

CURRICULUM VITAE

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PREPARATION: Clinical: Licensed in the state of Alabama as a Registered Nurse
Functional/Role: Associate Professor; Undergraduate Department Chair

CERTIFICATIONS:

Registered Nursing

1-122989, Alabama Board of Nursing

Certified Nurse Educator

National League for Nursing

Expires: 05/2028

Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers

American Heart Association

Certified New Portal Administrator

ExamSoft Certification Program

Friday Night at the ER

Certified Facilitator

EDUCATION:

Samford University	Business	2023-2025	Master of Business Administration
The University of Alabama	Education	2012-2018	EdD, Instructional Leadership, 2018
The University of Alabama	Nursing	2012-2015	MSN, Rural Case Management, 2015
The University of Alabama	Nursing	2005-2009	BSN, Nursing, 2009

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE: Nursing Education

2024-Present	Undergraduate Department Chair	Samford University
2023-Present	Associate Professor, Tenured	Samford University
2022-2024	Director, Clinical Education & Community Partnerships	Samford University

2017-2023	Assistant Professor	Samford University
2011-2017	Clinical Associate	Samford University
2014-2016	Clinical Instructor	The University of Alabama

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE: Clinical Practice

2012-2017	Registered Nurse	Clearview Cancer Institute
2011-2012	Registered Nurse	The Cancer Center of Huntsville
2009-2011; 2012-2016	Registered Nurse	Princeton Baptist Medical Center

HONOR SOCIETIES:

2025	Beta Gamma Sigma, Business Honor Society Samford University
2009	Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing Epsilon Omega Chapter, The University of Alabama

HONORS AND AWARDS:

2023	Alabama League for Nursing Lamplighter Award Recipient
2016-2024	Moffett & Sanders School of Nursing Pinning Ceremony Participant Chosen by Graduating Senior Class

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

2017-Present	Alabama League for Nursing
2018-Present	National League for Nursing
2012-2017	Oncology Nursing Society

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

NCSBN 2025 Annual NCLEX Virtual Conference, September 2025

Mini Conference on Teaching and Learning, Samford University, August 2025

MSSON Scholars Day, Samford University, March 2025

National Academies of Practice Annual Meeting & Forum, Washington D.C., March 13-15, 2025

Implicit Bias Training, Samford University, November 2024

The Anxious Generation Faculty Cadre, Samford University, October-November, 2024

2024 National League for Nursing Summit, San Antonio, Texas, September 2024

Mini Conference on Teaching and Learning, Samford University, August 2024

Nursing Faculty Well-Being: A Qualitative Study. International Association for Human Caring- Journal Club. May 2024

Best Practices in Simulation, Samford University, May 2024

MSSON Scholars Day, Samford University, March 2024

Alabama League for Nursing Annual Conference, Huntsville, AL, March 2024

Samford Connections, Fall 2023, Spring 2024

Samford University, College of Health Sciences Convocation Event, e3 Medical Presentation, February 2024

American Association of Colleges of Nursing 2023 Transform Conference, Lake Buena Vista, Florida, November 2023

National League for Nursing 2023 Summit, National Harbor, Maryland, September 2023

Friday Night at the ER Workshop, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, April 2023

Finding Your Leadership Voice as a Woman in a Male-Dominated Industry, Samford University, March 2023

Under Pressure: Practices and Tips to Assist Students Navigating Stress & Anxiety, Samford University, March 2023

Alabama League for Nursing Annual Conference, Auburn University, March 2023

CITI Training: Social & Behavioral Research Refresher Course, January 2023

American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) Transform Conference 2022, Chicago IL, November 2022

Wicked Problems Talk with Dr. Paul Hanstedt, Samford University, October 2022

2022 NCSBN NCLEX Conference, Virtual Meeting, September 2022

EAC Assessment Conference 2022: Reconnecting for Success: From Inspiration to Impact, Virtual Meeting, June 2022

Creating Next Gen NCLEX® Test Items, Webinar offered through ExamSoft, April 2022

Alabama League for Nursing Annual Meeting: Facing Challenges Through Innovation, Birmingham, AL, April 2022

MSSON Research Day 2022, Birmingham, AL, March 2022

Tools for Item-Writing: Step-by-Step Approach to Next Generation NCLEX Success, Birmingham, AL, January 2022

ExamSoft Assessment Conference 2021, Virtual Meeting, June 2021

Alabama League for Nursing Annual Meeting: Teaching in a Time of Crisis, Virtual Meeting, March 2021

AACN National Faculty Meeting, Birmingham, Alabama, November 2020

Implicit Bias Training, Samford University Office of Diversity and Intercultural Initiatives, Birmingham, AL, October 2020

Alabama Board of Nursing: Nurse Practice Act Online CEU Course, Birmingham, Alabama, July 2020

Alabama Board of Nursing: Board Functions Online CEU Course, Birmingham, Alabama, July 2020

Alabama Board of Nursing: Licensure Regulation Online CEU Course, Birmingham, Alabama, July 2020

Evidence-Based Approaches to Nursing Administration and Practice 2020 Block 1, Birmingham, Alabama, April 2020

Evidence-Based Approaches to Nursing Administration and Practice 2020 Block 2, Birmingham, Alabama, April 2020

AACN National Faculty Meeting, Birmingham, Alabama, January 2020

IMSON Faculty Retreat, Birmingham, Alabama, December 2019

Quality Matters: Independent Applying the QM Rubric Certification, Birmingham, Alabama, November 2019

CITI Program: Social and Behavioral Research Course, Birmingham, Alabama, November 2019

American Heart Association, Basic Life Support, Birmingham, Alabama, September 2019

Master Clinical Teaching: A "SAFETY" Approach for Student Success, Birmingham, Alabama, August 2019

Accessibility Challenges for Nursing Students with Disabilities, AACN Webinar, Birmingham, Alabama, August 2019

ExamSoft Assessment Conference, Montreal, Quebec, June 2019

2019 IMSON Faculty Research Day, Birmingham, Alabama, April 2019

Southeast Regional Nursing Education and Innovation Summit, Birmingham, Alabama, April 2019

National Academies of Practice Annual Conference, Pentagon City, Virginia, March 2019

2019 Next Generation NCLEX Workshop, Montgomery, Alabama, January 2019

Faculty Development Workshop: Annual Appraisal Preparation, Birmingham, Alabama, November 2018

AACN Fall Executive Development Series, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 2018

AACN Baccalaureate Education Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 2018

Nurse Faculty Role Development and CNE Review Workshop, Birmingham, Alabama, October 2018

Rayfield Faculty Development: NCLEX Changes and More, Birmingham, Alabama, September 2018

ExamSoft New Portal Training, Birmingham, Alabama, August 2018

ExamSoft Assessment Conference, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, July 2018

Southeast Nursing Faculty Development Conference, Charleston, South Carolina, June 2018

Teaching and Learning Academy, Birmingham, Alabama, May 2018

IMSON Faculty Research Day, Birmingham, Alabama, April 2018

Alabama League for Nursing Annual Conference, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, March 2018

Human Trafficking and the Nurse's Role, Birmingham, Alabama, March 2018

Standardized Patient Methodology, Birmingham, Alabama, December 2017

Team-based Learning Workshop, Birmingham, Alabama, October 2017

Test Development and Item Writing for NCLEX Success, Birmingham, Alabama, August 2017

PRESENTATIONS:

Sewell, J., Mileski, M., **Barron, A.**, Byrd, E., & Helms, R. (2025, March 15th). *Teaching Systems Thinking to Inter- and Intraprofessional Health Professions Students*. [Podium Presentation]. National Academies of Practice (NAP) Annual Meeting & Forum, Washington, D.C., United States.

Mileski, M., **Barron, A.**, & Harris, R. (2024, August 22). *"Friday Night at the ER" – An Experiential Learning Tool for Use Across Disciplines*. [Podium Presentation]. Mini Conference on Teaching and Learning, Samford University, Birmingham, AL, United States.

Barron, A. (03/01/2024). *NCLEX-RN Bootcamp: A Comprehensive Approach to Preparing Students for the Licensure Exam*. [Podium Presentation]. Alabama League for Nursing Annual Conference. Huntsville, AL, United States.

Barron, A. (11/14/2023). *The Impact of Preceptorships on Baccalaureate Nursing Students' Perceptions of Caring*. International Association for Human Caring (IAHC) Journal Club. Invited Speaker.

Barron, A. (11/21/2023). *The Impact of Preceptorships on Baccalaureate Nursing Students' Perceptions of Caring*. International Association for Human Caring (IAHC) Journal Club. Invited Speaker.

Barron, A., Berry, C., Shelton, L. (9/28-9/30/2023). *Implementation of an Innovative Undergraduate Nursing Exam Review Policy*. [Poster Presentation]. National League for Nursing 2023 NLN Education Summit. Washington, D.C., United States.

Barron, A., Berry, C., Shelton, L. (06/24/2021). *Differences in Undergraduate Nursing Student Exam Scores After Implementation of a New Exam Review Policy*. [Podium Presentation]. ExamSoft Assessment Conference 2021. Virtual Conference.

Barron, A. & Shelton, L. (Accepted) *Differences in Undergraduate Nursing Student Exam Scores After Implementation of a New Exam Review Policy*. [Podium Presentation]. 2020 ExamSoft Assessment Conference, Park City, Utah, United States. (Postponed due to COVID-19).

Barron, A. (6/26/2019). *Tagging Questions as a Policy: Enterprise (New Portal) Administration Workshop*. [Podium Presentation]. 2019 ExamSoft Assessment Conference, Montreal, Canada.

Barron, A., Berry, C., Shelton, L. (06/28/2019). *Implementation of a New Exam Review Policy & Mapping a Curriculum: What Were We Thinking?* [Podium and Poster Presentation]. 2019 ExamSoft Assessment Conference, Montreal, Canada.

Buckner, E. & **Barron, A.** (04/01/2019). *Development and Evaluation of an Interprofessional Pharmacokinetics Simulation*. [Podium Presentation]. 2019 IMSON Faculty Research Day, Birmingham, AL, United States.

Barron, A. (04/01/2019). *The Impact of Preceptorships on Baccalaureate Nursing Students' Perceptions of Care*. [Podium Presentation]. 2019 IMSON Faculty Research Day, Birmingham, AL, United States.

Buckner, E., **Barron, A.** & Wilson, A. (03/09/2019). *Expansion of Pharmacokinetics Simulation with Standardized Patients: Building IPEC Communication Competencies for Person-Centered Quality Healthcare*. [Podium Presentation]. National Academies of Practice Annual Conference, Pentagon City, VA, United States.

Berry, C., Hightower, J., Harrison, L., **Barron, A.**, Buckner, E. (03/02/2018). *Interprofessional Collaboration of Nursing and Pharmacy Students Achieved Through Case Study Examination*. [Podium Presentation]. Alabama League for Nursing Annual Conference, Tuscaloosa, AL, United States.

CONSULTATIONS:

Subject Matter Expert

Clinical Operation Solutions, April 2019-July 2019

Created a series of online learning modules to be used for new graduate nurse apprenticeship programs throughout the United States

Legal Nurse Consultant

Birmingham, Alabama

October 2019-January 2020

April 2020- August 2021

January 2024-Present

Provided defense case review in the field of critical care nursing

GRANTS:

Friday Night at the ER to Assess Student Systems Thinking. Samford University, Faculty Development Grant, \$4,000. **Role: Primary Investigator.** (Intramural, 2 year, January 2024-December 2026).

Registered Nurse Training Program. Health Resources and Services Administration. (\$1,050,000). **Role: Director of Clinical Education.** (Extramural, 3 year, September 30, 2022 – September 29, 2025).

Key, B. (Co-PD), Wynn, S. (Co-PD), Hightower, J. (Co-I) & **Barron, A.** (Co-I). *Samford-I.N.C.* American Nurses Foundation (ANF), Reimaging Nursing Initiative, \$1,485,494. (Extramural, not funded).

Barron, A. (PI), Harrison, L. (Co-PI), Jones, L. (Co-PI). Formalizing Critical Thinking in Undergraduate Nursing Students. Samford University, Faculty Development Grant, \$2,000. (Intramural, 2 year, January 2021- December 2022).

McCarty, S. H. (PI), **Barron, A.** (Co-PI), Robbins, D. (Co-PI). *COVID-19, Mental Health, and Health Outcomes and Behaviors.* Robert J. Woods Foundation, Health Data for Action 2020, \$100,000. (Extramural, not funded).

PUBLICATIONS:

Barron, A. (2021). Impact of preceptorships on baccalaureate nursing students' perceptions of caring. *International Journal for Human Caring*, 25(4), 235-248. doi: 10.20467/HumanCaring-D-20-00061

Cropp, C. D., Beall, J., Buckner, E.B., Wallis, F. & **Barron, A.** (2018). Interprofessional pharmacokinetics simulation: Pharmacy and nursing students' perceptions. *Pharmacy*, 6, 70 (15 pp.). doi:10.3390/pharmacy6030070

Barron, A. (2018). The impact of preceptorships on baccalaureate nursing students' perceptions of care. The University of Alabama. Ann Arbor, 2018, ProQuest Dissertations & Theses Full Text.

COURSES TAUGHT:

NURS 454 Principles of Leadership and Management Nursing

August 2019-Present

Course Coordinator and Instructor

(Undergraduate)

NURS 438 Preceptorship

January 2020-Present

Course Coordinator and Instructor
(Undergraduate)

NURS 422 Senior Seminar

August 2019-Present

Course Instructor
(Undergraduate)

NURS 332 Pharmacology

Summer 2020, January 2021, Summer 2021, Summer 2022, Summer 2023, Summer 2024

Course Instructor and Course Coordinator
(Undergraduate)

Critical Thinking in Nursing Course

Spring 2021-Spring 2022

Course Instructor
(Undergraduate optional course as part of the Faculty Development Grant)

ExamSoft Key Administrator for Nursing

Spring 2018-Present

NURS 460 Principles Critical Care Nursing

Fall 2017-May 2019, Spring 2025-Present

Course Instructor and Course Coordinator
(Undergraduate)

SERVICE:**Institutional Service**

2025 Samford Student Research Colloquia (April 2025)

Poster Judge

Samford University College of Health Sciences IPE Acute Care Sim (March 2025)

Faculty Resource Volunteer

College of Health Sciences (CHS) Administrative Counsel (August 2024-Present)

Member

MSSON Faculty Development Committee (August 2024-Present)

Member, Vice-Chair

Undergraduate Nursing Clinical Unsatisfactory Policy Workgroup (December 2023-May 2024)

Workgroup Leader

2024 Commencement Faculty Marshal

Volunteer

2024 Samford Student Research Colloquia (April 2024)

Poster Judge

Samford University Health Expo (March 2024)

Faculty Advisor

Samford University Biometric Screening (November 2023)

Faculty Volunteer

MSSON Exam Review Taskforce (August 2023-Present)

Member

MSSON Curriculum Revision Committee (January 2023-Present)

Member

Samford University Health Expo (October 2023)

Faculty Advisor

Academic Practice Partnerships Committee (August 2023-May 2024)

Member

Adult Health Faculty Search Committee (June 2023-August 2023)

Chair

2023 Samford Student Research Colloquia (April 2023)

Poster Judge

Samford University Health Expo (April 2023)

Faculty Advisor

College of Health Sciences Disaster Simulation (March 2023)

Volunteer

Undergraduate Admission Committee (January 2023-Present)

Chair

College of Health Sciences Curriculum Committee (December 2022-May 2023)

Member

Centennial Committee (Fall 2022)

Member

Administrative Council (August 2021-Present)

Member

2022 Samford Student Research Colloquia (April 2022)

Poster Judge

Next-Gen NCLEX Item-Writing in ExamSoft (April 2022)

Workshop Instructor

Undergraduate Pediatric Nursing Faculty Search Committee (March 2022-May 2022)
Chair

MSSON New Faculty Mentor
Mentor

Undergraduate Curriculum Workgroup (August 2021-Present)
Member

Undergraduate Nursing Curriculum Mapping Taskforce (March 2021-May 2021)
Chair

Undergraduate Nursing Exam Policy Workgroup (March 2021-May 2021)
Member

Academic Technology Taskforce (March 2021)
Undergraduate Nursing Faculty Representative

Choose Samford Days (Spring 2021)
Faculty Volunteer

MSSON Academic Affairs Committee (August 2021-May 2023)
Chair

Faculty Senate (September 2020-May 2023)
Member

Adult Health Nursing Faculty Search Committee (September 2020-November 2020)
Chair

Adult Health Nursing Faculty Search Committee (July 2020 – August 2020)
Member

Undergraduate Nursing Continuity of Instruction Workgroup (May 2020- August 2020)
Member

Student Success Workgroup (March 2020 – Present)
Member

Samford University Association of Nursing Students (SUANS) (2020)
Faculty Volunteer

MSSON Academic Affairs Committee (2019 - 2021)
Vice-Chair

Undergraduate Course Coordinators Committee (August 2019-Present)
Member, Chair

Student Life Committee (2017 - 2019)
Member

Strategic Planning Sub-Committee for Teaching and Learning (2017 - 2022)
Member

Preview Day/ Grand Rounds (2018-2019)
Faculty Volunteer

Preview Day and CHS Open Houses (2017-Present)
Faculty Volunteer

Flu Shot Clinic (2017, 2019, 2020, 2023, 2024)
Faculty Volunteer

Mentorship

2024 Samford Student Research Colloquia, *The Relationship between Undergraduate College Students and Sleep Hygiene Education on Academic Performance*
Faculty Mentor (April 2024)

Samford Faculty Mentorship Program (January 2024-December 2024; January 2025-Present)
Faculty Mentor

2023 Samford Student Research Colloquia, *Depression in Undergraduate Students*
Faculty Mentor (April 2023)

MSSON Faculty Mentor (January 2022-Present)
Paired with new faculty hire in Undergraduate Nursing

2022 Samford Student Research Colloquia, *Retaining Nurses Through Mentorship Program*
Faculty Mentor (April 2022)

Samford University New Faculty Mentor (2019 - 2020)
Paired with new faculty hire in the College of Education

Professional Service

CBE Progression Indicator Peer Reviewer: The Essentials: Core Competencies for Professional Nursing Education. Domain 9 - Professionalism & Domain 10 – Personal, Professional, and Leadership Development. American Association of Colleges of Nursing, Washington, DC.

National League for Nursing, Certified Nurse Educator Novice (CNEn) Item-Writer (2025)

Alabama League for Nursing Annual Conference, Abstract Review Committee, Chair (2025)

National League for Nursing, Certified Nurse Educator Novice (CNEn) Item-Writer (2024)

Alabama League for Nursing Annual Conference, Abstract Reviewer (2024)

Alabama League for Nursing Annual Conference, Planning Committee (2024)

East Central Alabama AHEC Advisory Board Member (2023-Present)

National Council of State boards of Nursing (NCSBN) Exam Development Volunteer (2023-2025)

Alabama League for Nursing, Member Director (2023-2026)

National League for Nursing 2023 Summit Conference Moderator (2023)

AACN Doctoral Conference 2022, Abstract Reviewer (2022)

Alabama League for Nursing Annual Conference, Planning Committee (2022)

Alabama League for Nursing Annual Conference, Abstract Reviewer (2022)

Alabama League for Nursing, Nominating Committee (2021-2022)

AACN Transform 2021 Conference, Abstract Reviewer (2021)

Community Service

Birmingham Kidney Walk (2025)

Volunteer

Samford Gives Back 2024, Urban Purpose Ministries (March 2024)

Volunteer

Undergraduate Nursing Serve Day Spring 2024, Forward in Faith Ranch (February 2024)

Volunteer

Shades Mountain Elementary School Annual Health Fair (October 2023)

Volunteer

First Aid Station at the Annual Alabama Baptist State Convention (November 2022)

Baptist Nursing Fellowship

Volunteer

World Games Medical Staff (July 2022)

Volunteer

COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics (Spring 2021: 3/26/2021, 4/14/2021, 4/19/2021)

Volunteer

Serve Day/Month Volunteer (2018-Present)

Church of the Highlands

Member/Volunteer