



Chrislyn M. Senneff

DNP Student – St. Anthony College of Nursing (Anticipated graduation fall 2020)

MSN – St. Anthony College of Nursing, 2009

BSN – Benedictine University, 2006

ADN – Highland Community College, 1997

Chrislyn Senneff began her professional journey at Highland Community College (HCC), Freeport IL over two decades ago when she entered the Nursing Program and began working toward her dream vocation as a Registered Nurse (RN). In the years following she grew into an experienced professional working in various areas of healthcare including; Emergency/Trauma Nursing, Labor & Delivery as well as Postpartum Nursing. It was in these areas where she grew passionate for the diverse patient populations (Psychiatric, Maternal and Newborn Infants) she had dedicated herself to.

After earning her Associate Degree of Nursing (ADN) she served as a nursing tutor for HCC nursing students. She was driven by her fondness for teaching, and commitment to life-long learning that she earned a second associate degree (HCC) followed by a Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing Degree (Benedictine University, Lisle, IL) and finally her Master's of Science in Nursing with a emphasis in Nursing Education (St. Anthony College of Nursing, Rockford IL). In 2006, Chrislyn was hired at HCC as a clinical nursing instructor and following the completion of her Master's in 2009 she joined the nursing staff full-time. Currently, she is a full-time tenured nursing instructor, teaching both 1st and 2nd level students in the classroom, lab and clinical environment.

Chrislyn has taught a variety of courses and their clinical components including: Clinical Development 1, Perspectives/Leadership in Nursing, Fundamentals of Nursing, Maternal/Child Nursing, Introduction to Mental Health Nursing Concepts, Psychiatric Nursing, and Community Health Nursing. She is known to possess admirable interpersonal and communication skills, is respectful, enthusiastic and loyal. Her goal is to work alongside her students as an educator, healthcare partner and advocate while encouraging them to work diligently on the road to developing their critical thinking skills while delivering safe, unsurpassed care as they reach their goals. In addition, Chrislyn hopes to instill in each student a desire to assist, advocate and embrace diverse populations, including those who face stigma are often unheard and in most need. She is known to encourage her students to engage in not only life-long learning but life-long service work.

Chrislyn has recently returned back to her Alma Mater, St. Anthony College of Nursing in her quest to complete her Doctorate of Nursing Practice-Academic Leadership (DNP) degree. She plans to complete this program in the fall of 2020. Her project focus will involve mental health/illness, an area she is passionate about.

Chrislyn is an admirer of the following individuals whom she considers to be two of the most influential humanitarians: Mahatma Gandhi and Mother Teresa

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others." ~Gandhi

"It's a kindly act to assist the fallen." ~Mother Teresa