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## Bindon Receives AACN Teaching Award

**Susan L. Bindon, DNP '11, RN-BC, CNE**, assistant professor, has been awarded the American Association of Colleges of Nursing's (AACN) Excellence and Innovation in Teaching Award. The award recognizes excellence and innovation in the teaching of nursing at AACN member schools by faculty with more than five years of teaching experience. [Read more.](#)



## CPH Celebrates 50th Anniversary at Alumni Event

UMSON celebrated the 50th anniversary of its Community/Public Health master's specialty with a lecture by **Patricia Butterfield, PhD, RN, FAAN**, professor and dean emerita, Washington



State University College of Nursing, on Friday, Sept. 16, and a celebration on Saturday, Sept. 17, that included alumni, students, and current and former faculty. The Saturday program included remarks from **Pat McLaine, DrPH, MPH, RN**, assistant professor and director, Community/Public Health Nursing specialty, and **Dean Jane M. Kirschling, PhD, RN, FAAN**, a presentation by **Carolyn Nganga-Good, MS '07, RN, CPH**, and a leadership panel with six alumnae participants. Watch the [Friday](#) lecture and the [Saturday](#) panel, then check out our Flickr [album](#).

## Colloca Awarded



## Patrick D. Wall Young Investigator Award

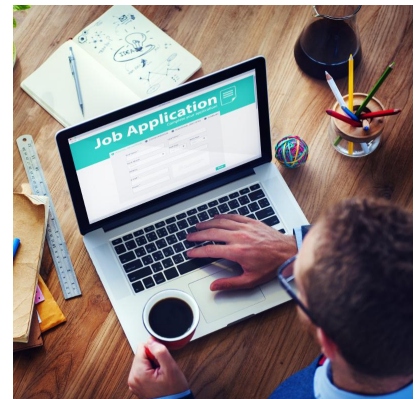
**Luana Colloca, MD, PhD**, associate professor, was awarded the Patrick D. Wall Young Investigator Award at the International Association for the Study of Pain's 16th World Congress on Pain last month. The award was initiated in 1987 and honors individuals at the beginning of their careers who have achieved a level of independence as scholars in the field of pain.



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## School Seeking Adjunct Professors and Preceptors

UMSON is seeking adjunct faculty members and preceptors. The School hires adjunct faculty members to provide clinical instruction to entry-level students in the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program and the Clinical Nurse Leader master's option. UMSON is also seeking skilled, experienced preceptors to work with students as they complete their clinical requirements. [Learn more.](#)



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## UMSON and LCC Awarded Incentive Funding Request

UMSON and the Laurel College Center (LCC) were awarded a \$203,046 University System of Maryland Non-USM Regional Higher Education Centers Incentive Funding Request to support the expansion of educational opportunities for the RN-to-BSN students at LCC during fiscal years 2016-18. This grant will fund expansion and implementation of an enhanced practicum learning experience at LCC using low- and moderate-fidelity simulation for RN-to-BSN students enrolled in a nursing essentials course. [Read more.](#)

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## Welcome New Faculty and Staff

**Marisa DiCarlo** joined the School of Nursing as an admissions counselor on Sept. 19. DiCarlo comes from Walden University, where she served as an undergraduate enrollment advisor. She earned a bachelor's degree in Spanish from Frostburg State University and is currently pursuing a master's degree in higher education from Walden University.

**Jessica Swearinger** will join UMSON at the Universities at Shady Grove as an administrative assistant, effective Oct. 31. Swearinger comes from MedStar Montgomery Medical Center, where she also served as an administrative assistant. She earned her bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, and is currently pursuing a master's degree in school counseling from Capella University.

**Julia Ugorji** will join the School of Nursing as a clinical instructor, effective Nov. 1. Ugorji comes from the Walter Reed National Military

Medical Center, where she recently served as a psychiatric clinical nurse specialist. She earned a DNP from Walden University and an MSN from Grand Canyon University.

## EVENTS

### Third Annual Interprofessional Forum on Ethics and Religion in Health Care

Tuesday, Nov. 1

8:30 a.m.-3:15 p.m.

SMC Campus Center

*Challenges in Organ Donation and Transplantation:* This interprofessional, interfaith forum is designed to facilitate interprofessional learning, inform interprofessional practice, and engage the community. The forum will explore organ donation and transplantation through the lens of ethics, religion, and spirituality. All health care professionals and community members are welcome. [Learn more](#).

## ALUMNI NEWS & UPDATES

### Donations being Accepted for Claudia Smith CPH Scholarship

In ongoing celebration of the 50th Anniversary of UMSON's Community/Public Health master's specialty, we are growing the Claudia Smith Community/Public Health Scholarship that was initiated when Smith retired in 2011 after a distinguished 40-plus-year career in community/public health at UMSON.

[Donate now](#).



### Geiger-Brown Interviewed by Stevenson Villager

Jeanne Geiger-Brown, PhD '01, RN, FAAN, was appointed as the founding dean of Stevenson University's new Sandra R. Berman School of Nursing and Health Professions last spring. In a recent article in the Stevenson Villager, the university's student-run newspaper, she discussed her goals, particularly in the area of academic support for students. [Read more](#).



### UMSON Spirit Merchandise Available Online

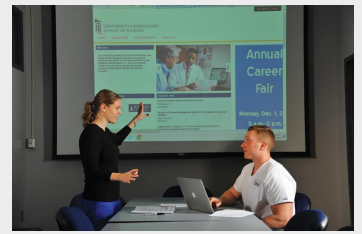
[UMSON spirit merchandise is available online](#). Some items available for purchase include note cards with historical UMSON images, a plush crab in UMSON's school colors, and a spacious tote bag. The UMSON license plate frame will show your pride no matter where you travel in your car! For more information, [email](#) Lorrie Voytek, or call 410-706-7640.



## Career Resources for Alumni

UMSON students and alumni can access professional career services through the Student Success Center. Services include a job board, resume and cover letter writing workshops, interviewing skills workshops, mock interviews, and online resources. There will also be a career fair to help job-seekers. It will be held at the School of Nursing on Monday, Nov. 7, from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

[Learn more.](#)



## Docents Needed for Living History Museum

The UMSON Living History Museum is seeking alumni volunteers to serve as docents. The museum is open 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday during the academic semesters. Docents are also needed for occasional special events, such as school tours and open houses for new and prospective students. Scheduling is flexible. If you would like to volunteer, contact Cynthia Sikorski at [alumni@son.umaryland.edu](mailto:alumni@son.umaryland.edu) or 410-706-0674. [Learn more about the museum.](#)



## KUDOS

**Dzifa Dordunoo, PhD '14, RN**, assistant professor; **Louise S. Jenkins, PhD '85, MS '81, RN, FAHA, ANEF**, professor and director of the Institute for Educators; **Mei Ching Lee, PhD, MS, RN**, assistant professor; **Emilie Ludeman, MSLIS**, research, education, and outreach librarian; **Veronica Njie-Carr, PhD, RN, ACNS-BC, FWACN**, assistant professor; and **Nina Trocky, DNP, RN, NE-BC, CNE**, assistant professor and associate dean for the Baccalaureate Program, co-authored a publication: Njie-Carr, V., Ludeman, E., Lee, M.C., Dordunoo, D., Trocky, N., and Jenkins, L.S. (2016). An integrative review of flipped classroom teaching models in nursing education. *Journal of Professional Nursing*. [Read more.](#)

**Debra A. Scrandis, PhD, CRNP, BC**, associate professor, was named to the *Nurse Practitioner Journal's* editorial board for 2016-18.

## IN THE NEWS

### UMB Partners, Volunteers Help Build Playground

**Marik Moen, MPH, MSN, RN**, was mentioned in the article, "UMB Partners, Volunteers Help Build Playground," in [UMB News](#). Sept. 24.

### Study Shows Upswing in Prescription Opioid Use Disorder and Heroin Use Among Young Adults

**Carla Storr, ScD, MPH**, was mentioned in the article, "Study shows upswing in prescription opioid use disorder and heroin use among young adults," in [Medical Xpress](#) and [Newswise](#). Sept. 29.

### UMB Expands Community Interprofessional Clinics

**Jane M. Kirschling, PhD, RN, FAAN**, and **Gina Rowe, PhD, DNP, MHP, FNP-BC**, were mentioned in the article, "UMB Expands Community Interprofessional Clinics," in [UMB News](#). Oct. 3.

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