Denise Whitaker

Nursing Instructor

Columbus, OH (614) 555-0128 denise.whitaker@email.com linkedin.com/in/denisewhitaker

SUMMARY

Nursing instructor and registered nurse with 4 years of teaching in a BSN program and 7 years of direct patient care in medical-surgical nursing. Leads clinical groups and simulation days, teaches clinical judgment and critical thinking through case studies, and helped the 2025 cohort reach a 94% NCLEX-RN pass rate.

EDUCATION

Master of Science in Nursing 05/2022
The Ohio State University Columbus, OH
Nursing Education

EXPERIENCE

Nursing Instructor 08/2022 - Present
Scioto Valley College of Nursing Columbus, OH
BSN program with 450 pre-licensure students and 3 hospital clinical partners.

- Lead clinical instruction for groups of **8** students on adult medical-surgical units, 2 days a week.
- Run 6 high-fidelity simulation scenarios a semester on sepsis, falls and medication errors.
- Teach Adult Health I lectures to 60 students using PowerPoint, case studies and NCLEX-style questions.
- Evaluate care plans and clinical paperwork weekly, documenting student progress and remediation plans.

Registered Nurse 06/2015 - 07/2022
Franklin Park Medical Center Columbus, OH
520-bed teaching hospital; staff nurse on a 32-bed medical-surgical unit.

- Provided direct patient care for 5 to 6 adults a shift, including post-surgical and diabetic patients.
- Coordinated 9 nurses as charge nurse 2 shifts a week, managing admissions and bed flow.
- Precepted 14 new graduate nurses through a 12-week orientation, all completing their first year.
- Charted assessments and medications in Epic, keeping unit documentation audits above 96%.

SKILLS

Clinical Instruction • **Clinical Judgment** • **Simulation** • **Medical-Surgical Nursing**
Direct Patient Care • **NCLEX-RN** • **Epic** • **PowerPoint** • **Critical Thinking** • **Communication Skills**

CERTIFICATES

Registered Nurse (RN) License
Ohio Board of Nursing
06/2015

Certified Nurse Educator (CNE)
National League for Nursing
04/2025

Basic Life Support (BLS)
American Heart Association
01/2026