

Educator / Faculty



RN

Academic educators and faculty members bring pediatric nursing practice to life in classrooms and clinical settings. They develop curricula and instruct, evaluate, and advise students to shape future careers. Their goal is to develop well-prepared nurses who are ready to enter the workforce and make a positive impact on child health.



Committed to growing the next generation of pediatric nurses



Joy of influencing the profession by developing the future workforce



Scholarly drive to conduct research and publish and present findings

Keywords

- Lifelong Learner
- Translating Theory into Practice
- Navigating Professional Politics and Student Needs
- Flexible Schedule
- Scholarship & Ethics

Career Steps

1

Obtain your BSN and pass the NCLEX exam. Apply for RN licensure through your State Board of Nursing.

2

Find employment as a pediatric RN and seek your Certified Pediatric Nurse (CPN) credential from PNCB when you meet eligibility.

3

Obtain a master's degree in nursing education.

4

Seek employment in an undergraduate nursing program at a technical college, community college, or university.

5

Obtain a mentor and craft an individualized plan for promotion or advancement.

6

A master's degree may be the goal for a clinical track educator. Otherwise plan for your academic transition to a doctoral track (PhD vs. DNP).

7

Create a plan to achieve certification as Certified Nurse Educator from the National League for Nursing (options include Academic, Clinical, and Novice).

8

Consider a pathway to become an administrator or dean of a school of nursing.



Links for further reading

- The National League for Nursing: <https://www.nln.org/home>
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