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Education

MSN - Nursing Education	2010 - 2013
Thesis: Gooden, L. (2013). What are African Americans’ Diagnosed with Type I or Type II Diabetes Mellitus Perceptions about Diet and Medication Management in Relation to Stress and Coping Mechanisms. Gardner-Webb University.	
BSN - Nursing USC Upstate	2006

Licensure

South Carolina, 104438, 4/30/2026

Certification

Basic Life Support (BLS)	2006 - Present
Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS)	11/2013 – 11/2020
Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS) Instructor	7/2015 – 7/2019

Appointments

Clinical Coordinator 2021
Senior Instructor 2020
USC Upstate
Spartanburg, South Carolina

Other Positions and Employment

Educational Experience

Nursing Instructor	University of South Carolina - Upstate (USC – Upstate) Mary Black College of Nursing (MBCON)
August 2014 – Present	Full-time Faculty Clinical Nursing Medical- Surgical & Fundamentals Instructor Medical-Surgical/Adult Health II Clinical (8/2014 – Present)

Fundamentals/Foundations in Nursing Clinical (8/2019 – Present)
Medical-Surgical/Adult Health I Clinical (8/2015 – 5/2019)

Educates and advises nursing students in the nursing program. Teaches Health Assessment Labs, Community & Public Health Clinical, Health Alterations (Medical-Surgical/Adult Health) I & II Clinical and Foundations in Nursing (Fundamentals) Clinical in the hospital setting, on campus, and simulation lab with Sim Man manikins. Assists nursing students with the processing, implementation of critical thinking skills, critical decision making, clinical judgement, bedside nursing skills, computer and paper documentation, assessments, medication administration, disease-process and medication management, delegation, leadership skills, organizational skills, prioritization, therapeutic communication skills, and patient and family education. Completes nursing student evaluations of clinical skills, critical thinking skills, and professionalism. Provides guidance, instruction, advisement, and encouragement to nursing students and new nurse graduates. Serves on committees to effectively improve the overall nursing curriculum & recruit qualified nursing faculty.

Assists with Classroom/Didactic Teaching/Education periodically in Medical-Surgical/Adult Health I (8/2015 - 5/2019), Medical-Surgical/Adult Health II (8/2014 - Present), & Fundamentals/Foundations in Nursing Clinical (8/2019 – 12/2020)

Clinical Experience

Community Health Nursing
January 2019 - Present
Per Diem/PRN

Charles Lea Center (CLC)
Community Health Nurse

Performs duties of a staff registered nurse with individuals who have intellectual and/or physical disabilities and/or chronic medical conditions in a community setting of the CLC Day Program, Workability Site, and individual's homes in an intermediate care residential type setting/facility. Experience in adult health. Provides direct age-specific and culturally appropriate care via the nursing process with the use of knowledge, critical thinking skills, clinical judgment, medication administration, and bedside nursing skills. Demonstrates leadership, implements individual-specific plan of cares, participates in staff and individual education, and collaborates with nurses and other healthcare providers to deliver quality, holistic, & competent care to individuals. Serves as a clinical resource.

Provides medical & health education & prevention to individuals & individuals' family members. Occasionally serves as a preceptor to new hire nurses. Performs other duties as a registered nurse as indicated.

Staff Registered Nurse
Preceptorship

August 2008 - November 2018

Spartanburg Regional
Healthcare System (SRHS)/
Spartanburg
Medical Center (SMC)
Respiratory Medical-Surgical Unit
Registered Nurse

Served as a preceptor to nursing students and new nurse graduates. Assisted nursing students and new nurse graduates with implementation of critical thinking skills, critical decision making, bedside nursing skills, documentation, assessments, medication administration, delegation, leadership skills, therapeutic communication skills, and patient and family education. Completed nursing student evaluations of clinical skills, critical thinking skills, and professionalism. Provided guidance, instruction, and encouragement to nursing students and new nurse graduates.

January 2014 - November 2018

Per Diem/PRN

Spartanburg Regional Healthcare
System (SRHS)

2006-2014

Full Time

Respiratory Medical-Surgical Unit
Registered Nurse

Performed duties of a staff registered nurse in a medical-surgical, telemetry unit. Experienced in adult health. Provided direct age-specific and culturally appropriate care via the nursing process with the use of knowledge, critical thinking skills, and bedside nursing skills. Has served as a preceptor for 6 years. Demonstrated leadership, implements patient-specific plan of cares, participates in staff and patient education, and collaborates with physicians and other healthcare providers to deliver quality, holistic care to patients. Served as a clinical resource. Performed other duties as a registered nurse as indicated.

May 2022 - Present Greenville County Parks, Recreation, & Tourism - Camp Spearhead
Camp Registered Nurse

May 2022 - Present
Per Diem/PRN

Performed duties of a staff registered nurse in a camp setting/environment. Experienced in adult health. Provided direct age-specific and culturally appropriate care via the nursing process with the use of knowledge, critical thinking skills, and bedside nursing skills experience. Demonstrated leadership, implements patient-specific plan of cares, participates in staff and patient education, and collaborates with camp staff, nurses, and other healthcare providers to deliver quality, holistic care to patients. Served as a clinical resource. Performed other duties as a registered nurse as indicated.

Military Service

United States Army Reserve
2001-2006

Served as a Plumber in a Construction Brigade. Performed Guard Duty & Completed assigned military tasks and duties in Oklahoma, Texas, Alabama, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia. Participated in Field Artillery and Combat Training. Assisted with Operation Iraqi Freedom with the deployment and return to home of soldiers.

Honors and Awards

Honor/Award	Awarding Institution	Year
USC Upstate DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nurses May 2022 Recipient	USC Upstate	2022
USC Upstate Office of Academic Affairs “Superlative” Award – Most Innovative New Community Engagement Initiative During Covid (MBSON) 2020-2021	USC Upstate	2021
USC Upstate MBSON Baccalaureate Nursing		

Program Honors Scholar Clinical Excellence Award	USC Upstate	2006
Sigma Theta Tau Induction, International Honor Society for Nursing	USC Upstate	2006
USC Upstate (Spartanburg) Outstanding English Writer Freshman Award	USC Upstate	2002 - 2003
United States Army Marksmanship Medal	The United States Army	2001
United States Army Grenade Medal	The United States Army	2001
Margarette Bell-Miller Dance Studio Work Study Award & Senior Scholarship Award Recipient	Margarette Bell-Miller Dance Studio	2001
The HD Swofford Career Center Certified Nursing Assistant Outstanding Student Award	The HD Swofford Career Center	2000 - 2001
Boiling Springs Jayteens Community Scholarship Award Recipient	The Boiling Springs Jayteens	1999 - 2000
The National Beta Club Certificate of Achievement for Literary Contribution to the National Beta Club Journal Award	The National Beta Club	1997

Teaching Activities

a. New Course Development/Course Major Revisions

- a. MBSON Covid – 19 Virtual Interaction Outreach Nursing Care Check Program – Creator & Coordinator (5/2020 – 8/2020)
- b. MBSON Covid – 19 Virtual Interaction Outreach Group – Creator, Advisor, & Coordinator (8/2020 – 12/2022)
- c. Health Alterations II Clinical Practicum Student Nurse Boot Camp Development, Organization, and Coordination with Consistent Modification per Evidence Based Practice (8/2021 – Present)
- d. INSPIRE Faculty – Clinical Skills and Drug Calculations/Dosage Competency Skills Workshop Practice Organizer and Coordinator (1/2023 – 5/2023)

b. Clinical Coordinator

- a. Health Alterations II Clinical Practicum Coordinator (8/2021 – Present)

c. Courses Taught

- a. Nurs 410P, Health Alterations II Practicum, Clinical Instructor (8/2014 – Present)
- b. Nurs 410P, Health Alterations II Practicum, Clinical Coordinator (8/2021 – Present)

- c. Nurs 461P, Community & Public Health Nursing Practicum, Clinical Instructor (1/2021 – Present)

- d. Nurs 462P, RN-BSN Community & Public Health Nursing Practicum, Clinical Instructor (5/2023 – Present)

- e. Nurs 330P, Health Alterations I Practicum, Clinical Instructor (8/2015 – 5/2019)
- f. Nurs 320P, Foundations of Nursing Practicum, Clinical Instructor (8/2019 – 12/2020)
- g. Nurs 310P, Health Assessment Lab, Clinical Instructor (8/2020 – 12/2021)

d. Advisement

- a. Advised all levels (freshman, sophomore, junior, & senior) of higher education nursing students in reference to the nursing curriculum, courses, career goals, educational plans, etc. Educates and advises nursing students in the nursing program. Provides guidance, instruction, advisement, and encouragement to nursing students and new nurse graduates. Writes/Types Letters of Recommendation when needed for nursing students and nurse graduates. (2015 – Present)

Advisement Table

Number of Students Advised	Year
12	2024
14	2023
13	2022
14	2021
15	2020
14	2019
20+	2018
20+	2017
20+	2016
20+	2015

Scholarly Activity

A. Conferences and/or Professional Meetings/Seminar/Workshops Attended

- 1.) 2024 Faculty Development – Item Writing and Test Blueprinting Workshop
- 2.) 2023 Faculty Development - ATI Training and NGN NCLEX Workshop
- 3.) 2022 Faculty Development – Service Learning & Community Engagement Course Showcase Presenter on the MBSON Virtual Interaction Outreach Group
- 4.) 2021 Virtual Gulf-South Summit Conference, 3/17/2021, Presenter, Host, & Coordinator of the ‘Making a Difference in the Lives of Individuals, Residents, Staff, and Nursing Students with Innovative Virtual Interaction during the Covid-19 Pandemic’ Presentation
- 5.) 2020 Deans & Directors Nursing Education Conference, 2/21/2020, 5.5 Contact Hours

Service

A. Professional Service

- a. USC Upstate Mary Black School/College of Nursing
 - i. USC Upstate Mary Black School/College of Nursing
 1. MBCON New Curriculum Re-Evaluation Subcommittee Chair (8/2022 – Present)
 - a. MBCON Undergraduate Curriculum Re-Evaluation Subcommittee for Course Alignment and Blackboard Alignment – President and Member (8/2022 – Present)
 2. MBCON Curriculum Committee Secretary (8/2022 – 5/2023)
 3. MBCON Curriculum Committee Member (8/2015 – Present)
 - a. MBCON Curriculum Committee Program Outcome Revisions and Annual Course Revisions – Member (8/2015 – Present)
 4. MBSON Faculty Search Committee Member (5/2018 – 8/2019)
 5. MBSON Covid – 19 Virtual Interaction Outreach Group Advisor (8/2020 – 12/2022)
 6. Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society for Nursing (2006 – 2008)
 7. Scholarly Faculty Achievement - WSPA Channel 7 News Interview and Online News Story about the MBCON and Project HOPE Organization 2nd Community Health Desensitization Clinic Day
 - ii.

B. Community Service

- a. Serenity Life Ministries with Jesus Church
 - i. Emergency Response Team Ministry Nurse (March 2022 – Present)
 - ii. Sunday School Teacher and Vacation Bible Study Teacher (May 2023 - Present)

b. Monks Grove Baptist Church

- i. Covid – 19 Re-entry Team Member (May 2020 – November 2021)
- ii. Emergency Response Team Ministry President and Active Nurse Leader (2014 – November 2021)
- iii. Young Ambassadors' Ministry President (2015 – Present): Member (2006 – November 2021)
- iv. Bible Study Teacher (2014 – November 2021)
- v. Sunday School Teacher and Vacation Bible Study Teacher (2015 - November 2021)