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# Registered Nursing Program Pinning Ceremony

Class of Fall 2019



December 19, 2019, 11 a.m.

Bunker Hill Community College  
Charlestown Campus  
Health & Wellness Center Gymnasium



## The Nursing Pin

The tradition of the nursing pin and the ceremonial pinning originated in the 1860s at the Nightingale School of Nursing at St. Thomas Hospital in London. Having been recently awarded the Red Cross of St. George for her selfless service to the injured and dying in the Crimean War, Florence Nightingale chose to extend the honor to her most outstanding graduate nurses by presenting them each with a medal of excellence. The Pinning Ceremony now marks the passage from the student role to the practice role.

The pin of each school of nursing is unique, and only graduates of that school may wear the pin as a statement that they have completed that program. Bunker Hill Community College's pin is hexagon in shape and depicts the Bunker Hill Monument.

## The Nightingale Pledge

The Nightingale Pledge, an adaptation of the Hippocratic Oath taken by physicians, was composed by Lystra Gretter, an instructor of nursing at the old Harper Hospital in Detroit, Michigan, and was first used by its graduating class in the Spring of 1893. Following is an adaptation of the original pledge:

I solemnly pledge myself before God and in the presence of this assembly, to pass my life in purity and to practice my profession faithfully. I will abstain from whatever is deleterious and mischievous, and will not take or knowingly administer any harmful drug. I will do all in my power to maintain and elevate the standard of my profession, and will hold in confidence all personal matters committed to my keeping and all family affairs coming to my knowledge in the practice of my calling. With loyalty will I endeavor to aid the physician, in his work, and devote myself to the welfare of those committed to my care.

*Guests are invited to attend a reception immediately following the program.*

## Welcome

Elizabeth Tobin, *Director, Nurse Education*

## Processional

Nursing Students

## Student Speakers

Joanne Smith, *Day Option*

Deidre Griffiths, *ALT Option*

## Graduating Students–Day Option

Seraphine Aponglen	Stephanie MacMillan	Joanne Smith
Isabella Bjork	Maria Maldonado	Arlin Varela
Sameika Dastine	Christine Paredes	Xuebiao Zhao
Julianne Davis Dos Santos	Teresa Pina	Chen Zong
Rameses Janvier	Maria Restrepo	
Tong Mei Lin	Amy Richards	

## Graduating Students–Alternative Program

Bevis Agabu	Deidre Griffiths	Olena Sargsyan
Meghan Barry	Marie Hovis	Amanda Zuazua
Tracey Dusablon	Gregory Karsner	
Claudia Figueroa	Cynthia Ramirez	
Silvia Foresteire	Christina Sanon	

## Florence Nightingale Pledge

Nursing Students and Faculty

## Closing Remarks

Elizabeth Tobin, *Director of Nurse Education*

## Recessional

Nursing Students

## Leadership in Attendance

James F. Canniff, Ed.D., *Provost and Vice President*

Maryanne Atkinson, *Dean of Health Sciences*

Donna Savino, *Assistant Dean of Health Sciences*

Kristen Wenger, *Department Chair*