

Caring for Every Community

The Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis



A Message from the Dean

At the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing, we are redefining today's standard of nursing excellence to prepare innovative thinkers with the courage to reimagine tomorrow's health care systems.

In every program of study, our students—tomorrow's nurses, physician assistants, family nurse practitioners, researchers, educators and hospital administrators—learn to lead the change that is vitally needed in our health care systems and the communities they serve.

In state-of-the-art classrooms and simulation environments, our faculty are preparing rigorously educated caregivers who see beyond a patient's immediate symptoms to understand the unique individual behind them—and the complex array of social, cultural and economic factors impacting their health. Their research is expanding the horizons of nursing science and innovating new health solutions and technologies for a rapidly evolving care environment.

And beyond campus and clinic, we are partnering with community members to identify barriers to their health and advance solutions that improve the well-being of entire populations.

All these pursuits are guided by the broader goal of fostering healthier, more equitable communities. Every day, our faculty, staff and students are finding new ways to achieve that goal—from developing a mobile app to support smoking cessation among those living with HIV, to partnering with faith organizations to develop an innovative care navigator program for congregants with advanced illness, to providing housing assistance for physician assistant and nurse practitioner graduate students throughout their clinical rotations in rural Northern California.

With your support and partnership, we will achieve even greater impact. Together, we will realize a bold vision of health excellence and equity for the benefit of every individual and every community we serve.

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Dean and Professor, Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing





Inaugural Master's Entry Program in Nursing class

A Vision of Health Excellence and Equity

Picture a future in which the paths to health and well-being are open, accessible and equitable.

A future in which every individual can be confident in their ability to secure exceptional health services wherever they need them, from the most remote rural area to the most densely populated urban neighborhood. Every patient benefits from care informed by the latest advances in nursing science as well as a holistic understanding of the complex personal, social and environmental factors impacting their health. Every family caregiver

is supported by health professionals who understand their life dynamics and by user-friendly technologies and innovations that keep them current with the latest clinical guidance. And every community is nurtured by a robust network of comprehensive health expertise and compassionate care.

Every day, the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis is actively working to create this future by elevating the standard of team-based care, addressing health inequities and preparing the next generation of leaders to guide these efforts forward. We have a vision to build even further on

our leadership—preparing collaborative problem solvers and driving innovations that foster stronger, healthier, more equitable communities both locally and globally.

Today, our school is a nationally recognized leader in nursing science, education and engagement. Tomorrow, with the partnership of friends and alumni who share our vision, and fueled by our longstanding commitment to social justice, we will leverage this expertise to benefit every community.

Together, we will work to ensure optimal health and well-being for all.



The Right Time and the Right Place

In an era of rapid technological change and growing socioeconomic disparities, fostering more equitable access to compassionate, top-quality care has never been more important. UC Davis Health is leading the way, guided by a mission to enhance the delivery of care to our communities while finding new ways to make outstanding health care more accessible.

The Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing opened its doors in 2009 through a historic \$100 million philanthropic commitment from the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation, the nation's largest grant ever received for nursing education. As part of UC Davis Health—an integrated academic health system also encompassing the UC Davis School of Medicine, a 625-bed acute-care hospital, and the clinical services of UC Davis Medical Center and UC Davis Medical Group—the School of Nursing is a key element in a robust ecosystem for health care education, research, delivery and innovation.

An exceptional nursing school at the heart of a world-class health ecosystem

As the region's only academic health system and a national hub for basic, translational and clinical research, UC Davis Health provides exceptional care to thousands of patients and their families while making key progress toward the critical goal of health equity for all.

A national leader in nursing education, research and care, the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing is an outstanding example of our health system's impact.

- Ranked among the nation's top 50 nursing schools
- 4 graduate degree programs and a nurse practitioner residency program with clinical placements in underserved areas throughout Northern California
- Partnerships with more than 350 clinical sites and community agencies

As part of UC Davis Health, the school is a key element of a robust academic health system, including:

- UC Davis Medical Center: The only level I trauma center in inland California; ranked among the nation's best hospitals in 9 adult and 4 pediatric medical specialties
- UC Davis School of Medicine: Ranked No. 7 in the U.S. for primary care training
- UC Davis Health Clinics: Serving 17 locations across the region
- World-class clinical centers including a National Cancer Institute-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center

Optimizing Health for All: Philanthropic Opportunities

Philanthropic support creates transformative opportunities for the people and programs that bring the School of Nursing's vision to life. Investments in our students, faculty and research initiatives amplify the impact of our education, scholarship, engagement and care—and expand their reach across the broader communities we serve locally, nationally and globally.

With the support of alumni and friends who share our commitment to ensuring health and well-being for all, we will reach even farther. We invite you to join us in:

Preparing change makers
in health care

Advancing health solutions
to optimize care for all

Fostering healthy, equitable
communities

Supporting older adults and the
families who care for them

Together, we will give individuals and communities the tools and support to lead their best lives, while advancing nursing science to new heights of excellence and ensuring equitable access to outstanding care.



Fostering healthier communities in California and around the world

Growing up in Sierra Leone, Mohamaed Jawara, M.H.S '21 witnessed family and friends suffering from diseases that had been eradicated in other countries. His dream of leading positive change in health care policy and practice led him to UC Davis, where he is studying to become a physician assistant at the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing.

“I want to gain knowledge working in underserved communities in California and one day return home to alleviate my country's burden,” says Jawara. With scholarship support, he says, “I am better able to focus on my studies and acquire the skills necessary to bring about health care reforms.”

Support for the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing helps prepare the future leaders and innovators who will bring health care solutions to the communities that need them most—locally, nationally and globally.

“It never crossed my mind that someone would invest in my education. I consider myself beyond blessed, and I will not let this investment go to waste.”

- MOHAMED JAWARA, M.H.S. '21



Leadership students partner with Sacramento Food Bank and Family Services to support refugee resettlement efforts.

Preparing change makers in health care

Reimagining more effective, more equitable systems of health care starts with preparing the future leaders who will set this vision in motion. Graduates of the School of Nursing are known across our state and nation as forward-thinking, rigorously prepared leaders with the interprofessional experience, commitment to equity and cultural humility to guide lasting change.

Our school is dedicated to supporting these students in every aspect of their education—through our commitment to fostering a culture of inclusive excellence; through providing comprehensive support services that position every talented student to thrive in their programs and their careers; and through team-based clinical

experience and active learning opportunities that prepare them to shape the future of the health professions.

Philanthropic support plays a critical role in helping the school to build even further on its leadership. Scholarship support broadens the paths of opportunity to a world-class nursing education and opens doors for promising scholars and practitioners. Endowing prestigious professorships enables the school to recruit more of the exceptional researchers and clinicians who will mentor the next generation of health care leaders. Support for innovative research and educational programs amplifies the impact of our commitment to equity-focused health care.



Nursing students experience a dementia scenario in the home health simulation suite while classmates observe their interactions.

Advancing health solutions to optimize care for all

The Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing is uniquely positioned to empower patients and families with the tools and support networks to thrive. From groundbreaking telehealth programs that have delivered home-based care to rural and other underserved communities for over 20 years, to a new data collection program that uses machine learning to better track COVID-19 symptoms and predict infection, UC Davis Health researchers are breaking down barriers to care and expanding the horizons of nursing science.

Our faculty are at the forefront of breakthroughs that are grounded in communities of practice and use big data and artificial intelligence to anticipate and solve health problems in new and uniquely powerful

ways. Our innovation in areas like home health technologies and mobile health is the catalyst for solutions that prioritize people and maximize access to top-quality care.

Our faculty and clinicians' leadership shapes equity-focused health policy, drives transformative work that improves the quality of life, and inspires our students—tomorrow's leaders—to change the landscape of health care systems and delivery.

Philanthropic partnership is key to advancing every element of this work—from enhancing simulation spaces that let students engage with innovative caregiving practices, to developing targeted therapies tailored to individual patients.

Harnessing data to enhance and personalize care

Guided by a longtime personal commitment to addressing health care disparities, Robin Whitney came to the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing in 2012 to embark on the Nursing Science and Health Care Leadership doctoral program. Less than two years into her studies, she was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and immediately began an intensive chemotherapy regimen at a Central Valley facility.

After the first round of chemo, she learned that she'd been administered the wrong dosage because of a misinterpretation of an ambiguous order—an alarming error that opened her eyes to the critical importance of interpersonal communication among clinical teams.

That personal experience has continued to shape her perspective as a researcher—first as a doctoral student and now as a faculty member at San Jose State University's Valley Foundation School of Nursing. As a Ph.D. student, Whitney joined an interdisciplinary team of UC Davis researchers from the School of Nursing and the Comprehensive Cancer Center in investigating how tablet computers and social networking software can be used to improve chemotherapy experiences and outcomes for every individual. “Cancer, quality of care and serving the Central Valley—these areas hold personal meaning for me,” she says, “and this is where I hope to make things better for everyone.”

“Conducting systems-level research requires that we use large data sets and examine quality and safety issues from a high level. My experience helps me keep the individual person present in all my research.”

- ROBIN WHITNEY, Ph.D. 2016
Assistant Professor, San Jose State University Valley Foundation
School of Nursing



Whitney, left, with fellow Ph.D. alumna Samantha Blackburn. After her remission, Whitney and Blackburn joined the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Team in Training, which funds blood cancer research and supports those with the disease and their families.



Nursing and medical students visit a Central Valley community center to learn first-hand about social determinants of health.

Fostering healthy, equitable communities

The School of Nursing's core commitment to social justice and health equity is inseparably linked with our research, education and service missions. Our dedication to ensuring a diversity of perspectives and voices—and ultimately of clinicians and providers—is vital to that commitment.

Our school is devoted to addressing critical disparities in access to quality care—a charge our graduates take with them into their practice and their communities as the next generation of health leaders. We actively recruit talented, passionate students

from a wide variety of backgrounds with the goal of preparing exceptional health care professionals who mirror the diverse communities we serve. And through equity-focused research, educational practices that teach culturally respectful approaches to care, and community partnerships that strive to create parity in the delivery of care, the school provides vital leadership in creating more equitable pathways to health and wellness.

Philanthropic giving elevates these vital efforts and deepens their impact.

Need-based scholarship support widens the paths of opportunity for talented nursing students who wouldn't otherwise have the financial means to pursue advanced professional education or participate in unpaid volunteer work in free community clinics. Endowed professorships enhance our ability to recruit prominent faculty experts focused on health equity. Gifts to provide housing for students during clinical rotations extend the school's reach into rural areas and other underserved communities.

A Classroom on Wheels

California’s Central Valley is one of the world’s richest agricultural regions, providing more than half the nation’s food and more than 40% of its fresh produce. Yet a third of its 6.5 million residents are food insecure—one of a myriad of health care challenges facing the region’s people, including the worst air quality in the U.S. and diabetes rates well above the national average.

To deepen health care professionals’ understanding of the region and its people, School of Nursing faculty member Jann Murray-García has organized a groundbreaking mobile classroom known as the Interprofessional Central Valley Road Trip. Since 2017, students, faculty, staff and administrators from the School of Nursing, School of Medicine and UC Davis Program in Public Health—joined by faculty and students from across the university as well as community



Jann Murray-García, right, visits with a bus trip participant outside a Cambodian Buddhist temple.



Bus arrives at one of its stops along the two-day Central Valley tour.

members—have boarded a bus for a road trip down Highway 99. Narrated in real time by Murray-García and Central Valley historian David Hosley, the tour includes stops at community and health organizations as well as historical sites—from Valley State Prison to Forty Acres, the first headquarters of the United Farm Workers movement. Sojourners on the tour describe it as eye-opening and life-changing, offering unique insights into health inequities in the Central Valley.

“If we’re going to build a health care system that serves everyone as well as it can, we need to understand the social and public policy determinants of health for those we serve.”

- JANN MURRAY-GARCÍA, M.D., M.P.H.
Associate Clinical Professor



Joyce Morentin, right, with her mother Beatriz, is one of the nation's 40 million caregivers who are largely self-taught and perform complex medical tasks at home.



“Family caregivers provide more than 80% of long-term care

to older adults, with a large percentage of their activities considered nursing tasks. Yet these dedicated individuals remain largely invisible in the health care system. We must develop systems to support them in the demands that impact their mental, physical and financial health, and threaten their quality of life.”

- **THERESA (TERRI) HARVATH, PH.D., R.N., F.A.A.N., F.G.S.A.**
Senior Director for Strategic Initiatives and Clinical Professor;
Director, Family Caregiving Institute

Supporting older adults and the families who care for them

Family caregivers are central to a thriving home and community health framework. Through the Family Caregiving Institute (FCI), the School of Nursing is working to develop health solutions that bridge clinic, home and community to promote healthy lifestyles, maximize choice and independence, and support patients and their caregivers.

Dedicated to supporting the millions of individuals who provide care to aging family members or friends, the FCI works to elevate and empower the role of these caregivers within the larger health care system.

Through provider and caregiver education and research that advances best practices, technologies and strategies for sustaining this critical workforce, experts at the FCI are pointing the way toward bold health system change that places individuals, families and communities at its center.

Gifts to support the FCI's clinical, training, research and engagement programs are vital to its mission to improve systems of support for caregivers—advancing care for older adults while empowering those who care for others.

Realizing a Bold Vision of Health Excellence and Equity

Philanthropic Opportunities to Support the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing

Our alumni, donors and friends are key to making our vision a reality—for the benefit of every individual and every community. **We invite you to join us as we pursue a healthier, more equitable future for all.**

Investing in our students

Establish and name the **Student Success Center**, ensuring that students thrive during their programs and throughout their careers

\$5 MILLION

Name **endowed scholarships** that expand opportunities for generations of future leaders

\$50,000

Name **one-year, current-use scholarships** that open doors to an exceptional nursing education

\$5,000

Fund the expansion of **immersive educational experiences**, such as the Central Valley bus trip

GIFTS OF ANY AMOUNT WELCOME

Investing in our faculty

Name **endowed professorships** that attract and retain world-class scholars

\$1.5 MILLION

Name **endowed research funds** that provide a lasting source of support for critical investigation

\$250,000

Name **current-use research funds** that advance groundbreaking nursing science

\$25,000

Investing in innovation

Support the **Dean's Innovation Fund** with current-use gifts that enable the school to respond nimbly to emerging opportunities

\$25,000 TO NAME THE FUND;
GIFTS OF ANY AMOUNT WELCOME

Name **learning, research and collaboration spaces** in Betty Irene Moore Hall

STARTING AT \$10,000

Enhance state-of-the-art **simulation environments** for education and research in care innovations

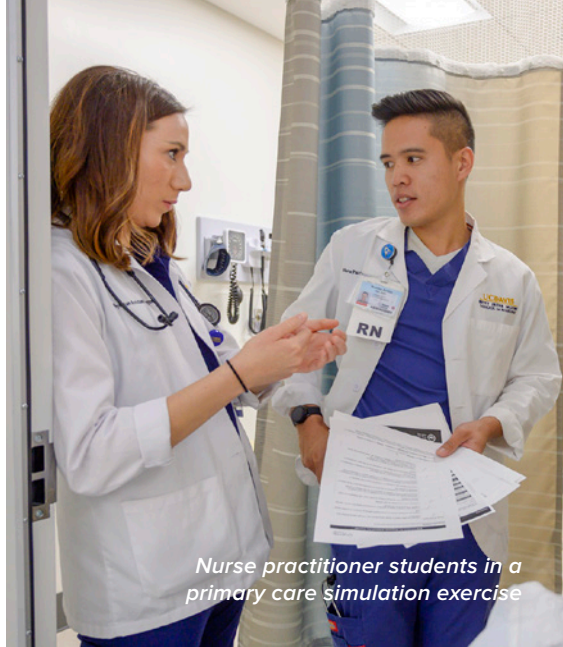
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Nurse practitioner students in a primary care simulation exercise

Ways of Giving

We respect that, for each donor who wishes to provide significant philanthropic support, there are personal, financial and gift planning aspects to consider. We will work with you to realize your philanthropic vision and develop the gift plan that best meets your needs. At your request, we can also work with your tax and financial advisors.

Following are various gift types and their associated benefits. You may wish to consider a mix of gift types to help you achieve both your philanthropic and financial objectives.

Cash Gifts

- Are the simplest and most popular giving method
- Can be tax deductible in the year they are given

Gifts of Securities

- Include stocks, mutual funds and bonds
- Can avoid capital gains taxes
- Can provide an income tax deduction for the full fair market value of long-term, appreciated securities

Gifts of Real Property

- Include land, farms, personal residences, and rental or commercial property
- Can avoid capital gains tax on appreciated assets
- Can provide an income tax deduction for the full fair market value of long-term, appreciated property
- Can eliminate property expenses and taxes
- Can provide continued use for life through a retained life estate gift

Bequests and Living Trusts

- Establish the UC Davis Foundation as a beneficiary of your estate
- Can provide an estate tax deduction equal to the value of the gift
- Offer flexibility by allowing you to provide for family first

Retirement Plan Gifts

- For current gifts, utilize the IRA Charitable Rollover provision (for donors aged 70½ and older)
- Name the UC Davis Foundation as a beneficiary
- Can eliminate income tax on the plan distributions
- Preserve the plan's full value for gift purposes

Life Income Gifts

- Include charitable remainder trusts and gift annuities
- Can provide potential tax savings on income, estate and capital gains
- Generate income for you and/or your loved ones for a fixed period of time or until your passing
- Distribute the remaining assets to the UC Davis Foundation