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**Education**

DNP Samford University, 2009  
MSN Troy University, 2001  
BSN Auburn University, 1996  
ASN Troy University, 1986

**Publications or**  
**Presentations**

### Peer-Reviewed Publications

Outlaw, K., Rushing, D., Burns, D., Spurlock, A., Dunn, C., Bazzell, J., & Cleveland, K. (2014). Academic & Non-Academic Variables Impacting BSN Students Who are Unsuccessful on Initial NCLEX-RN. *GSTF International Journal of Nursing and Health Care*. 1(2)

Rushing, D. (2012). Am I going to die, Aunt Deborah? *Journal of Christian Nursing*, 29 (2). doi:10.1097/CNJ.0bo13e3182470b8e

Rushing, D. & McCoy, C. (2007). Got IDEAS? Share your work through Presentations. *The Alabama Nurse*, Volume 34, Number 4. (December 2007, January, February 2008 issue)

McCoy, C. & Rushing, D., *Study Guide for Kozier & Erb's Fundamentals of Nursing – Concepts, Process, and Practice*. (8th ed.). Published and used in this book for a web based application. View at link below:  
[http://wps.prenhall.com/wps/media/objects/3918/4012970/SG\\_Research\\_Paper.pdf](http://wps.prenhall.com/wps/media/objects/3918/4012970/SG_Research_Paper.pdf)

## Peer-Reviewed Presentations

Rushing, D., Bazzell, J., Outlaw, K., & Carter, H. (2017). The Treasure Map to Caring for Nursing Faculty to be presented as a podium presentation at 23rd International Caritas Consortium (ICC)- One Word: Connecting through Caring Consciousness at San Francisco, California on October 26-27, 2017.

Rushing, D. (2013). Academic Variables Impacting BSN Students Unsuccessful on Initial NCLEX-RN presented as podium presentation at 2013 NLN Education Summit for National League of Nursing, Washington, DC, September 18- 21, 2013.

Burns, D., Rushing, D., Dunn, C. (2013). Poster presentation, National ATI Summit, Las Vegas, NV, April 2013.

Rushing, D. (2013). Poster presentation and welcoming address for Iota Theta's Showcase in Nursing Research Excellence. Troy, AL, April 13, 2013.

Rushing, D. (2013). Developed and presented online CEU Education (2 CEUs) for ASN-BSN and BSN faculty on QSEN-Safety and Quality Curriculum Project. Delivery platform used- Blackboard.

Rushing, D. (2012). Bridging the Gap between Novice Faculty from Curriculum Processes to Clinical Outcome Evaluation Tools presented at Nuts & Bolts for Nurse Educators Conference, Minneapolis, MN, August 10-11, 2012.

Rushing, D. (2009). High-Fidelity Simulation-Take It Out of the Closet! Podium presentation accepted at Evidence-Based Approaches to Nursing Administration, Practice and Education Issues, Samford University Campus, Birmingham, Alabama in May 12, 2009.

McCoy, C. & Rushing, D. (2007). Faculty Mentoring: Living a Caring Philosophy. Poster presentation accepted as a poster presentation at the National League for Nursing's Educational Summit in Phoenix, Arizona in September 26-29, 2007.

Rushing, D. & McCoy, C. (2007). Love 'Em or Lose 'Em: Mentoring Early Career Faculty. Podium presentation accepted at the 39th Biennial Convention, Baltimore, Maryland in November 2007.

McCoy, C. & Rushing, D. (2006). Perceptions and Practice of Spiritual Care in Student Nurses. Poster presentation at the 20th

**Grants and Projects**

Annual Southern Nursing Research Society Conference, Memphis, TN.

McCoy, C. & Rushing, D. (2005). Promoting the Transition to the Nurse Educator Role through a Caring Framework. Presented as an oral presentation at the Sigma Theta Tau International 38th Biennial Convention, Indianapolis, IN.

Rushing, D. (2005). Perceptions and Practice of Spiritual Care in Nursing Students. Presented as an oral presentation at Elizabeth Morris Clinical Educations Day, sponsored by the Alabama State Nurses' Association, Montgomery, AL.

Avery, G., Pate, J, & Rushing, D. (2004). Teaching Nursing of the Elderly in Different Curriculums. Presented as an oral presentation at the Joint Faculty Meeting for Troy University School of Nursing. Troy, Alabama.

Rushing, D. (2017, Fall). The Treasure Map to Caring for Nursing Faculty. Faculty Development Grant, \$750.00 (funded).

Troy University, Paper Presentation Grant. (Funded \$750.00)

Troy, University. Instructional Improvement Grant. Southern Gerontological Nursing Certificated Program. (Funded \$3000.00)

**Honors, Awards, Boards, Certifications, and Professional Organizations**

Registered Nurse (Alabama)  
Sigma Theta Tau International (Iota Theta President-elect Board Member)  
Phi Kappa Phi (Chapter member)  
National League of Nursing (NLN)  
American Nurses Association (ANA)  
Troy University Alumni Association

**Research Interest**

- Technology
- Education and Learning
- Medical Surgical Nursing
- Geriatrics

**Clinical Focus**

Adult Health Nursing  
Nursing Education