



Western Kentucky University
UA60 College of Applied Arts & Health
Series 4 Nursing

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Administrative History: A nursing program was begun in 1962 and housed for a time in the Ogden Department of Science. Between 1964 and June 1969 it was grouped with "unassigned departments" reporting to the Associate Dean for Undergraduate Instruction. The associate degree in nursing was accredited in 1996.

The College of Applied Arts & Health was created in July 1969 and Nursing was moved under that umbrella. A bachelor's degree in nursing was accredited in 1979. When the College of Applied Arts & Health disbanded in June 1981, Nursing was moved to the College of Science, Technology & Health (Ogden College of Science & Engineering). A master's degree program was added in 1995.

Nursing moved to the College of Health & Human Services in July 2001. The School of Nursing was created on July 1, 2007 by the Board of Regents. It was reorganized and renamed School of Nursing & Allied Health in 2019.

ADN accredited by National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) since 1966.

Department heads:

Lucy Erwin 1964-1974

Interim 1974-1975

Virginia Lehmenkuler 1975-1979

Mary Hazzard 1980-1997

Kay Carr, interim 1997-1999

Jdee Richardson 1999-2001

Donna Blackburn 2001-2007

Mary Bennett 2007-2022

Liz Sturgeon, interim 2023-present

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