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Recognition:

[The American Academy of Nursing selected 225 distinguished nurse leaders to be inducted into the 2021 Class of Fellows.](#)

Induction into the Academy is one of the most prestigious honors in nursing. Distinguished by their substantive and sustained contributions to health and health care, the inductees will be recognized at the Academy's annual Health Policy Conference on October 7-9, 2021. The 2021 Class of Fellows includes five College of Nursing faculty and three alumni, which is a testament to our faculty's accomplishments within the profession of nursing, and exceptional and impactful leadership in national and global health care.

- Faculty:
 - **Dr. Linda Edelman**, Associate Professor
 - **Dr. Perry Gee**, Adjunct Assistant Professor
 - **Dr. Lauri Linder**, Associate Professor
 - **Dr. Michelle Litchman**, Assistant Professor
 - **Lee Moss**, Adjunct Instructor
- Alumni:
 - **Dr. Emma Kurnat-Thoma**, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Georgetown University School of Nursing and Health Studies
 - **Dr. Virginia LeBaron**, Associate Professor, University of Virginia School of Nursing
 - **Dr. Susan VanBeuge**, Associate Professor in Residence, University of Nevada Las Vegas

The American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) selected **Dr. Rebecca Wilson** to participate in the [2021 Digital Academy](#). Through a collaboration between AACN and Apple, this event will take place on November 30-December 2, 2021. One of only 30 individuals selected from AACN member institutions, Rebecca will learn from Apple development executives and Apple distinguished educators, receive training and tools to sharpen her skills as a digital content creator, and develop a digital project that aligns with one of the 10 Domains delineated in the new *Essentials*. The Digital Academy also offers a unique experience for participants to network with colleagues from schools nationwide.

Presentation:

Dr. Katarina Felsted was an invited speaker at “Making the Case for Age Inclusivity,” the inaugural session of the Gerontological Society of America’s four-part “Campus Conversations: Advancing Age Inclusivity in Higher Education.” Each session features case studies and conversation with those who are also working to further age-inclusive principles on their campuses.

In the Media:

Dr. Deanna Kepka’s work to increase human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination rates was featured in the [Rural Health Information Hub \(RHlhub\)](#). The article titled [Federal Agencies’ Investment in Rural Cancer Control Fosters Partnerships between Researchers and Rural Communities](#) included a section about Deanna and her team members’ work to assess providers’ knowledge about HPV vaccination and recommended practices, identify obstacles to HPV vaccination, develop and test an HPV vaccination text message, and survey more than 1,400 18- to 26- year-old persons who live in western US states about their vaccination status.