



## WHY ATTEND AULTMAN COLLEGE?

Here's what a few of our alumni and current students have to say:

**Kimberly Daniels, of New Philadelphia**



"I have learned more in one semester at Aultman College than I have in any other educational setting. I am grateful to have a school of such caliber within driving distance. I would highly recommend it to anyone who is looking to pursue the dream of becoming an RN."

**Aaron Harding, RN, of Rochester, N.Y., Class of '07**  
*Strong Memorial Hospital, Emergency Department*



"Aultman College provided excellent experiences that have enabled me to excel in my current position. My time spent on Student Senate helped me develop leadership skills, which I am

now using while pursuing a master's degree in Health Care Organization Leadership and Management. The work ethic and values instilled by Aultman College push me to continually improve as a nurse and as an individual."

**Tracy A. Hill, of Akron**



"Hands-on experiences during clinicals have definitely been the favorite part of my education. It's exciting to learn theories in class then actually have the opportunity to apply them in a hospital setting. I have wanted to be a nurse since childhood. Now

that I'm finally doing something I love, I feel blessed to have made it this far."

**Kayla Mast, RN, of Canton, Class of '10**



*Aultman Hospital, Memorial 4 East*  
"I have been able to care for my patients in every capacity: body, mind and spirit. I don't think I would have been prepared for this if not for the excellent education at Aultman College. They taught

me to not be afraid to embrace the individuals I care for every day. I look forward to going to work. Laughing and crying with my patients is not uncommon, and I treasure every moment that I get to share in their deepest joy and sorrow."

**Corey Meeks, of Newcomerstown**



*Student Senate president*  
"A smaller college gives you the advantage of a lot of individual attention and the ability to work closely with your classmates. Through organizations like Student Senate, we have an influence on the activities and services available to students."

**Nicole R. Quinn, RN, of Sebring, Class of '08**



*Aultman AcuteCare Specialty Hospital*  
"Aultman College provided me hands-on experiences from the very beginning of my education so I could be sure that nursing was the right career choice for me.

Throughout my education, I was exposed to many different clinical experiences that later helped me decide where I wanted to practice as a nurse. The ability to begin working as an RN while continuing my education is also very valuable to me."

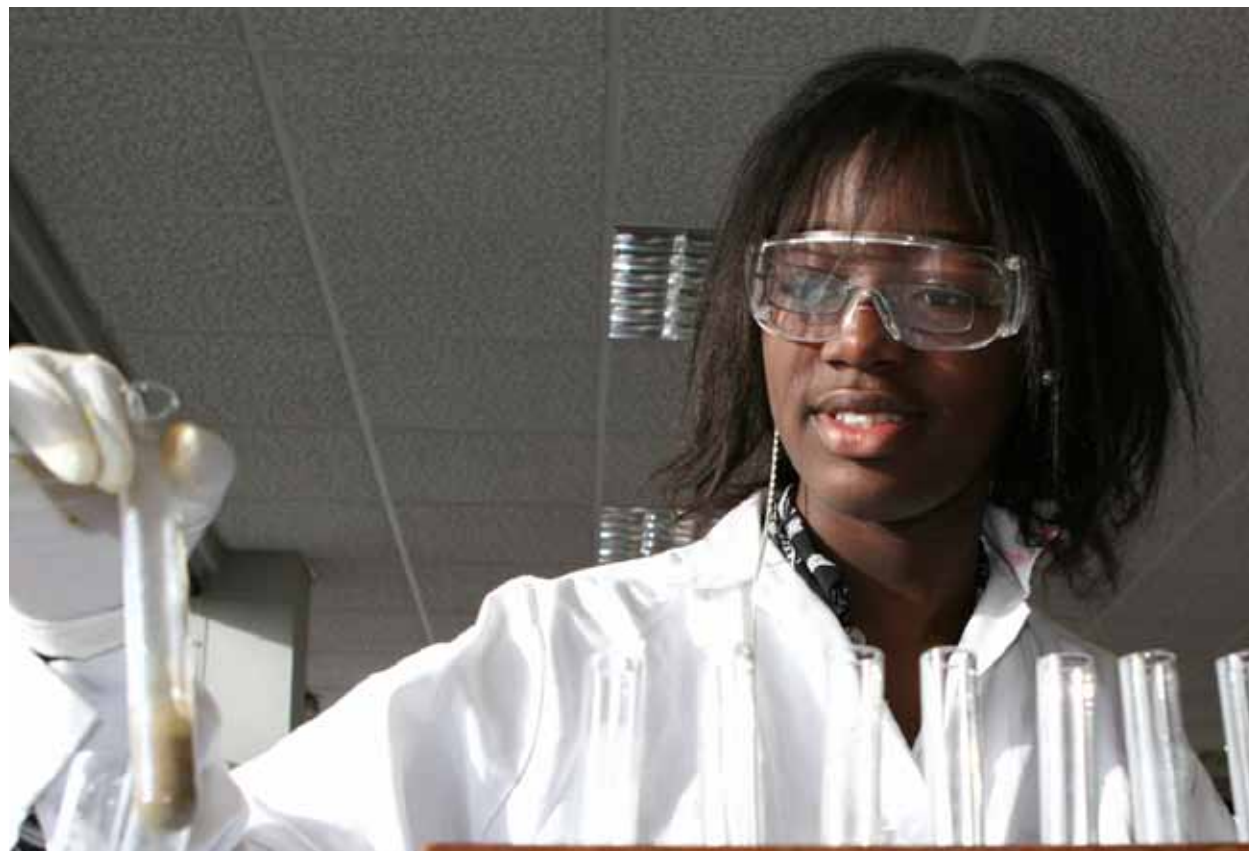
**Carol Willcock, of Munroe Falls**



"Nursing will be my second career. I chose Aultman College because of the personal attention. The instructors know who I am and are invested in my success. My favorite part is the diversity of the student body. I feel very comfortable

because students are of all ages and backgrounds."

# GEARING UP FOR GROWTH



Health sciences students take courses in chemistry and microbiology, as well as anatomy and physiology. All natural science courses include a laboratory component so students can learn through hands-on experimentation.

Science laboratories are homes to some of the most exciting work being done in the world of health care.

From the development of revolutionary cancer drugs to gaining a deeper understanding of human brain tissue activity, science labs are the incubators of the medical miracles of tomorrow.

But, in addition to providing a springboard for discovery, science labs are homes to the miracle of learning. For a health sciences student, there is simply no better way to understand how pharmaceuticals work or muscles function than to experiment with them firsthand in a science lab. When that learning takes place in a health-system affiliated college that has medical experts and state-of-the-art facilities easily available for enhanced instruction, the result is a graduate who is well-prepared to enter the world of health care.



That is the driving force behind the Aultman College of Nursing and Health Sciences Door to Discovery Campaign. When Aultman College was first founded in 2004, students took general education coursework at Walsh University as part of a collaborative agreement between the two schools. General education instruction began on the Aultman College campus in 2009 as the college continued to grow. Today, the only remaining courses to be transitioned are natural science courses, which require on-site science labs. Construction began and funds for completion of these labs continue to be raised through the Door to Discovery Campaign.

Aultman College offers community members a way to make a contribution to future generations of area health care professionals by donating to the Door to Discovery Campaign. Multiple naming opportunities offer a way to make a lasting gift that will be recognized for decades to come.

For more information on making a gift to Aultman College, call 330-363-6183.

## NAMING OPPORTUNITIES

**Aultman College Science Center (1):**  
\$500,000

**Chemistry Lab (1):**  
\$150,000

**Skills Lab (1):**  
\$150,000  
(1 Committed)

**Simulation Lab (1):**  
\$150,000

**Library (1):**  
\$100,000

**Student Center/Lounge (1):**  
\$75,000

**Computer Lab (1):**  
\$ 50,000

**Classroom (10):**  
\$25,000  
(1 Committed)

**Safety Hoods (3):**  
\$10,000

**Lab Benches (12):**  
\$5,000

Other opportunities available at donor's request. Call 330-363-6183 for more information.

## SIX SMART TIPS TO PREPARE FOR A CAREER IN HEALTH SCIENCES



If you're interested in working in health care, consider these facts:

- Ten of the 20 fastest-growing occupations are health care related.
- Health care will generate 3.2 million new jobs between 2008 and 2018, more than any other industry, according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

Whether you are in high school or considering a career change, it's never too soon to start planning. Here are steps you can take right now to prepare yourself for a future in health care:

### 1. Focus on academic success.

If you're in school, you'll need a high school grade point average (GPA) of 3.0, an ACT score of 20 or greater, or a college GPA of 2.5 or higher to be admitted to Aultman College. Degree programs have more selective admission criteria. The better you do in classes, particularly math and sciences, the more prepared you will be for your health sciences education.

### 2. Tap into community resources to brush up your skills.

If you've been out of school for a while, look for free community or online resources that can help enhance your college readiness. For example, the Massillon City Schools Adult Basic and Literacy Education (ABLE) program offers a free "transitional science" course to help prepare adults for college science courses. For more information about ABLE, call 330-830-3936.

### 3. Get involved.

Consider volunteering in a health care setting, such as a hospital or nursing home, to see if you like the environment. You can learn more about Aultman Hospital volunteer opportunities by visiting [aultman.org/volunteer](http://aultman.org/volunteer). If you're in high school, participating in volunteer activities can help strengthen your college applications. Obtain documentation from the activity coordinator or advisor to verify your participation.

### 4. Participate in job observation opportunities.

For an even more in-depth experience, take advantage of health care job observation programs. Aultman Hospital offers experiential learning opportunities for people interested in exploring health career options. Visit [aultman.org/observation](http://aultman.org/observation) for details.

### 5. Be a leader.

There are many ways to gain leadership skills: chair a committee, organize an event, raise money or serve as an officer in a school club. Leadership skills are important in college and to future employers.

### 6. Start a college folder.

Keep track of important papers you'll need for college applications, including awards, recognition, compliments, documentation of volunteer activities and more.

OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES  
**AULTMAN College**



EDUCATION FROM  
A NAME YOU TRUST



## AULTMAN COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES

### It All Starts With A General Education Foundation

Considering a career in health care but not sure if it's right for you? Still deciding what health care career might be the best fit? Consider investigating your health career options while taking general education coursework at Aultman College.

General education courses, such as math, natural sciences, English, psychology or sociology, provide a college student with an educational foundation and universal skills that can be applied to any field of study. Students interested in a health care career will find a distinct advantage in taking general education coursework in a health care-affiliated setting. Learning in a health care environment alongside students already pursuing a health sciences degree can help you decide what career choice is right for you. You can also take advantage of volunteer or job observation opportunities at Aultman Hospital.

Why are general education courses such an important component of a health sciences education? "Courses in liberal arts, humanities and natural sciences are essential for a health science degree and provide the foundation for lifelong learning," said Jean Paddock, Ph.D., assistant director of General Education. "Exposure to these subjects helps students learn to access and interpret information, think critically, behave ethically and communicate effectively. These skills are important to employers and provide a solid base of knowledge for students who plan to further their education."

For more information about taking general education coursework at Aultman College, call 330-363-5075.



[www.aultmancollege.edu](http://www.aultmancollege.edu)

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## AULTMAN COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES: IT'S NOT A SCHOOL OF NURSING ANYMORE



Forty students were awarded an associate of science degree in nursing at Aultman College's May 2011 commencement ceremony. Aultman College held its first graduation in 2007 and now boasts more than 400 graduates who work both locally and around the country. The College also offers an associate of science degree in radiography and is planning for additional programs to meet the future workforce demands of the health care industry.

### Call it the Aultman School of Nursing, and you just might get a polite correction from Rebecca Crowl.



Rebecca Crowl,  
RN, MSN

as President of Aultman College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Crowl has spent the past seven years educating the community that the former Aultman School of Nursing is now an accredited college with the same credentials as the other large, private colleges and universities in Stark County.

"As medicine has advanced, Aultman recognized that the health care professionals of the future will be required to have a broader education than what was provided in diploma or certificate programs," said Crowl. "These programs did a good job of teaching entry-level skills, but did not provide the general education foundation that goes along with a college degree. So we made a decision to take the steps necessary to become an accredited college."

That was in 2004. Today, Aultman College has about 300 students and two degree programs: an Associate of Science in Nursing program and an Associate of Science in Radiography program, which begins in Fall 2011. Degree-program students take math, English, humanities and natural sciences courses, along with their program coursework. In addition, the college has seen a jump in the number of students

who are enrolling as non-degree seeking students or undeclared majors. Under these classifications, students enroll in general education coursework while exploring their career options or building their grade-point averages (GPAs) to meet degree program enrollment criteria.

The college held its first commencement ceremony in 2007 and now boasts more than 400 graduates who work both locally and around the country. "I think one of the common misconceptions about our graduates is that they only get hired at Aultman," said Crowl. "That's not the case. We have alumni who are working across the United States in a variety of clinical settings."

transition when they begin their clinical training."

Training in Aultman facilities is an important part of a student's clinical rotations in both programs, but clinical experiences are also held at off-site locations. "Aultman has been named one of the nation's 100 Top Hospitals by Thomson Reuters and has Magnet® designation in nursing care," said Smith. "Learning alongside professionals with these quality credentials and being trained with advanced health care technology benefits our students. But we are also adding outside clinical locations to broaden their exposure to a variety of health care environments."

The college is planning for growth to help counteract the shortage of health care

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— MELISSA SMITH, PH.D., DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF NURSING

But, the college's affiliation with Aultman does give students a unique advantage over other college programs. "From a nursing perspective, I believe our students benefit tremendously from being immersed in the health care environment from day one of their educational experience," said Melissa Smith, Ph.D., director of the Division of Nursing. "They eat with other health care professionals in the hospital cafeteria and are exposed to the normal sights and sounds of a hospital setting. I think it helps them make a smoother

professionals predicted for Ohio's future. Programs in development include a Registered Nurse (RN) to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) completion program, an Emergency Medical Services (EMS) program and a possible health information technology degree program. "We believe that our narrow focus, combined with our Aultman affiliation, positions us to meet the changing workforce needs of the health care industry and to be an important source of well-qualified graduates for years to come," said Crowl.

### A hands-on education in a high-tech environment

For a health sciences professional, there is no substitute for hands-on training. At Aultman College of Nursing and Health Sciences, students begin learning patient care skills in the first semester.

#### Other Benefits:

- Small classes, personalized attention  
With small class sizes and a low instructor-to-student ratio, faculty members know students by name and are easily accessible. In addition, the Learning Resource Center offers tutoring and support services to help students achieve personal and academic success.
- On-campus activities  
Aultman College features an active student life program that includes activities, campus organizations and community service projects. A full-time student life coordinator provides ample opportunities for students to connect as they work to achieve their goals.
- Traditional and nontraditional student mix  
Students range in age from 18-66 and come from a variety of backgrounds. Regardless of how they arrived here, Aultman College students are all united by a desire to be exceptional health care professionals.

### Program Facts

#### Associate of Science in Nursing

- Admits approximately 60 new students two times a year (Fall and Spring).
- Program completion: five semesters for a full-time student.
- Basic admission criteria (one of the following):
  - \* 3.0 high school grade point average (GPA) and ACT score of 20
  - \* 2.5 college GPA with six credit hours or more of coursework.
- Selective admission is based on ranking process.

#### Associate of Science in Radiography

- Admits approximately 20 new students once a year (Fall).
- Program completion: five semesters for full-time student.
- Basic admission criteria (one of the following):
  - \* 3.0 high school GPA and ACT score of 20
  - \* 2.5 college GPA with six credit hours or more of coursework.
- Selective admission is based on ranking process.

#### Other Admission Options:

**Non-degree seeking students**  
Students who wish to take general education courses for enrichment or exploration but are not seeking entrance into a degree program or currently do not meet program admission requirements. (Non-degree seeking students are not eligible for federal or state financial aid.)

#### Undeclared students

Students who are still exploring their major options may be classified as undeclared majors. To be admitted as an undeclared major, a student must be accepted to the college and meet all program admission requirements.

Students enrolled as undeclared majors must apply to a degree-granting program upon completion of 24 credit hours of general education coursework. A student wishing to apply as an undeclared major must notify the Office of Admissions.

See [aultmancollege.edu](http://aultmancollege.edu) for details.

#### Application Deadline

Fall 2012 Admission: Jan. 15, 2012

#### Information Session

Aug. 2, 2011, 6:30 p.m.

Tour the college and learn more!

### ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBERS LIVE AND WORK ACROSS THE UNITED STATES AND BEYOND



#### Welcoming Aultman School of Radiology Graduates

Graduates of Aultman College and the Aultman Hospital School of Nursing make up the nearly 3,500 members of the Aultman College Alumni Association. In August, the organization will host a celebration event to welcome alumni of the Aultman School of Radiologic Technology as radiography education becomes part of Aultman College. All past graduates, past and present instructors, and directors are invited to attend. Former students can submit their contact information at [aultmancollege.edu/alumni](http://aultmancollege.edu/alumni).

