



Pinning Ceremony

Friday, January 21, 2022

2:00 PM

Pelham Civic Complex
Birmingham, Alabama
Herzing University

Herzing University had its beginning in 1965 when it started as a computer training institute in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. In 1970, the name was changed to Herzing Institute and the organization began to grow through the acquisition of other schools. These included the Wisconsin School of Electronics in Madison, Wisconsin, which has a history dating back to 1948. Later, the Milwaukee location was closed in favor of the Madison location but the system headquarters has remained in Milwaukee. The name of the school was changed to Herzing College in 1996, and since then the institution has grown to include campuses in eight states plus an online division, which is located with the system headquarters. The addition of graduate programs in 2009 led to the school's current name, Herzing University.

Pinning Ceremony History

The tradition of the nursing pin and the ceremonial pinning we know today, actually originated in the 1860's at the Nightingale School of Nursing at St. Thomas Hospital in London. Having been recently awarded The Red Cross of St. George for her selfless service to the injured and dying in the Crimean War, Florence chose to extend this honor to her most outstanding graduate nurses by presenting each of them with a medal for excellence.

The Wolverton Royal Hospital in England initiated the tradition of presenting all graduates with a badge. The first pin was presented to the graduating class of 1880 at the Bellevue Hospital of Nursing in New York City. The pin presented to graduates was both beautiful and symbolic. It featured a crane in the center for vigilance, encircled with a band of blue for constancy, and an outer band of red for mercy and relief of suffering. By 1916 the practice of pinning new nurses was common in schools throughout the United Kingdom and North America. The pinning ceremony is as an important rite-of-passage into the profession of nursing.

Original Nightingale Pledge

*"I solemnly pledge myself before God and in the presence of this assembly:
To pass my life in purity and to practice my profession faithfully;
I will abstain from whatever is deleterious and mischievous and will not take
or knowingly administer any harmful drug;
I will do all in my power to maintain and elevate the standard of my profession
and will hold in confidence all personal matters committed to my keeping and all
family affairs coming to my knowledge in the practice of my calling;
With loyalty will I endeavor to aid the physician in his work and devote myself
to the welfare of those committed to my care."*

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Program

Processional	Nursing Graduates, December 2021
Welcome	Sarah Higgins, Campus President
P.R.I.C.E. of Success	Chris LaBounty, Campus Academic Dean
History of the Ceremony	Cindy Hall, Program Chair, Nursing
Pinning of Nurses	Nursing Faculty
Nightingale Pledge	Cheryle Howard-Davis
Closing Remarks	Cindy Hall, Program Chair, Nursing
Recessional	Nursing Graduates, August 2021

Diploma, Practical Nursing

Takila Adair	Octavia Jones Maffett
Sheila Alverson	Shanita K. Nicholson
Brittany A. Anumene	Shannetta Simon
Ashley Ayala	Tristan W. Tyus

Associate of Science, Nursing

Mary Arnold	Hannah Ndungu
Alyssa J. Benson	KeChonda Nicholson
Peyton G. Browning	Shermecia Pearson
Taylor E. Carter	Michelle Person
Anson Chin	Jeremi Scott
Stephanie D. Coney	Haley Snyder
Jessie S. Davenport	Maceo M. Tanner
Jamie L. Farley	Erica Standifer
Justin Gregory	Shekyra Townsend
Consuella Hargress	Dorothea Wallace
Kaneishia Jackson	Naima A. Ware
Ashley Jewell	Octivia L. Williams
Kyana Kelly	

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Faculty and Staff of Herzing University

Campus President

Sarah Higgins

Academic Dean

Chris LaBounty

Nursing Leadership

Cindy Hall, MSN, RN – Program Chair

Nursing Faculty

Kathy Hasty – Outreach Coordinator

Susan Jones – Administrative Assistant

Shannon Barrentine

Jenna Blair

Rey Cabazor

Kathryn Donahoo

Amber Doss

Julie Haynes

Cheryle Howard-Davis

Nina Lavas

Meaghan Lewis

Lillie Lomax

Sheri Lurie

Sandie Manscill

Vicki Molliconi

Misty Parsons

Ashley Ruffin

Wendy Siegal

The faculty and staff of Herzing University would like to thank you for joining us in celebrating the success of our graduating nursing students.