

About the Faculty

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Learn more about our faculty:

Kim Aquila RN, MS

Assistant Professor

Hello! My name is Kim Aquila and I started my nursing career with my BSN from the University of Virginia in 1979 and have clinical experience in medical-surgical, critical care, ambulatory and community health nursing. I completed my MS in Nursing, Oncology focus, from the University of Rochester in 1986 and have 3 years experience as a nutritional support nurse at the University of Rochester Medical Center. But clearly my work's passion has been teaching nursing with a student success focus. I started teaching nursing at MCC in the evening/weekend program in 1989. Eighteen of my twenty years of teaching experience has been here at MCC and during that time have taught Fundamentals, NUR 112 and NUR 214 on a part-time or adjunct basis. I have also taught for 2 years in another ADN program in CT. Now full-time in NUR 214, I am really looking forward to working with all of you! Welcome!

Lori Kennedy RN, BSN, CCRN

Lecturer

I'm Lori Kennedy, the newest member of the 214 team. I started my experience at MCC as an adjunct instructor Spring 2005 and have loved every minute. My clinical site is Unity Hospital on a pulmonary unit and a cardiac unit. I have been an RN since 1978. The majority of my nursing career has been at Unity Hospital, 24 years which were in the ICU. I have also worked as an Educator in the Clinical Education Department as Clinical Practice Associate at Unity Health

System. I am currently working on my Masters in Nursing Education at St. John Fisher College which will be complete after submitting my thesis. I hope to get to know most of you during the semester

Dawn Padden-Mohr

Instructor

My name is Dawn Padden-Mohr and I am an Acute Care NP at Unity Hospital. I work in the Cardiac Cath lab, as well as some hours weekly in the Emergency Department. I have a BS degree from Keuka college and my Masters is from the University of Buffalo. My original Nurses training was at the Associate level in Syracuse New York. I feel fortunate to have found a profession that I really enjoy. Outside of work, I am a married mother of four busy young children.

Sherry Ruckert RN, MS, FNP

Assistant Professor

Hi, my name is Sherry Ruckert and I have been teaching in the NUR 214 course for seven years now. I am an Assistant Professor here at MCC.

I have a bachelor's degree in Nursing from U of R and a master's in Family Practice Nursing from St. John Fisher. I've been a nurse for 32 years now and am still enjoying it! I began working at Genesee Hospital on a surgical floor and then became a clinician in Plastic Surgery. I went from that to a Nurse Teacher via a Master's in Health Education, and worked to design a local school district's entire health curriculum from K through 12. A lot of those teaching principles hold true for teaching here at MCC and you may see some of them! Welcome to your final course in this program.

Audrey Shafer RN, MS

Instructor

Hi, I am Audrey Shafer and I am a part time instructor in NUR 214. I teach clinical at Strong Memorial Hospital on 5-1400, a medical/ENT unit, and 6-3400, a medical oncology unit. I also teach NUR 214 conference. I have been teaching NUR 214 at MCC since 2004.

I received my Bachelor's degree from Penn State University in 1994 and my Master's degree in nursing administration from St. John Fisher College in 2000. My primary areas of practice have been oncology nursing and nursing management. I truly enjoy working with and mentoring students. Outside of work, I love reading, spending time with my family, and vacationing in Maine.

Janice Volland RN, MS

Professor

Hello. My name is Jan Volland. I have been teaching in MCC's Department of Nursing since 1985.

Nursing Education has been a great career for me. I have taught Fundamentals, both Medical Surgical courses, as well as both the Foundations of Nursing and the Issues in Nursing courses.

Before teaching at MCC, I worked at Strong Memorial Hospital in both Inpatient Medical and Surgical settings while obtaining my Master of Science Degree in Oncology Nursing. I also taught as an adjunct at both Finger Lakes Community College and St. John Fisher College.

Several years ago I chose an opportunity to switch into Pediatric Nursing as my clinical practice site. It has been a challenging and rewarding chance to learn new skills. Since I rotate all NUR 214 students through my clinical site, I do not have my own clinical group. Please stop by and visit me in my office in 9-207 when you get a chance.

