

Welcome to the Nursing Informatics program at the Vanderbilt University School of Nursing, and thank you for choosing us! I am the Director of the MSN Nursing Informatics Specialty Program, and am pleased to personally welcome you to the program. The Informatics faculty and I look forward to guiding you towards becoming a skilled nursing informatics specialist through our MSN program. During the next two years, you will have the opportunity to learn from the wisdom, experience, knowledge, and skills that our nationally-recognized faculty bring to their roles.

We have recently updated and redesigned our informatics program to ensure that our curriculum covers the content and competencies that have emerged over the last few years. Our goal is to ensure that you have skills that span from foundational informatics concepts all the way to the innovative thinking that drives clinical transformation. If you were able to attend one of our Open House sessions in the fall or spring, then you already know a little about our program. If you weren't able to join us, don't worry – our website has a webinar posted, or you can click on the link below to listen:

[Click here to hear about VUSN's NI program](#)

Graduate school is an exciting time of personal and intellectual growth. You may be feeling overwhelmed as you work your way through all the information posted on the VUSN website. Take a deep breath and know that your classmates are likely feeling the same way. Here at the Vanderbilt University School of Nursing, we pride ourselves on our personal touch, and our faculty will walk you through much of the information you need to know during orientation in August. You'll be receiving more communication in the weeks to come with details around logistics for orientation.

On behalf of the entire Nursing Informatics faculty and VUSN, we are excited about the beginning of a new academic year and look forward to meeting you in August! If you have any questions or concerns and can't find the answer on our website, please don't hesitate to contact me at [patricia.r.sengstack@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:patricia.r.sengstack@vanderbilt.edu), or call 615-343-4930.



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