

## BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

# ODEGAARD SCHOLARSHIP FOR NURSING STUDENTS



## Financial Report

Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 2023- Jan 18<sup>th</sup> 2026  
9 Nursing Students

**Tuition** (tuition, fees, textbooks)  
Total: \$74,490.00

**Stipend** (living expenses)  
Total: \$246,086.00

**Other** - NCLEX study prep,  
Tutors, and Resume Writing  
Total: \$6,186.00

**TOTAL to date:** \$326,763.00

Clackamas Community College partnership with the Odegaard scholarship started in 2023 with the first cohort of Nursing students.

*Image: cohort 1 graduation 2025*



**Odegaard Scholarship Mission:** Improve the health and healthcare experiences of Oregonians by developing a professional nursing workforce that mirrors the ethnic composition of the individuals and communities being served.

## Odegaard Scholarship - Nursing Student Recipients

Cohort 1: 2023-2025



Viviana Zurita

Daniel Peraza Garzon

Tania Mendoza

Cohort 2: 2024-2026



Elza Hart

LaShonda Bradley

Candace Pugh

Cohort 3: 2025-2027



Maryana Lazurko

Kalsang Choedhan

Ellie Cao

Cohort 4: TBA

## Fund Raising Events and Support

Local and state leaders support efforts to diversify Nursing education and public health



## Nursing Team 2025 Full-time Faculty

**Kristen Richards, RN, MSN**

With over 16 years of experience in nursing, she has a solid background in trauma and intermediate care nursing, as well as a passion for nursing education and professional development as well as the care of traumatic brain injuries.

**Christina Burt, RN, BSN, MSN**

She spent the majority of her 16 year bedside nursing career in the birth center of a local hospital which included Labor and Delivery, Post-Birth and NICU. She loves everything about birth and enjoys teaching these topics

**Tami Vanderwerf, RN-CPN**

She earned her BSN while raising her 3 teenage children, and graduated Cum Laude from University of Portland in 2008. Tami's worked in the nursing specialty field of pediatric surgery, and is a certified Pediatric Nurse.

**Amy Drouin RN, MSN, CCRN**

She worked for 14 years in acute care bedside nursing, including 4 years medical-surgical nursing, 4 years critical care nursing, and 6 years in interventional radiology nursing, all at Providence Portland Medical Center.

**Christina Leese, RN, BS, MN**

A nurse for twenty years, she has practiced primarily in cardiac nursing with 8 years at the bedside in the intermediate care unit and 10 years as a heart transplant coordinator.

**Kim Kabat, RN, BSN, MSN in progress**

She worked as an inpatient psychiatric nurse and also became a certified SANe (sexual assault nurse examiner) in Oregon. In addition to bedside nursing she became an adjunct clinical instructor at Clark College in 2021 during student's mental health rotation.

## Advisory Board

Interested in participating in the Nursing Program Advisory Committee?  
Contact: [healthsciences@clackamas.edu](mailto:healthsciences@clackamas.edu)

## Accreditation information

The Nursing Associate of Applied Science program at Clackamas Community College is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN).  
<https://www.acenursing.org/>

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