

The Ohio State University Medical Center

has one of the largest and most complete healthcare systems in Ohio. As an academic medical center our mission is focused on patient care, teaching and research. The healthcare enterprise includes University Hospital, Ross Heart Hospital, The Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Richard J. Solove Research Institute, University Hospital East, OSU Harding Hospital and OSU Primary Care Network.

University Hospital is a tertiary care hospital and Level I trauma center with state-of-the-art technology that enhances quality patient care. The high tech atmosphere however, does not take away from the high standards of caring, respect, excellence, service and teamwork provided to patients each year.

The Richard M. Ross Heart Hospital supports every level of cardiovascular care, from the latest catheterization techniques to central Ohio's only adult heart transplantation program, using the most advanced technology available. Patients are cared for using a Universal Bed Model where rooms are designed to accommodate patients with varying degrees of illness and

eliminate the need for separate medical units, such as intensive care and post-surgery recovery rooms.

The Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Richard J. Solove Research Institute is one of 38 National Cancer Institute - designated Comprehensive Cancer Centers in the United States and the only free-standing cancer hospital in the Midwest. The James is committed to providing high-quality patient care, research and educational programs solely devoted to cancer prevention, detection and treatment.

University Hospital East is a community-based hospital located on the east side of Columbus providing a full spectrum of general, specialty and acute care programs. Employees have all the advantages of working at one of the nation's premier medical centers, but in a smaller community environment.

OSU Harding Hospital is the leading comprehensive provider of behavioral healthcare services in central Ohio providing hope and healing to central Ohioans affected by mental illnesses, emotional problems or addictions.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Your complete application, school transcripts and letters of recommendation must be received by early spring - March 17, 2009. You will be notified of acceptance by May 8, 2009. Apply early as there are a limited number of spaces available.

For more information or to apply:

- ▶ E-mail: careers@osumc.edu
- ▶ Find us on the web at http://edr.medctr.ohio-state.edu/Student_Nurse_Extern_Program/Student_Nurse_Externs.htm



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The Ohio State University
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Student Nurse Extern Program

*Personalizing
the Journey
from
Student to
Professional
Nurse*



Maximize your career experience by joining the Ohio State University Medical Center Student Nurse Extern Program!

Who qualifies?

Nursing students enrolled in an accredited program who have completed their junior year of a baccalaureate program or students in the second year of an associate degree program and will graduate in 2010.

What are the program requirements?

Students enrolled in an accredited Baccalaureate or Associate Degree Nursing program are invited to apply.

- ▶ You must be senior on track to graduate in 2010
- ▶ Have a GPA of 3.2 or greater
- ▶ Have current CPR certification
- ▶ Evidence of coverage for nursing student liability insurance

What does the program include?

The Student Nurse Externship is a 10-week long summer program where qualified nursing students work one-on-one with experienced, highly-skilled nurses and provide hands on care in an atmosphere of learning and support.

What can participants expect?

- ▶ Externs are paired with an experienced RN preceptor for 40 hours per week on a clinical unit.
- ▶ Externs will earn Ohio State University course credit for successful completion of the program.
- ▶ Earn while you learn! Get paid for 40 hours of work each week at a competitive wage.
- ▶ Weekly schedules will be rotated to allow participation in classes, discussion and observational experiences.
- ▶ Participants will work 32 hours of guided clinical practice with a nurse preceptor, rotating shifts and weekends.

Please note all student nurse externs must register for a 3 credit clinical elective at The Ohio State University and complete the job application for the Student Nurse Extern at the OSU Medical Center Web site.



Why is this program unique?

The OSU Nursing Extern Program is centered on the unique needs of the student nurse and is based at one of the top ranked academic medical centers in the country. As an academic medical center we are accustomed to working with students and will help you apply the skills that you have learned in your nursing program. Externs will be placed at one of these hospitals:

- ▶ University Hospital
- ▶ Ross Heart Hospital
- ▶ Dodd Hall Rehabilitation
- ▶ The James Cancer Hospital
- ▶ Harding Hospital
- ▶ University Hospital East

In addition, the program offers the opportunity for student nurses to earn while they learn. Student nurse externs may choose from a variety of practice settings. Every effort will be made to match the student nurse to the area of their interest.

Highlighted below are practice areas the externship may include:

MEDICAL/SURGICAL

Patients with a wide array of diagnoses will expand your knowledge base. You will care for general surgical and medical patients as well as have an opportunity to practice in renal, gastroenterology, neurology, transplant, endocrine, trauma, burns, and orthopaedics.

CRITICAL CARE

The OSU Medical Center provides medical and surgical care units. You will gain experience with the latest technology and treatment.

WOMEN AND INFANT

This division offers the opportunity to practice in a Level III perinatal center. Labor and Delivery, Neonatal Intensive Care, Ante partum, Mother-Baby, and Gynecological Care units will provide a well-rounded approach to this population.

PSYCHIATRIC

You will be part of an interdisciplinary team to meet the needs of the psychiatric patient. There will be opportunities to participate in the care of child, adult and geriatric patients experiencing mental illness, emotional problems or addictions.

PERIOPERATIVE

You will learn the fundamentals of care for the patient undergoing surgical intervention. Your experience may include learning to scrub for an operation, circulating an OR suite and safely recovering the patient post anesthesia.

REHABILITATION

The rehabilitation nurse in Dodd Hall, one of the top ten rehabilitation hospitals in the country, treats patients with physical and/or cognitive disabilities resulting from trauma and patients with neurological and musculoskeletal disorders. An interdisciplinary approach gives you the opportunity to work with a team of therapists, psychologists and physicians.

ONCOLOGY

The comprehensive and specialized approach to caring for cancer patients will give you opportunities to explore the preventive, curative and supportive services offered within Bone Marrow Transplant, Medical Oncology and Surgical Oncology.

EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

OSU is one of 3 Level I trauma centers in Columbus. You will find a continually changing, diversified experience can be found in caring for the most life threatening and critical emergencies, as well as non-emergent injuries and illnesses.

CARDIOVASCULAR

Ohio State's Richard M. Ross Heart Hospital is dedicated to providing the latest diagnosis and treatment, including advanced cardiac imaging, minimally invasive robotic procedures, catheterization, pacemaker implantation, surgical bypass, mechanical heart pumps and transplants. You will learn to combine compassionate patient care with cutting-edge research to provide premier heart care.

