

BELLIN COLLEGE  
*forward*

*Fall/Winter 2023-2024*



**Sharpening Their Skills:**  
Inaugural Class of Surgical  
Assisting Students Prepare to  
Enter the Workforce

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# A Message From the President

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Dear Friends of Bellin College,

We have been busy at Bellin College! The college has many initiatives and exciting things happening as you will see as you review this edition of the Bellin College Forward. We continue to focus on the growth of our programs, financial sustainability, and graduating exceptional healthcare professionals that will be our future workforce.

There has been a lot of activity within our current and new academic programs. This fall, we added our 17th option, the Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program (PMHNP), which was approved by the Higher Learning Commission to begin in fall 2024. This program will help support the growing need of providers in the realm of mental health. The interest has been extremely positive, and we are confident we will meet our enrollment target. In addition, the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) was approved by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Our first class of Radiation Therapy students graduated in May 2023 and this program was approved by JRCERT (Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology) along with a renewal for the Radiologic Sciences program by JRCERT. In Fall 2023, the Sonography program welcomed the JRC-DMS (Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography) for reaffirmation of the abdomen, obstetrics, and vascular concentrations and is seeking new accreditation for a concentration in Pediatric Echo (cardiac). This program will be the fourth accredited in the United States. The college is preparing for an accreditation visit for the Orthopedic Manual Physical Therapy Fellowship (OMPT) program, the Bachelor of Science in Surgical Assisting (BSSA) program, and the reaffirmation visit by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). Our program options continue to help the growing needs in healthcare.

Our Healthcare Academy is going exceptionally well. This initiative helps high school students learn about careers in healthcare. Students can take up to 42 college credits that are transferable to any higher education system. The team helps them learn about the different career opportunities in healthcare, as well as earn college credit. This program currently serves 269 high students from the greater Green Bay and surrounding areas.

I want to congratulate the May, October, and December graduates this past year. Between these three classes, we provided 164 healthcare professionals in nursing, radiologic sciences, radiation therapy, sonography and physical therapy. Thank you for the continued support of our graduates as they are our future healthcare professionals. Your gift of scholarship makes this meaningful and achievable for our students.

This past October we held our Alumni event at the Backstage at the Meyer Theater. It was a great evening, with lots of wonderful alumni in attendance. I want to congratulate Dr. Amber Young-Brice as this year's Distinguished Alumni Award recipient. She is very deserving of this award and you can read of her accomplishments in this edition of the Forward.

Be sure to check out the many achievements in research, scholarship, and service completed by our faculty. Thank you for your sincere support towards Bellin College and our mission. Please take time to review the talents and successes the college has had. I look forward to your feedback and comments.

Appreciatively,

*Connie J. Boerst*

Connie J. Boerst, EdD, RN  
President/CEO  
Bellin College

# New Program Announcement

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## Bellin College Expands Graduate Nursing Program Offerings

Bellin College strives to prepare students for the changing needs of the community. One way this is put into action is through a variety of program options. Bellin College has added a Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) track to their graduate nursing program offerings. This new program continues the college's goal to prepare nurses who excel in professional practice and builds on their already successful undergraduate and graduate degrees in the nursing field.

“The PMHNP program is a perfect fit with our mission and values of excellence, integrity, community and caring,” said Mary Rolloff, Dean of Nursing at Bellin College. “Every day we see the pain and trauma of those with mental health challenges. We feel a moral imperative to make a difference.”

Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioners are advanced practice nurses who are licensed and credentialed as specialists in psychiatric-mental health nursing. Post-graduation, PMHNPs work in all areas of health care such as primary care, hospitals, community mental health centers and others.

“There is an enormous need for mental health care professionals,” says Lori Kulju, Graduate Nursing Program Director and Associate Professor. “And access to care is severely limited. Approximately 25% of adults with a mental illness reported are not getting treatment; the numbers are worse for youth. This program strives to prepare healthcare professionals who will support the needs of our communities and improve access to care for those in need.”

Students enrolled in the PHMNP program can choose to complete a master's, doctorate or a post-graduate certificate in the field. Bellin College is now enrolling students for Fall of 2024.





In 2020, Bellin College introduced the first Capital Campaign since 2009. The Achieving New Heights Campaign launched with the goal of raising \$15 million in support of scholarship and campus growth. In the past 5 years, Bellin College has grown to provide an educational journey to more than 900 students in 6 various career paths, including:

- Nursing
- Radiation Therapy
- Surgical Tech/Surgical Assisting
- Sonography
- Radiologic Sciences
- Physical Therapy

This growth has challenged the college to consider the changing needs of students, as well as the community. In 2022, Bellin College opened a second campus, housing Master and Doctoral Level Nursing, Physical Therapy, Sonography, and labs for other undergraduate level programs.

Thanks to partners like you, Bellin College is 85% of the way to reaching the \$15 million goal.

It doesn't stop there; we still need your help!

Your commitment to Bellin College makes it possible for students to receive a high-quality education through hands-on experience, community collaborations, and highly trained faculty and staff who are passionate about student success.

An investment in Bellin College students is truly an investment into the community. Nearly 97% of students are employed upon graduation. Of those students, 85% are staying in Northeast Wisconsin. These students are the future of care for our community and will be the ones caring for you and your loved ones.



The need for healthcare workers continues to climb. Bellin College is here to meet the needs of the community. All our undergraduate programs have transitioned to a three-year track, meaning students get into the workforce faster. This track means Bellin College students are in school year-round, perfecting their skills and coming into the workforce more knowledgeable and a year earlier than other programs.

Thanks to your support, Bellin College has been able to grow programs, increase enrollment, and provide our community with high quality healthcare professionals.

A gift supporting the Bellin College Achieving New Heights Campaign supports students through scholarship, campus amenities and state of the art practice labs for students to perfect their skills and knowledge. These students go right into the workforce, to do the difficult and important work of taking care of you and your loved ones. Bellin College is here to assist in alleviating this shortage and educating the next generation of healthcare professionals.

We humbly ask you to consider a gift supporting the Bellin College Achieving New Heights Campaign. You may make a gift online by scanning the QR code below, calling us at 920-433-6654 or mailing a gift made out to Bellin College to:

Bellin College  
Attn: Advancement Department  
3201 Eaton Road  
Green Bay, WI 54311

Thank you so much for your consideration and support of Bellin College students.



# A Message From the Board of Trustees Chairperson



Dear Friends of the College,

At Bellin College, the momentum is real—we continue to diversify and expand in order to focus on high-demand healthcare programs. Currently, we offer 14 undergraduate and graduate degrees, with curriculum based on current and future healthcare needs and opportunities.

The word of the year that has defined 2023 on most college and university campuses is "readiness". Educational readiness, to be more precise.

In other words, preparing students for jobs after graduation. Not a surprise, given the bleak national statistics: the number of students who earn a college degree within 6 years of enrolling is only 62 percent. Nearly a third of the remaining never graduate. Currently, 45 million Americans, many who never obtained a degree, are paying nearly \$2 trillion in college debt.

Bellin College begins preparing students for life after college, along with a rewarding career—from the moment that student arrives on campus. Our graduates are highly sought after by leading healthcare providers, so securing a meaningful professional position is not a challenge. With overall employment in healthcare occupations projected to grow by 1.8 million openings annually for the next decade, the future for our graduates is indeed bright.

Thank you for all you have done and continue to do to support Bellin College. You allow our mission and vision for the future to flourish and grow. You are an essential part of this success story that began in 1909 educating nurses. One hundred and fourteen years later, together we carry on.

Sincerely,

Mike Van Asten | Bellin College Board of Trustees Chairperson

## Statements of Financial Position



To view the Bellin College 2022-2023 Annual Report, please scan the code with your phone camera.

Assets	2023	2022
Cash and cash equivalents	\$1,741,106	\$3,173,791
Tuition receivable - Net	\$148,553	\$139,169
Unconditional promises to give - Net	\$5,460,848	\$4,818,885
Prepaid expenses and other	\$433,673	\$396,188
Investments - Without donor restriction	\$11,875,875	\$10,842,791
Investments - Limited as to use	\$15,722,160	\$14,263,970
Property and equipment - Net	\$14,840,189	\$13,412,746
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$50,222,404</b>	<b>\$47,047,540</b>
Liabilities and Net Assets	2023	2022
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Bond payable	\$5,361,734	\$5,882,399
Right-of-use obligation	\$57,035	\$49,959
Accounts payable - Operations	\$177,291	\$116,399
Accrued salaries and benefits	\$1,207,988	\$939,109
Due to affiliate	\$6,043,236	\$3,930,025
Deferred student tuition	\$767,339	\$774,272
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$13,614,623</b>	<b>\$11,692,163</b>
<b>Net Assets:</b>		
Without donor restrictions	\$14,374,759	\$16,075,392
With donor restrictions	\$22,233,022	\$19,279,985
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>\$36,607,781</b>	<b>\$35,355,377</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$50,222,404</b>	<b>\$47,047,540</b>

# Bellin College by the Numbers

**931** Total Students Enrolled *(Academic Year: 2022 – 2023)*

**UNDERGRADUATE**

BSN: 237  
BSRS: 53  
BSDMS: 46  
BSRT: 29  
BSSA: 9

**MSN**

NE: 14  
FNP: 63

**POST-GRADUATE CERTIFICATES**

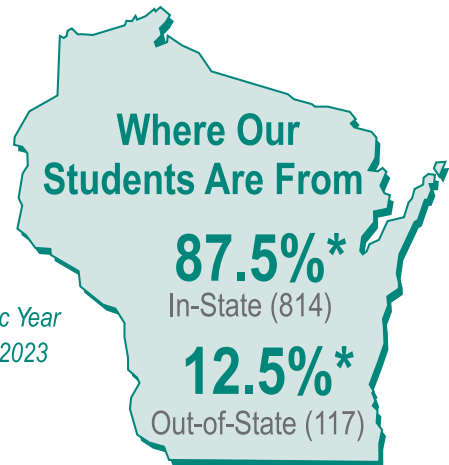
FNP-PGC: 4  
OMPT: 40

**DOCTORATE**

DNP: 18  
DPT: 23  
DScPT: 48

**ADDITIONAL STUDENTS**

Non-Degree Seeking: 347



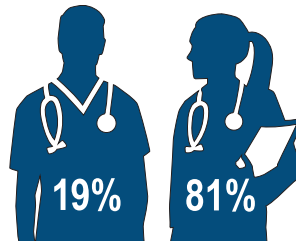
*Academic Year 2022 – 2023*

*\*Self-reported numbers based on home address*



*Self reported for Academic Year 2022-2023*

**Male to Female Student Ratio**



*Academic Year 2022 – 2023*

**\$2.5 MILLION**



**Scholarship Dollars Awarded**

*in Fiscal Year 2022-23*

**Student-to-Faculty Ratio**

**8:1**

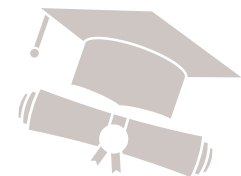
*Academic Year 2022 – 2023*

**91%**

of students are employed after graduation\*, and of those students...

**78%**

work in Northeast Wisconsin.



*\*91% of the May 2023 graduates that responded to the Bellin College Graduate Survey were employed*

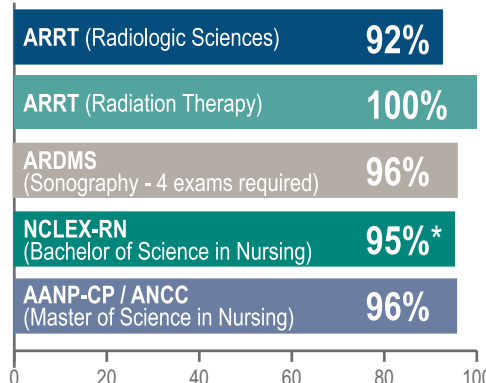
**Student Population Diversity**

*Academic Year 2022 – 2023*

White: 86% (799)  
Hispanic/Latino: 2.4% (22)  
American Indian or Alaskan Native: .6% (6)  
Asian: 2.4% (24)

Black or African American: 1.2% (12)  
Two or more races: 3.4% (32)  
Unknown: 3.8% (36)

**Licensure Pass Rates**



*Academic Year 2022 – 2023*

*Surgical Assisting is a new program and did not have graduates in 2022-2023.*

*\*2022 Wisconsin Annual NCLEX Pass Rate, State of Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services, <https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/NursingSchools.aspx>*

# Alumni Spotlight

## Three Graduates. Three Programs. One Family.

For the Soda family, Bellin College has been a family affair. Three of the four children in the family chose to attend Bellin College to pursue their healthcare education. Max, the eldest sibling, is a nursing graduate from the class of 2020; Nellie, the middle sibling, is a sonography graduate from the class of 2021; and Molly, the youngest sibling, is a radiology graduate from the class of 2023.

The Soda family is from Princeton, Wisconsin, where parents Kevin and Mary own a family farm that has been in the family since 1863. Mary shared that growing up, all four children were expected to help around the farm in some capacity, whether it was cutting wood, pulling weeds, or working in the hop yard. However, not one of them chose a career in farming. Instead, all four of their children found careers in healthcare, including Sam, the only non-Bellin College graduate, who recently earned his Doctorate in Optometry from Indiana University.

Currently, Max is working as a travel nurse at Marshfield Medical Center and is considering the idea of going on to nurse practitioner or certified registered nurse anesthetist school in the future.

Since graduating, Nellie has accepted a job at Aspirus Hospital in Wausau, Wisconsin and still loves it almost three years later. She is currently completing her echocardiography certificate at Bellin College, and upon completion of the program, may take a traveling sonography position to see other facilities across the country.

Molly is the family's most recent graduate and is working in the MRI department at ThedaCare in Neenah. She hopes to gain some valuable experience and work her way up to a lead technician or supervisor.

When the Soda siblings were asked why they each chose Bellin College, all three said that they felt the small class sizes, advanced technology, and hands-on training would provide them with a high-quality education.

Nellie went on to share that another selling point for her was the variety of specialties of ultrasound that she could study at Bellin College. She said, "It is rare to find a school that offers all the major disciplines (abdomen, OBGYN, vascular and echo) of sonography."







Molly echoed what Nellie had to say about the wide range of specialties offered, noting that “the ability to specialize in MRI, mammography and CT is a major advantage for any future radiologic technologist.”

Each of the Soda siblings has their own unique reason for pursuing a career in healthcare. Max originally thought about attending physical therapy school but found his way into nursing after breaking his ankle in his senior year of high school playing football. Max said, “A family friend of ours was one of my nurses, and I recall how her presence and care made for such a positive experience and helped influence me to want to do the same for others.” He also shared that his mom, Mary, who is also a nurse, may have persuaded him to consider a career in nursing.

Nellie’s mind was made up on pursuing ultrasound after doing a job shadow in high school at a local hospital. She loves that sonography offers her time to interact with her patients personally. She says, “I really enjoy being the ‘detective’ trying to find what is causing my patient to not feel well and getting the best images to tell their story.”

Like Max, Molly’s interest in radiology was inspired after a serious fourwheeling accident she was in during the 7th grade. She was fascinated by the scans performed and the images that were taken.

Max is a graduate of the Bellin College Bachelor of Science in Nursing 15 Month program, which is a fast-track nursing program. While the program is not for everyone, Max was appreciative of the time management skills he acquired throughout the program and feels that it has prepared him for an easy transition into the field.

Parents Kevin and Mary shared how impressed they were with how well each one of their children was prepared for their

licensure tests and future careers. Mary said, “The hands-on learning and clinical rotations were outstanding in preparing them to step into their careers.”

Growing up, the siblings were close. Like most brother and sister relationships, they had their fair share of competitions and disagreements, but they would always find a way to get over it. Over the years and now into adulthood, they have all found things to bond over, and whether it is work or hobby related, they put forth the effort to stay close. Max and Nellie love to hunt, although Molly has shot the biggest buck by far. Max and Nellie are the only two whose paths crossed while attending Bellin College. They would take turns practicing skills and scans on one another and would make time for family dinners. Molly was never in school with her siblings but would often bump into each other on clinical days. Nellie shared that when she learned that Molly decided to attend Bellin College, she was relieved knowing that Molly would enjoy the atmosphere and receive a great education.

As the youngest of four siblings, and of three who graduated from Bellin College, Molly is grateful that she always had the best role models.

Family legacy is common at Bellin College; however, it is unusual to find three siblings who have each chosen a different career path. Max said, “we’re family and part of the Bellin College family, too!”

Over the years, many of the faculty and staff members at the College have had an opportunity to meet the Soda family. Kevin and Mary said that over the years, “Bellin College has become near and dear to our hearts. Each person we have met is friendly and inviting and has cared about the success of our children. It feels like a home away from home.”



From Left to Right: Dr. Connie Boerst, Nan Bush, Matt Rentmeester, Kelly Englebert, Molly Vandervest, Dr. Dennis Awen, Kurt Hess, and Thomas Awen.



## Donor Spotlight

Brothers Dr. Dennis and Mr. Thomas Awen wanted to find a way to remember their parents for their long dedication to the practice of medicine. Their father, Dr. Charles F. Awen, was a pathologist for Bellin Hospital for 30 years while their mother, Dr. Kim Y. Chung, was invited to set up her practice at the hospital in Oconto. The brothers recall many days when their parents would come home late; little did they know that those long hours were spent helping the ill, sick, injured and those who needed their services.

Upon the passing of their mother in 2017 and their father in 2021, the brothers wanted to pay tribute to their parents in a meaningful way. They made a gift to the Bellin Health Foundation in recognition of their mother's long service in Oconto and to help the Oconto Hospital. They chose to give a gift to Bellin College in memory of their father.

Their father worked with many nurses during his professional career. Being aware of the increased demand for nurses, they felt the best way to aid the community and the profession was to make a gift supporting the students of Bellin College.

Dennis and Thomas feel the people of Northeastern Wisconsin need more medical professionals. Nurses are the front line of the medical profession and one of the first caregivers to help patients in a clinical or hospital setting.

We, as a society, are entering a time when the shortage of nurses in the medical profession is only going to escalate. Dennis and Thomas feel that being a nurse can be a thankless job. Nurses see people at their lowest and people look to them to fix their ailments; they are the first to share with providers what those ailments are. Not only did they want to give a gift to remember their parents, but the brothers also wanted to give a gift to help people. Those people are nurses. Whenever they would visit their parents at work, they recognized that nurses were the foreground of the hospital operations.

They made a generous gift to ensure the memory of their parents lives on in the hearts of future generations and in recognition of their parents' decades-long service to the ill. The brothers shared, "Unlike some memorials made of granite and stone, this gift helps and will continue to help new classes of nurses graduate and enter the community to help those who need medical help."

***"By giving this donation, we ensure that our parents live on in the hearts and minds of nurses that graduate from Bellin College." -The Awen Brothers***

# Student Spotlight

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## Kyla Jochimsen

*Senior Bachelor of Science in Surgical Assisting Student*

When Kyla Jochimsen, a senior surgical assisting student at Bellin College, was a sophomore in high school, she had to have ankle reconstruction surgery. While for many that would be a bad day, for Kyla it was the start of finding her passion for surgery.

“I have wanted to work in an operating room since I was a little kid,” said Kyla. “When I had my ankle surgery, I discovered I had an interest in orthopedics and wanted to help others the same way that they helped me. Once I learned that Bellin College offered the surgical assisting program, I quickly applied!”

Bellin College currently houses the only bachelor’s degree program in the country for surgical assisting. The three-year program teaches students the necessary skills of a Surgical First Assistants. This position anticipates the needs of the surgical team during the procedure and works closely with the surgeon in the operating room. They provide aid in areas such as surgical site exposure, bleeding control, and wound closure. They also perform any necessary intraoperative functions that help the surgeon carry out the operation. Bellin College launched its BSSA program in 2021 while maintaining the quality programs for which they are already known for.

“My favorite part of the BSSA program at Bellin College is the small class sizes. This has given me more opportunity for one-on-one time with our amazing professors and our program director,” said Kyla.

Kyla is part of the first cohort of the surgical assisting program at Bellin College and is eager to start her post-graduation career in a surgical center that specializes in orthopedics. She is immensely happy with her decision to attend Bellin College.

“I would recommend Bellin College to any student who is interested in the medical field. Our college has so much to offer,” said Kyla. “Bellin College has adequately prepared me for my future career in so many ways and I cannot wait to see what the future has in store for me.”



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# Distinguished Alumni Award



## *Congratulations to Dr. Amber Young-Brice!*

Dr. Amber Young-Brice is the 2023 recipient of the Bellin College Distinguished Alumni Award for her many achievements throughout her educational and professional career.

As a two-time Bellin College alum, Dr. Young-Brice received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing in 2006 and her Master of Science in Nursing in 2010. She then moved onto UW-Milwaukee where she earned her Ph.D.

Dr. Young-Brice began her professional career at Bellin College as well, starting as an instructor while finishing her master's degree. After working for her alma mater, Amber started working for Marquette University as a clinical instructor. She has advanced in her time there to an assistant clinical professor, assistant professor and most recently, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs.

Dr. Young-Brice has won a variety of awards for her teaching, one being the Teaching Excellence and Excellence in Diversity Award in 2022. She has also published four manuscripts in peer-reviewed journals and has presented research at multiple national and international conferences.

As a nursing educator at Marquette University, Dr. Young-Brice is committed to excellence in all she does to exemplify the Bellin College values in the nursing field.

“I owe so much to the solid foundation I gained at Bellin College, not only as a nurse, but as a teacher, mentor, scholar, etc.,” said Young-Brice. “Bellin College provided me with what I needed to get to where I am today.”



## YMCA Partnership

Bellin College lives out the value of community through various community partnerships. One example is the college's collaboration with the Greater Green Bay YMCA. This partnership creates opportunities for our students and staff to make an impact in the community through hands-on learning initiatives.

This unique collaboration provides students in almost all of Bellin College's programs the opportunity to learn through volunteer work and teaches students about health and wellness. Physical therapy students are involved in the "Exercise with Parkinson's" program, while nursing and sonography students volunteer with blood pressure and echocardiogram scans in February for Heart Health month. Additionally, a representative from the YMCA educates Bellin College radiologic sciences, sonography and radiation Therapy students on time management and living a mentally, emotionally, and physically healthy life.

Physical therapy students are required to complete an Integrated Clinical Experience (ICE) as part of their coursework. Last summer, students and faculty in this program began a collaborative partnership with the "Exercise with Parkinson's" group at the Greater Green Bay YMCA. Parkinson's is a disease that impacts each diagnosed person differently. It is a progressive disease without cure that shrinks movements, causing tremors and small shuffling patterns. The severity ranges from high functioning in which one wouldn't even know if a person has the disease to low functioning in

which the person is highly dependent on others. The goal of this program is to slow progression of the disease and help participants maintain current abilities.

When Bellin College began working with these patients, there were two groups. Due to high demand, they recently expanded to three groups with a growing waiting list. Each group is based on the needs of the patients and varies in size – with a total of 18 patients participating.

Students begin their experience by aiding the patients with the exercises and grow into facilitating the activities for the day. They like to work with the patients to identify what activities they enjoy doing and incorporating those into the class.

Some of the activities the students facilitate include:

- General movement
- Stretching
- Diaphragm support through yelling or shouting
- Balance
- Coordination
- Functional movement (getting up off the floor)
- Aerobic Training

Assessments are completed every six months, where they work together to complete the outlined tests. A score sheet is completed for each patient to share with their neurologist and keep for their records.

Since the start of this partnership, patients have shared that the program is more challenging than it had been in the past, which they like. Patients like to know they are working hard.

Nursing and Sonography students also participate in preventative screenings. In February 2023, the Bellin College sonography students worked with the YMCA to invite the community to the Bellin College Michael Van Asten Campus to participate in a complimentary preventative screen. Those who signed up participated in a 30-minute screen and were given a report upon completion sharing their findings and recommendations. In February, the 28-person capacity was quickly met. This year they are excited to offer this opportunity to 40 individuals.

This endeavor places students in real-life situations where the senior students act as the lead sonographer, overseeing the scans of the two underclassmen. This is a great opportunity for students to experience the value of service as well as learning leadership skills.

Nursing students also collaborate with the YMCA to provide complimentary blood pressure checks during the month of February. They are tasked with collecting background information for participants, taking their blood pressure and sharing their findings with the patients. One student shared, “It allowed us to start our clinical journey in something we have been trained to do. It taught us how to be professional in the real world and work among our peers to treat the community.”

This collaboration demonstrates the value students find in serving the community. Faculty and staff see the value in identifying unique opportunities to keep students engaged and learning in new ways.

Thank you to the Greater Green Bay YMCA for working with Bellin College faculty and students to provide experiences where students can learn and grow into knowledgeable healthcare professionals.



# Care & Share Cupboard



Last year, Giving Week donations supported the Care and Share Cupboard. Gifts during this time gave this project the momentum needed to designate a space and obtain resources for students to go when they are in need of essential items, at no cost. The goal of the Care and Share Cupboard is to lessen the burdens of students and make things a little easier.

The Care and Share Cupboard is a resource designed to aid students in need of essential items. The Cupboard is stocked with non-perishable food items, toiletries, scrubs, and other essentials, ensuring every student has access to basic necessities to support their well-being. Students are welcome to anonymously visit the Cupboard as frequently as needed to support their day-to-day needs.

Thanks to the generous support of donors, the Care and Share Cupboard opened for student use in early September 2023. Since opening, the Cupboard has been stocked twice a month and has seen over 30 visits.

Sarah Woolsey, Bellin College Campus Life Coordinator, shares: “We tried to put few limitations on the Cupboard so that students feel welcomed to use it as much as they need! For some students that means a trip once a semester, but for others it may mean a trip every week. We want them to feel open to use the space as they need it.”

Thanks to generous in-kind support, the Cupboard will continue to be a resource for students.

A current list of items needed for the Cupboard include:

- Individually packaged health snacks (rice cakes, popcorn, veggie straws, etc.)
- Frozen meals (pizzas, Hot Pockets, burritos, Uncrustable sandwiches, etc.)
- Toiletries
- Bottled beverages (Gatorade, Body Armour, Etc.)
- School Supplies

If you are interested in donating items in support of the Care and Share Cupboard, please reach out to Casey Deuster via email at [casey.deuster@bellincollege.edu](mailto:casey.deuster@bellincollege.edu) or via phone at 920-433-6654.

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***“The Care and Share Cupboard will support students in difficult times for years because of the amazing people who donated to this cause!” – Benny Rieth, Director of Student Affairs and DEI***

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# Doctor of Physical Therapy

## *White Coat Ceremony*



Bellin College hosted the first annual Doctor of Physical Therapy White Coat Ceremony on October 13, 2023. This ceremony recognized the 2nd year Doctor of Physical Therapy students as they prepare to enter their clinical rotations. Twenty-three DPT students were given white coats by their program instructors.



# Congratulations to the October and December Classes of 2023!

Bellin College October Commencement was held on October 13, 2023 at the Ashwaubenon Performing Arts Center. The graduating class consisted of 12 students from the Bachelor of Science in Nursing 15-Month program.

The December Commencement was held on December 8, 2023 at the Salvation Army Ray & Joan Kroc Corps Community Center. The graduating class consisted of 11 students from the Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Sciences program.



Bachelor of Science in Nursing 15-Month Class of October 2023



Bachelor of Science in Radiology Class of December 2023



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