

October 20th, 2015

RESUME Jean Nicolson-Church**EMPLOYMENT HISTORY****Present Position** Associate Dean, Faculty of Health, Kwantlen Polytechnic University, BC
July/06 - Present

I am responsible for eight programs, including three nursing degree programs (Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Bachelor of Science second degree and Bachelor of Psychiatric Nursing) as well as nursing re-entry programs and a Special Education Teaching Assistant program which prepares students to work with students who have developmental challenges. This program has recently moved to the Faculty of Arts. I was also acting and Interim Dean in 2009 and 2010.

My duties include direct supervision and recruitment, selections, and workloads for more than 100 faculty members and staff, evaluations of same, working within the two collective agreements, as well as the overall maintenance and revision required for the curricula in the programs. I am also responsible for student and faculty complaints, appeals, and discipline. I am an active member of a number of committees both internally and externally representing the University.

Past Position Coordinator, Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Bachelor of Psychiatric Nursing, Kwantlen University College, 12666-72nd Ave. Surrey, BC

Jan/05 – June/06

Duties included enhancing educational experiences of students, support for students with learning challenges, support for faculty, including orientation of new faculty, scheduling, facilitating workloads, chairing committees, developing and maintaining program records, and developing and implementing program policy and procedures. I was involved through all parts of the curriculum development and program implementation for the Bachelor of Psychiatric Nursing.

Past Position Faculty, Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Kwantlen University College

Sept/98 – Dec/04

Duties included teaching and clinical supervision in the Collaborative Nursing Curriculum. I have taught many courses and levels including Semester 7 (Nurses Influencing Change) theory and practice courses, Medical clinical experience (Consolidated Practice Experience 1) Mental Health clinical experience (Semester Five), Professional Growth for Semesters 1,4, and 8 students, Self & Others for Semesters 2 and 7, Health for Semester 5 and 8, as well as preceptorships for Bridge-Out, Consolidate Practice Experience 4, and Semester 8.

I was involved in developing and providing workshops for a Mentorship partnership with the South Fraser Health Region. I developed a workbook and facilitator's guide for our Health Labour Adjustment Agency, and our Forensic Psychiatric Service. I have done a number of formal presentations at conferences on the use of mentoring as a strategy to recruit and retain nurses, including student nurses, most recently for the Perioperative Nurses Organization. I was also Admissions Chair for the BSN program for four years.

Past Position Provincial Nurse Consultant (CN5),
Health Services for Community Living (HSCL)
#302, 10090 152 St., Surrey, B.C., V3R 8X8

Jan/97 to Aug/98

Duties included the provision of consultation and professional support to Community Living nurses throughout the province, program and policy development, and program evaluation.

Past Position Nurse 4 (Instructor)
Mental Health Education Services,
B.C. Mental Health Society, Riverview Hospital,
500 Lougheed Highway, Port Coquitlam, B.C.

June/92 to Jan/97

Duties included developing and coordinating training programs including CPR, NVCI, Back and Wellness Programs for staff. Training and supervising instructors, evaluating and revising programs as necessary and developing learning/teaching resources as well as nursing and hospital policy, procedure, and clinical practice guideline development.

I also contracted with Kwantlen and Douglas College for a number of courses and functions in psychiatric and general nursing programs, including the Advanced Diploma in Psychiatric Nursing, Community Support Worker Programs for adults with developmental challenges, Special Education Teacher Assistant Program and have done tutoring and coordination for Graduate Nurse Re-Entry Programs.

EDUCATION

PhD in Nursing Education: University of Northern Colorado, 2012.

Post-Masters Certificate in Nursing Education: University of Northern Colorado completed in 2008.

MSN (education stream) completed at UBC in 1994.

BSN University of British Columbia completed in 1977.

RN Diploma British Columbia Institute of Technology completed in 1972.

I have attended a number of workshops, seminars, and conferences in a variety of fields. I have presented at many conferences including the International Forensic Nursing Conference, Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing, Kaleidoscope, the annual meeting of the BCACL (Association for Community Living), and was on a panel for community living at the Health Odyssey conference. I co-presented at an International Nurse Educator's Conference in Hong Kong (November, 2007). With a colleague from Thailand, we presented our partnership in providing community practice experiences for Kwantlen BSN students in Thailand. I was on the Conference Committee and did a panel plenary presentation, along with two concurrent sessions at the Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing Research Conference in 2013.

I have been a CPR and First Aid instructor and have taught many courses of both, as well as Non-Violent Crisis Intervention (CPI), assertiveness, and discrimination/harassment prevention. I have also provided workshops on Issues of Aging and Developmental challenges in the community.

SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE, EXPERIENCE

I have very highly developed nursing, teaching, and leadership skills in the fields of Psychiatry, Mental and Multiple Health Challenges, Professional Development, Personal Care, and Adult Education. I have very strong oral, written, and online communication skills.

I received the RNABC Award of Excellence in Nursing Education in 2001 and the NISOD award for innovation in teaching the same year (Texas). I was also nominated by the University of Northern Colorado for the Association of American Colleges and Universities' Cross award in 2010.

I am involved in a number of external committees representing Kwantlen and the nursing community. These include the Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing (I was on the Board of Directors and Education Committee from 2006 to 2008), Nurse Educators Council of British Columbia (I am on the Executive Committee and also represented NECBC on the Educational Program Review Committee at CRNBC and chaired a sub-committee for Qualifying course review), and the Psychiatric Nurse Educators and Steering Committee for Graduate Education in Psychiatric Nursing. I am also an Assessment Committee Chair for the British Columbia Nurses Union for situations of Professional Responsibility issues.

SPECIAL INTERESTS

My interests lie in the preparation of nurse educators particularly and the education and future for health professionals in general, as well as and professional issues for nurses. I have been on the Board of Directors for CRNBC, and have served on most of the committees of CRNBC, including chairing the Resolutions Committee and Finance Committee. I attend nursing Leader's Conferences regularly.