University of Utah College of Nursing PhD Program Director Margaret Clayton has received one of nine Daniels Fund Ethics Initiative Leadership in Ethics Education Awards for 2014-2015.

The David Eccles School of Business announced the awards Dec. 16.

Clayton was recognized for her simulation course about the responsible conduct of research.

“These colleagues were chosen on behalf of our faculty for their successful efforts to create new ethics-related courses, to integrate new business ethics content into existing courses, to mentor students on ethics initiatives, and to help make business ethics a permanent fabric of our business school and other University of Utah academic programs and curricula,” Daniels Fund Ethics Initiative professor Abe Bakhsheshy and Bill Hesterly said in a statement.

The overarching purpose of Dr. Clayton’s project was to develop ethically based simulated scenarios and evaluate the use of simulation pedagogy to enhance student application of ethical principles in PhD education. These scenarios were drawn from faculty discussions of ethical questions and problems they have encountered when supervising PhD students during the implementation of student dissertation research. Scenarios were conducted in the Clinical Simulation Center within the College of Nursing. The simulation lab provided a safe controlled environment where Nursing PhD students could apply learned didactic ethical principles and offered faculty a way to enhance integration of ethical research principles into the PhD program.

In addition to Clayton, the other award recipients are:

Jeff Coles- Finance Department

Krishnan Anand & Manu Goyal- Operation Management

Flannery Stevens- Management Department

Brad Vierig- Executive Education

Stacey Overholt- Communications Department
Margaret Clayton- College of Nursing

Jose Zagal- School of Computing and Entertainment Arts and Engineering / College of Engineering

Lina Svedin- Political Science Department

Lynn Suksdorf- Management Department