College's nursing program at a local community middle school's career fair for the past 3 years; assist middle school students with understanding about the nursing career and answer any questions that they may have; teach these students how to listen to heart sounds and provide a mannequin for students to listen to.

Texas Tech University Dallas, TX satellite campus

2014 - Present

Pediatric Clinical Instructor

Clinical instructor for nursing students in the accelerated nursing program. Assist with their learning of pediatric specific needs and care.

Baylor Scott and White McKinney McKinney, TX

2014 - 2018

Registered Nurse

Worked as a float pool nurse for the hospital. Assist with any staffing needs in the hospital and can float to either the emergency department, progressive care unit, Med/Surg unit, Day surgery, new family unit, and have occasionally floated to the NICU to care for neonates that were stable and needed some time to gain weight.

University of Texas Arlington, TX

2014

Registered Nurse

Assisted the university with a need as a clinical instructor for a pediatric clinical group in the Veteran's program at the university.

Children's Medical Center Plano, TX

2008-2014

childrens.com

Registered Nurse

Registered nurse for the pediatric emergency department for 5 years, transferred to population health in a care manager position.

Accomplishments:

- Nominated for the nursing excellence award
- Assisted with the opening of the hospital's emergency room, organizing materials and planning and staffing of the emergency department.
- Collaborated with community pediatric providers to assist with patient and family needs after inpatient discharge or discharge from the emergency department.
- Assisted with the asthma program in finding patients that qualified for the asthma grant which assisted patients with asthma care needs.

Baylor Scott and White Irving Irving, TX

2008

Registered Nurse

Staff nurse in the emergency department. Moved to McKinney, Tx and received a job closer to family.

St. Joseph Hospital Orange, CA

2002-2008

Registered Nurse

Staff nurse in a large 52 bed emergency room. This facility provided shared services with Children's Hospital Orange County (CHOC). Trained as a pediatric emergency nurse as well as adult emergency nursing. Trained in the emergency severity index (ESI). Certified as a Chest pain center and level 3 trauma. Also, cross trained in interventional radiology at the hospital.

Accomplishments:

- Collaborated with women's services and the Chaplin to incorporate the hospital's grief program for women that had prenatal loss into the ED. Educated the staff on the program and how to help the families of prenatal loss find support.
- Mentored new graduate of nursing in emergency care.
- Preceptor for nursing students during their capstone course in nursing school.
- Assisted with initiating and organizing a clothing drive to give to patients in need.
- Collaborated with providers and the nurse educator to incorporate sepsis protocols and new ACLS standards.

Baylor Medical Center Grapevine, TX

2002

Registered Nurse

Trained in emergency nursing. Transferred from Baylor University Medical Center to Grapevine for the emergency department. Moved from Texas to California

Baylor University Medical Center Dallas, TX 2001-2002

Registered Nurse

Cared for telemetry patients on a surgical cardiothoracic unit. Involved with caring for patients with different medication drips and chest tubes post open heart surgery. Transferred from floor to Baylor in Grapevine, TX.

Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian Newport Beach, CA 1999-2001

Registered Nurse

Started as a graduate nurse on a medical/ surgical telemetry unit. Trained in ECG reading and caring for patients post open heart surgery.

Disneyland Park Anaheim, CA 1994-1999

Culinary Hostess

Provided guest service and maintained guest satisfaction by interacting with guests and children.

Accomplishments:

- Trainer of new employees
- Worked with the summer study program to help gather park and guest data that was used to implement changes to improve the park and guest experience.

MEMBERSHIPS

Texas Organization for Associate Degree Nursing 2015 - Present

Golden Key International Honour Society

Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing

Emergency Nurses Association

inactive status

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Represented Collin College as a volunteer at a local community hot air balloon festival 5K marathon.
- Nurse Camp faculty volunteer, 2017, 2018
- Volunteered with 1st semester nursing students at a local community fall ghost walk event.
- American Heart Association Heart Walk: Assisted with raising money by volunteering time and walking 3 miles for the prevention of heart disease and stroke, 2003, 2005, 2006. In 2007 was appointed as team captain.
- Nurse volunteer at a local community golf tournament in Newport Beach, CA