



Student Connection

November/December 2019

Dates to Remember

Thanksgiving holiday Nov. 28-29

Pancake Breakfast Dec. 2

Commencement Dec. 13

Dec. 13

Christmas holiday

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New Year's Day holiday

Dec. 31-Jan. 1

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Dear Students,

Happy November! We are well into the fall semester and I hope you are all doing great. Soon you will be preparing for your final exams, bringing you another semester closer to graduation. It has been a busy semester with lots of unique opportunities for your personal growth and development. We celebrated an amazing Alumni Homecoming and Scholarship Salute in September. Our donors really appreciate time with you and value hearing about your career in healthcare. In October, we held our 15-month graduation with 15 graduates receiving their BSN degree. Ms. Dana Stueber provided the commencement address and she spoke from the heart on the value of a nursing degree. We will have our RN to BSN graduation ceremony at 4 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13 in the Atrium. Ms. JoAnn Swanson will be providing the commencement address.

I have a few housekeeping reminders for you as we approach the winter season: Please make sure that the One Stop Shop area has your most current contact information for use in school messenger. If we must close early or cancel classes, we post on the website, send out an email and send messages via school messenger. I am hoping for a calm winter, but we are in Wisconsin.

Please be sure to check out the College calendar on the website for our hours over the holiday season. We will be closing by 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 27 to allow everyone a safe trip home for the Thanksgiving break. The College will re-open on Monday, Dec. 1, 2019.

We will be closed on Dec. 24-25 and Dec. 31-Jan. 1. I want to wish each of you a nice Thanksgiving and upcoming Holiday season. Take time to refresh and recharge with family and friends. It is hard to believe that 2020 is just around the corner!

Best of luck to each of you and see you soon on campus!

Connie J. Boerst

Dr. Connie J. Boerst President/CEO

Commencement Corner

Commencement Reminder

Bellin College will host winter commencement at 4 p.m. Dec. 13, 2019. Commencement will be held in the Bellin College Atrium. Students should arrive no later than 3:20 p.m. and report to classroom 112. Doors will open to guests at 3:15 p.m. A group photo will be taken at 3:30 p.m. on the open stairwell of the College.

Diplomas and Transcripts

The Bellin College Registrar's Office will send a copy of each graduate's official transcript and diploma to the mailing address provided on the Intent to Graduate Form. This could take approximately six weeks following graduation. All of this information can be found on the Web at https://www.bellincollege.edu/campus-life/student-services/current-students/spring-commencement. If you have any questions, please call Gena in the Development office or email gena.vandomelen@bellincollege.edu

Commencement Reception

There will be a dessert reception directly following the ceremony. It will be set up in Classroom 113. We welcome all family members and friends to join us and feel free to take pictures.



Caps, Gowns, Tickets Etc...

Gowns have been distributed via InterOffice Mail. Please let me know if you did not receive it. You may decorate your cap in a tasteful manner. Tickets and cords were also be distributed with your gowns.

Senior Photos in January

Are you graduating in May, October or December, 2020?

If so, watch your emails in December to sign up for your senior photo session.

Turba Schroeder Photography will be on campus Jan. 21, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. and Jan. 22, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Please wear a white button down shirt (sizes small through extra large are provided for the ladies), as shown in the examples below. All photos are FREE and will be available to you as a download for use in portfolios, headshots for jobs and ID badges, etc.







COLLEGE UPDATES

Student Success Center Update—Letter from the Coordinator

First, a big thank you to our 14 student tutors and 12 faculty tutors this semester. Without you, the SSC would not be a success, and your willingness to assist others on campus is appreciated greatly.

This year, we are on pace to have even more students utilize the SSC than last year. As of Oct. 18, we have had about 900 students use the SSC at the midpoint of the semester, which means we are on pace to have students use the center about 300-400 more times than last year.



I also hope you have found our workshops useful this semester as we are happy to report that our workshop on APA format had 46 students attend and our workshop on career advice and personality types had 26 student attendees. Thank you for your participation in these events, and please feel free to email the SSC at ssc@bellincollege.edu with recommendations and requests for future workshop topics that you would like information about. I will continue to work to find workshops that matter to you, the students.

Despite all these positives, I must end this letter with some sad news. Our SSC assistant, Mary Safranski, has accepted the position of Adult Tutoring Program Coordinator at Literacy Green Bay and has left Bellin College. I personally wish you the best of luck in your future, Mary, and thank you for your hard work and dedication to assisting our students in the time you were here. It has been a pleasure working alongside you over the last year.

Please keep an eye on your email regarding personnel updates for the Student Success Center. We ask for your patience with tutoring drop-ins and appointments as we currently have less coverage in the center.

Sincerely,

Dr. Adam Sprague

Student Success Center Coordinator & Assistant Professor

If you have questions, feel free to contact Dr. Sprague at adam.sprague@bellincollege.edu or Dr. Rentmeester at casey.rentmeester@bellincollege.edu. We hope to see you there!



STUDENT REMINDER

Wear Your Student ID Badge

A friendly reminder to please wear your student ID badge at all times and at all class and clinical locations. Safety is everyone's responsibility and should be top priority for all of us. Your ID badge should be on your upper body, visible to all, preferably clipped at shoulder height.

If your badge holder isn't working, stop in the One Stop Shop for a new one.

COLLEGE ASSESSMENT PROGRAM: Dr. Brant Pearson

RN LICENSURE INFORMATION SESSION

All BSN prelicensure students scheduled to graduate in May 2020 are required to attend a RN licensure information session on Monday, April 6 in classroom 113 from 6:45-7:45 p.m. The process for applying for licensure will be reviewed.

KAPLAN ORIENTATION

On Thursday, Jan. 23, a Kaplan representative will be here from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in classroom 112 to provide an orientation to the Kaplan student website and resources. This session is required for the 15 month May 2021 cohort. Any other nursing students are welcome to attend to get a refresher on how to get the most out of the Kaplan resources.

TESTING

For Kaplan testing, nursing students will use their own personal computer or tablet. If you do not have a laptop or tablet, please notify Brant Pearson (brant.pearson@bellincollege.edu) immediately so we can have a loaner available for you. Due to computer requirements, BSRS students will use College laptops.

Students with approved testing accommodations will test in the library and are sent their specific testing times via email. It is expected that all students test at their scheduled time. If you did not receive a notice of a test listed, or should an emergency arise, please notify Brant Pearson as soon as possible.

Dr. Brant Pearson Office room 233 (920) 433-6625

brant.pearson@bellincollege.edu

STANDARDIZED TESTING: (see below)

BSRS

Class of 2020

Wed., April 1, 11:30a-3p HESI Exit Exam (Rm 107)

Class of 2021

Thurs., April 30, 4-5:30 p.m. Radiation Protection (L-50)

Class of 2022

Tues., April 21, 4-5:30 p.m. Patient Care (Rm 103)
Tues., April 28, 4-5:30 p.m. Image Acquisition (Rm 103)

STANDARDIZED TESTING Cont'd:

REMINDERS: Please put these dates on your calendar and plan ahead to assure attendance. It is an expectation that students attend when scheduled.

MSN

Tues., Feb. 18 8-10:30 a.m. Fitzgerald FNP Board Cert. Practice Exam (L-50)

BSN-15 Month

Class of 2020, 15 Month May

Tues., Feb. 4 4-6 p.m. Med Surg I (Rm 103)

Tues., Mar. 10 4-5:30 p.m. Management (Rm 103)

Mon., April 6 8:30-10 a.m. Med Surg

Comprehensive (Rm 112)

Monday, April 27 2-5:30 p.m. Diagnostics (Rm 112)

Class of 2020, 15 Month October

Tues., Mar. 3 12:30-2 p.m. Psychosocial (Rm 107) Wed., Mar. 25 8:30-10 a.m. Pediatrics (Rm 112) Wed., April 29 830-10 a.m. Pharmacology (Rm 112)

Class of 2021, 15 Month May

Thurs., Jan. 23 11:30a -2:30p Orientation (Rm 112)
Thurs., Mar. 26 1:30-3 p.m. Pathophysiology (Rm 104)

BSN-Traditional

Class of 2020, Traditional

Mon., Feb. 3 9-10:30 a.m. Pediatrics (Rm 104)
Tues., April 14 9a-12:30p Diagnostics (Rm 107)
Mon., April 20 9-10:30 a.m. Management (Rm 104)

Class of 2021, Traditional (No JTO)

Mon., Mar. 9 8:30-10 a.m. Pharmacology (Rm 103) Mon., April 27 8-10 a.m. Med Surg I (Rm 103)

Class of 2021, JTO

None

Class of 2022, Traditional

Wed., April 29 1:45-3:15 p.m. Pathophysiology (Rm 113)

The exams are also listed on the timetable. Take note as you fill your calendar for spring as to when your exams are scheduled. As always, if questions or concerns, please do contact Brant at brant.pearson@bellincollege.edu



FINANCIAL AID/SCHOLARSHIPS

GradReady.



FAFSA Reminder

If you have not yet filed a FAFSA for the upcoming 2020-21 academic year and would like to apply for federal and/or state aid including grants and loans, you should do so ASAP. The 2020-21 FAFSA will use your 2018 federal income tax data (those are the ones you sent in by April 2019). We are starting to load aid eligibility for federal and state grants etc., in the computer system and hope to have most aid loaded by the end of the spring semester for those who filed a FAFSA in a timely manner. Also, if your FAFSA was selected for Verification, you will receive a request from Barb Torzewski for additional documentation. These documents must be submitted to the financial aid office before we can offer any financial aid for the 2020-21 academic year. Reminder: If you are required to submit proof of income, we are able to accept only either one of two documents from you (and/or your parents): an IRS Tax Return Transcript issued by the IRS or a SIGNED copy of the 2018 federal income tax return (must be signed by the tax filer). We cannot accept a tax summary, a signed e-signature authorization, or other documents provided by a tax preparer. If you have any questions regarding the Verification process, please feel free to contact either Barb or Lena in the One Stop Shop.

2019-2020 Financial Literacy Scholarship

Once again Bellin College will be offering a \$500 scholarship

for the Spring semester. To qualify for the random drawing, all you need to do is log in to GradReady (www.bellincollege.gradready.com) and complete at least one Money Skills quiz (the pre-test quiz for a track does not qualify for the drawing — quiz must be on a topic within the Money Skills section). Complete at least one quiz before the end of December 2019 and you will be automatically registered for the drawing for the spring 2020 Bellin College Financial Literacy Scholarship. Eligibility for scholarship is limited to undergrad students; all students may use

If you have any questions regarding GradReady or loans, please stop by the financial aid office or contact Lena Goodman at

<u>Lena.Goodman@bellincollege.edu</u> or (920) 433-6638.

Bellin College represented by alumni, faculty and students at AAOMPT

The American Academy of Orthopaedic and Manual Physical Therapists (AAOMPT) recently held its annual meeting on Oct. 24-27 in Orlando, Florida.

Bellin College was well represented as a number of Bellin College faculty, students and Fellowship alumni presented in person or with poster presentations. Presenters included: Mark Milligan, Tom Denninger, Jodi Young, Chris Dickerson, Mark Shepherd, Eric Chaconas.

Bellin College also served as a sponsor of the event and hosted an information table.



For the latest updates, visit: www.bellincollege.edu





BOOK ORDERING PROCEDURE

Bellin College's Bookstore Opens 12/23/2019

Welcome to MBS Direct

MBS Direct has partnered with your school to provide a oustomized online bookstore. This bookstore is built around a course-driven system that ensures you order and receive the right book, right on time. Your textbooks and course materials are shipped from a state-of-the-art warehouse that is fully operational 24 hours a day, 5 days a week.

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BSN Program Spring 2020

NCLEX-RN Boot Camps Schedule for May 2020 BSN Candidates for Graduation

a/o 10/18/2019

Boot Camp	Date	Time	Location
Camp #1 (Option 1)	Monday, Jan. 27, 2020	8:30-10:30 a.m.	Classroom 104
Camp #1 (Option 2)	Thursday, Jan. 30, 2020	8-10 a.m.	Classroom 113
Camp #2 (Option 1)	Monday, Feb. 24, 2020	8:30-10:30 a.m.	Classroom 104
Camp #2 (Option 2)	Thursday, Feb. 27, 2020	8-10 a.m.	Classroom 113
Camp #3 (Option 1)	Thursday, March 26, 2020	12:45-2:45 p.m.	Classroom 113
Camp #3 (Option 2)	Monday, March 30, 2020	8-10 a.m.	Classroom 104
Camp #4 (Option 1)	Monday, April 13, 2020	8-10 a.m.	Classroom 104
Camp #4 (Option 2)	Thursday, April 16, 2020	12:45-2:45 p.m.	Classroom 113

The purpose of these "boot camp" sessions is to increase nursing student knowledge about the NCLEX-RN test plan. Suggested participants are May 2019 graduates, but all are welcome. The sessions are about two hours long and no preparation is necessary.

Questions regarding NCLEX preparation resources? Please contact Heidi Monroe, NCLEX-RN Coordinator at: heidi.monroe@bellincollege.edu or (920) 433-6674.



Pancake Breakfast

9 a.m. -noon Monday, Dec. 2

Join us in the Atrium for free pancakes, OJ, sausage and fruit!



Proudly support Bellin College with apparel and accessories from our new, and improved online store!



All proceeds from items located under the Support Student Senate tab go to help support student activities at Bellin College.

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Emergency Procedures & Campus Safety

Students should familiarize themselves with the Bellin College campus emergency evacuation plans posted throughout the building. During a fire drill, all students and employees are expected to vacate the building.

The College is equipped with emergency phones and call buttons. There are emergency phones in the parking lots, which can be identified by their blue lights. These phones access 911 emergency responses. There is also an emergency call button located in the campus wellness center. The College has a cardiac arrest mobile unit (AED or automated external defibrillator) located at the reception desk in the Atrium.

Campus safety: This is a shared responsibility between the College and its campus community members. There are security personnel on campus when students have access to the building. For assistance during regular business hours (8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), contact the One Stop Shop or call Bellin Health Security at (920) 433-7917. Security personnel will be patrolling the campus during nonbusiness hours, and will be stationed at the reception desk in the Atrium.

Inclement weather/class cancellations: If the hours of operation of the College are altered (cancellation of classes, labs, and/or practicum), there will be an announcement sent to all students via phone call, email and/or text message with the details of the delay/closure. These messages will be sent by the College's notification system, School Messenger. The Bellin College website and/or local radio and televisions stations will also be notified of delay/closure. Students are responsible for using personal judgment regarding their safety and travel to the College during inclement weather. If the College closes for reasons other than weather, check the website.

Information line: (920) 433-1933 Information about any closings will typically be available as early as 5 a.m. for day classes, labs and practicum, and typically by 1 p.m. for evening classes, labs and clinical experiences.



Bellin College Hours

General guidelines: Students may enter the main entrance door on the first floor or the back doors by using their ID badges. The College is open to the public from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The main entrance door will be open during regular business hours. Students' ID badges will allow access before and after regular business hours. Students are expected to leave the building by 8 p.m.

Hours are subject to change, namely, during holidays and summer months. A complete list of campus hours are found in the Undergraduate Student Handbook.

Student Access to the Building:

Monday – Thursday: 7 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Friday: 7 a.m.-8 p.m.

Saturday – 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Sunday - Closed

Library Access:

Monday – Friday: 7:30 a.m. – 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday - Closed

Computer Resource Center:

Monday – Friday: 7 a.m. – 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday - Closed

Health Sciences Resource Center:

(Practice Lab):

Monday – Friday: 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Saturday – 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Sunday - Closed

Wellness Center:

Monday – Friday: 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday - Closed

BC Express:

Monday – Friday: 7 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday - Closed









Join the conversation!