



COLLEGE OF  
**NURSING**  
UNIVERSITY OF UTAH

# COLLEGE KUDOS



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**April 18, 2022**

## **Award:**

**Dr. Caroline Stephens** received the 2022 University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) PhD Mentor of the Year Award, which will be presented at the UCSF School of Nursing's commencement ceremony on June 2, 2022, at Davies Symphony Hall in San Francisco.

## Grant Awards:

Members of the Academic Leadership team selected two individuals for Intramural Scholarship Award funding. The College of Nursing developed this funding to support a scholarly project or research study that addresses a significant problem or issue in healthcare, and results in a determined deliverable.

- **Dr. Kimberly Garcia** will receive \$10,000 for her project titled *Educational Activity about COVID with Low-Literacy Guatemalan Comadronas in the Remote Peten*.
- **Dr. Jessica Ellis** will receive \$10,000 for her project titled *A Multi-site Prospective Exploratory Study of Water Birth*.

Academic Programs selected three individuals for Global Health Intramural Scholarship funding. Academic Programs established this funding for a faculty scholarly project or research study that addresses a Global Health concern or topic, engages undergraduate and/or graduate students at the College of Nursing, and results in a pre-determined deliverable.

- **Dr. Deanna Kepka** will receive \$30,000 for her project titled *Assessment of University of Utah College of Nursing Community Based Partnerships in the Era of COVID-19*. Collaborators include **Dr. Debra Penney**, **Dr. Schola Matovu**, **Dr. Echo Warner**, and Sara Carbajal Salisbury.
- **Dr. Schola Matovu** will receive \$30,000 for her project titled *Promoting Health Equity Through a Collaborative Transcultural Learning Experience and Leadership Development of Nurses*. Collaborators include **Dr. Deanna Kepka**, **Dr. Debra Penny**, Linda Gregory, and Joseph Mwizerwa.
- **Dr. Kimberly Garcia** will receive \$30,000 for her project titled *One College of Nursing Supporting Guatemalan Women Throughout the Life Span*. Collaborators include **Dr. Julie Gee**, **Dr. Lisa Taylor-Swanson**, and **Dr. Keanna Kepka**.

## Publications:

**Ansari N**, Wilson CM, Heneghan MB, **Supiano K**, **Mooney K**. (2022). How technology can improve communication and health outcomes in patients with advanced cancer: an integrative review. *Support Care Cancer*. 2022. Epub ahead of print.

<https://doi.org/10.1007/s00520-022-07037-y>

Drury Z, Kotobalavu C, **Hofmann L**, Austria M-J. Examining the effects of a structured mentorship program on the nurse mentor: A pilot study engaging oncology nurses. *Clin J Oncol Nurs*. 2022;26(1):27-30. DOI: 10.1188/22.CJON.27-30

**Felsted KF**, **Supiano KP**, **Guo J-W**. Designing rigorous methods in integrative research: Comparing Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction with the Health Enhancement Program in the treatment of urge urinary incontinence in older adult women. *British Journal of Healthcare and Medical Research*. 2022;9(2):31-43. <https://doi.org/10.14738/jbemi.92.11949>

## Service:

**Dr. Kara Dassel** has been invited to serve on the National Institutes of Health [Neurological, Aging and Musculoskeletal Epidemiology \(NAME\) Study Section](#) that will meet in June 2022. This study section reviews applications on epidemiologic research on neurological disorders, conditions related to aging, musculoskeletal conditions, and communication and visual disorders.

Dr. Katharine Ullman, Associate Dean of the Graduate School, commended **Dr. Sara Hart** for contributing to review of the Department of Nutrition & Integrative Physiology. “Internal reviewers make a vital contribution to the quality of graduate education and the overall excellence of the University. We recognize that undertaking these reviews represents substantial time commitments from the internal reviewers. The Graduate School acknowledges the significant contribution you have made to our community and, in thanking you, would like to bring this important service to the attention of your College Dean as well.

## In the Media:

Mary Dickson from [PBS Utah interviewed Dr. Kathie Supiano](#) regarding [Caring Connections: A Hope in Comfort and Grief Program's Seeds of Remembrance 2022 event](#), which will be held on May 10, 2022, at 6:30 PM at the College of Nursing. The theme of this year's event is “When the Sun Comes Out,” and it will address COVID grief and the difficulties that all griever's faced during the pandemic.

The media covered the College of Nursing's plans to increase enrollment in its baccalaureate program.

- ABC4 News – [University of Utah nursing to increase enrollment by 25%](#)
- Gephhardt Daily – [U of U College of Nursing to expand enrollment](#)
- KSL.com – [Summer enrollment options added to U. nursing college to address Utah's nursing shortage](#)
- KSL News Radio – [Nursing program at U of U to expand](#)
- KUER – [University of Utah expanding nursing school enrollment](#)