

# Broadening Pathways into Nursing

## The Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis

### Our Vision

From elementary school to a mid-career change, and any stage in between — the Betty Irene Moore School Nursing at UC Davis is supporting the career aspirations of future nurses. Through summer programs, mentoring, an accelerated master’s degree and more, we are expanding pathways for students to successfully enter the nursing field. Taking a collaborative rather than competitive approach, we team up with other nursing schools and community partners to give the next generation of nurses the support they need to pursue their dreams of delivering compassionate, culturally inclusive care.

*“The investment in this program is also an investment in the future of health care and demonstrates to these young people that they bring value to the profession and that they really do have a spot here.”*

- **Piri Ackerman-Barger**,  
Associate dean for Health Equity,  
Diversity and Inclusion and  
SHINES creator

### Shining a Pathway Toward Nursing

The **Summer Health Institute for Nursing Exploration and Success (SHINES)** is an immersive program that encourages diverse high school students (or recently graduated adults) who have an interest in nursing and other health care careers. The purpose of the program is to better prepare participants to make professional and academic decisions about whether nursing is a right fit for them, which nursing pathways would best suit their needs and how to achieve their career goals.

SHINES hosts more than 15 sessions that range from lectures and hands-on workshops to educational experiences in state-of-the-art simulation suites. We also foster professional networks for participants by hosting group mentoring sessions throughout the year, connecting SHINES graduates with experienced School of Nursing alumni.

Philanthropic support for SHINES would allow program leaders to host larger summer cohorts, exposing more students to careers in nursing and helping guide them if they would like to become nurses.

Your philanthropic support will open and broaden pathways of opportunity for the next generation of diverse nursing leaders who will transform health care for all.

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## Accelerating Careers in Nursing

The evolving landscape of health care requires more employers to hire a more skilled workforce with advanced education and significant experience. Programs at the School of Nursing prepare nurses with the knowledge and skills to meet the needs of a constantly changing health care system.

The **Master's Entry Program in Nursing (MEPN)** offers the quickest route toward a registered nursing licensure for adults who would like to transition into this profession. MEPN is led by an interprofessional team of more than 60 faculty from disciplines including health informatics, biostatistics, pharmacy, public health and more. The curriculum prepares students to become leaders in quality and safety, advocates for diverse patient populations, and agents of change for healthier communities.

Philanthropic support for MEPN would allow us to better guide our nursing students through their studies and set them toward a path for success.

## Inspiring Younger Generations

Aiming to better serve future nurses, the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing is developing programs and pursuing partnerships with local school districts and community colleges that will reach students earlier in their academic and professional journeys, giving them the confidence and knowledge to explore what a career in nursing has to offer. We are also cultivating a support system of faculty and staff who reflect the diversity that we hope to see among our School of Nursing students.

## Philanthropic Opportunities

Establish an endowed fund that permanently sustains pathways toward nursing for generations to come

GIFTS STARTING AT \$50,000

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Launch the careers of future nurses via scholarships

GIFTS STARTING AT \$5,000

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Make a gift toward the SHINES program and inspire the next generation of nursing leaders

GIFTS STARTING AT \$5,000

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Support emerging programs that engage younger students

GIFTS STARTING AT \$5,000

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