

Jaime Sinutko is director of Rochester College's School of Nursing.

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News from RC...

New Student Orientation Redesigned To Fit Your Schedule

Rochester College has revamped its mandatory New Student Orientation program, allowing first-time college students to choose a date that best fits their schedule. NSO will be offered July 11, August 8 and August 19, and will provide information on a variety of topics, including academics, student activities, student organizations, career services, residential living and international programs.

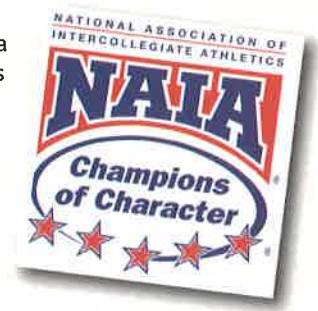
This year's NSO theme is Take Root! which is based on Ephesians 3:17-19. The fun continues for new students when school starts. During the first week of classes, NSO leaders have a week of activities planned to kick off your college career. Some of the activities include a luau dinner, movie night, and bowling and skating events.

For more information on NSO, visit www.rc.edu/nso or call 248.218.2042.

Rochester College Joins NAIA

The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, a governing body for athletics programs at nearly 300 colleges and universities, has accepted Rochester College as a member institution.

RC Athletics includes baseball, softball, men's and women's basketball, men's and women's soccer, volleyball, and men's and women's golf. Warrior Athletics will remain a part of the current association, the U.S. Collegiate Athletic Association, while also venturing into the NAIA.



"The NAIA has been around for 70 years and is nationally recognized," RC Athletic Director Klint Pleasant said. "The NAIA's Champions of Character program is highly regarded and fits perfectly with our mission here at Rochester College." For more information about RC Athletics, go to www.rochestercollegewarriors.com.

Softball Wins National Championship



The Rochester College softball team claimed the USCAA Championship title on May 8 after defeating St. Mary of the Woods in game two of a best-of-three game series. The Warriors won by a final score of 8-6, marking the first softball title in the history of the program!

An Authentic Experience:

Nursing Skills Lab



At Rochester College, we want students to have an authentic experience to gain the confidence they need to carry with them throughout their careers. This is no different when it comes to the newly completed nursing skills laboratory, which allows nursing students to train in a hospital-like environment without any added pressure.

"Learning occurs best when a student can apply theoretical material," said School of Nursing Director Jaime Sinutko. "This lab provides the chance for practical application of nursing procedures and use of equipment. It will be a place where scenarios can be worked through to help students perfect the skills they'll need in their clinical studies."

Designed to mimic a real hospital, the lab includes eight hospital beds (donated by Crittenton Hospital), over-bed tables, a sink and a family of four mannequins, which are used to provide simulated clinical experiences. The mannequins even have a pulse and the ability to breath, making them great tools for practicing invasive nursing procedures.

In his own words...meet pre-nursing student

Abimael Veras Jimenez

Abimael is a sophomore from Moca, Dominican Republic. After spending a year as a pre-nursing student, here's what Abi had to say about the program:



"Being a part of the RC nursing program has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my life. I came to Rochester College because I was looking for a quality education accompanied by strong Christian principles. During my short time as a student, I have grown academically and as a spiritual man, and this is what will set me apart from others in the medical field after graduation. The School of Nursing staff have been a positive and encouraging force as well. I can't begin to describe how excited I am to be a pre-nursing student and applying to the Rochester College School of Nursing!"

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Rochester College School of Nursing

Michigan Board of Nursing Approves Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree Program

In early June, the Michigan Board of Nursing officially approved Rochester College's bachelor of science in nursing degree program. We are now accepting applicants for our fall 2011 class. The nursing profession continues to grow dramatically, and we are now here to help you enter this thriving and personally rewarding field. Our 126-credit hour program prepares nurses who are both professionally skilled and socially conscious.

Students accepted to the School of Nursing enhance their understanding of health and illness while taking advantage of small class sizes, excellent student-faculty ratios and clinical work primarily with Crittenton Hospital. "We have been excited from day one to partner with Rochester College to develop a nursing program that will help meet the needs of the population for many years to come," said Lynn Orfgen, President and CEO of Crittenton Hospital.

The core principles found in any degree program at RC reflect the faith-based fundamentals that set Rochester College apart from other colleges and universities. In our nursing program, the curriculum is tailored to a relationship-based care model which seeks to create a caring and healing environment by supporting three main relationships: the nurse and self, the nurse and patient, and the nurse and colleagues. When these three relationships merge, a positive transformation in the nursing practice is possible.

The School of Nursing is now accepting applications for its fall 2011 class. First-time college students may apply for traditional nursing studies after pre-nursing requirements are completed and acceptance into the School of Nursing has been granted. For more information, visit www.rc.edu/nursing or call 248-218-2030.



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In her own words... meet

From the moments of controlled chaos in the trauma room—there's nothing like starting an IV in a jugular vein—to times that were much more relaxed and I was able to rock a baby to sleep, there was never a dull day in my 10 years as an emergency RN. The excitement of my job was renewed with each passing shift.



Jaime Sinuttko

When I came to Rochester College in 2010, it might have seemed as though I'd made a major career shift. However, as director of Rochester College's School of Nursing, I can honestly say the enthusiasm I have for my job is just as great. Words cannot describe the excitement I've felt during the past two years as I've been a part of the launch of Rochester College's nursing program. To see the School of Nursing reach its latest milestone—approval of the bachelor of science in nursing degree program—has been an adventure just as varied and rewarding as a day in the ER.

Student enrolled in the Rochester College School of Nursing will be prepared for all that the nursing specialty demands. I strongly believe nurses must possess a strong ethical foundation, passion for continued learning, caring attributes, and the ability to belong to and/or lead a team.

These values go hand-in-hand with the mission of Rochester College. More specifically, our nursing program is designed to prepare students in a relationship-based care model to be strong team players and leaders. Additionally, the small class sizes, built-in support and Christian community found at RC help any student succeed in reaching their goals.

As you make decisions about your future, I hope you will find the process to be as fun and fulfilling as my experiences have been for me—no matter what career field you choose. And if you make it to campus, I look forward to meeting you and hearing your story.

Jaime is pictured above (far right) in the nursing skills lab with fellow School of Nursing faculty Remylin Bruder and Sharon Heskitt.

Meet Recruiters...

Emily Polet

Emily graduated from RC in 2010 with a degree in Interdisciplinary Studies. While a student, she was highly involved in RC's various performance groups and Sigma Phi Delta Nu. She also participated in two Spring Break mission trips to inner-city Detroit and two summer-long internships to Uganda in East Africa.

Emily has experienced first-hand the community-focused and relationship-driven atmosphere found at RC. "The dedication of the faculty and staff to student growth and success is what is most valuable about an education at Rochester College. The small size of our school creates an environment where professors are able to cultivate relationships with students in a way that is simply not practical to expect in a larger school."

Emily says she could talk all day long about situations where professors poured into her development, not just as a student, but as a person. In fact, she'd love to talk to you! Emily's recruiting territory includes the Michigan zip codes 48100-48199 and the New England region.



Jen Fulton

Jen grew up in Columbia City, IN and graduated from Rochester College in 2007. While at RC, she studied business management and was active in campus life, including Student Government and IMAGE.

Jen attributes RC to being her home-away-from-home and the place that prepared her for a career immediately following graduation. "The tight-knit community and integrated learning model found at RC provide a college experience that shapes who you are as a person, Christian and professional, leaving you well-equipped for life post-grad."

Jen is passionate about the Greater Rochester area and all it has to offer, and she's eager to share her knowledge about RC and the community with you. She serves as admissions recruiter for Michigan zip codes 48500-49999, Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Iowa, Idaho, Kansas, Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, Nebraska, New Mexico, Nevada, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

