

Honors and Awards for Simmons Graduate Nursing Students

Faculty Achievement Award

This award is presented annually to (a) graduate(s) of the program selected by the faculty who has shown: determination and strength in academic and clinical achievements; Potential for outstanding contribution to primary health care Nursing

The Susan Neary Excellence in Clinical Practice Award

Awarded annually by the faculty in recognition of excellence in the practice of primary health care nursing. This award is given in honor of Dr. Susan Russell Neary, an alumna of Simmons College, beloved Simmons faculty member for more than 30 years, and founding director of the Doctor of Nursing Practice program. An expert clinician and well-respected scholar, Dr. Neary held students to the highest of standards in the delivery of care. Throughout her career, she contributed to role development, clinical expertise and leadership of countless Nurse Practitioners.

Excellence in Research

Awarded annually to the student(s) completing the research sequence in recognition of excellence in scholarly work and the pursuit of nursing science through evidenced based research.

The Alyssa M. Frazar “Love of Life” Award

Alyssa Frazar was a member of the Simmons College Direct Entry Master’s Program class of 2011 who passed away unexpectedly in the fall of 2010. Alyssa is remembered by her family, friends, peers, and faculty as an individual who loved all that life had to offer. Alyssa’s passion for life was expressed through her love of learning, her love of her family, her love of her friends, and her compassion for her patients. Alyssa was never overwhelmed with life’s numerous surprises, and was a constant example of how to live with grace, exuberance, and peace. Alyssa met the challenges of balancing the Direct Entry program without losing light of family commitment and the importance of friendship with unparalleled liveliness. Alyssa’s passion and excitement for all aspects of life will be forever remembered by those who knew, and are honored through this award.

Criteria

The Alyssa M. Frazar “Love of Life” Award will be given to a graduating Direct Entry Master’s student who possesses the ability to balance all that life has to offer during the Direct Entry program as determined by their peers.

Pauline Wheble Tripp Award

Pauline Wheble Tripp was a 1939 graduate of Simmons had a long and productive career in Nursing.

After her graduation from Simmons, she was affiliated with the Salem Hospital School of Nursing and was a school Nurse for the City of Boston for fifteen years. In the 1960's she returned to Simmons and was a valued and respected member of the faculty. She valued her education at Simmons and was active in Simmons College Alumni affairs. Upon her death her family chose to honor her by the initiation of this award.

Criteria

The award for the one undergraduate and one graduate student in Nursing recognizes excellence of achievement and potential for outstanding professional development. The recipients of the award are selected by the Nursing faculty.