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School of Nursing sees 19.5 percent increase

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KOKOMO, Ind. – The School of Nursing at Indiana University Kokomo continues significant growth this fall semester with a 19.5 percent increase in student enrollment. Preliminary numbers show 630 students have registered, as compared to 527 students this time last year.

Susan Hendricks, assistant dean for the School of Nursing, attributes the significant rise in numbers to the commitment of faculty and staff, and also to partnerships established with area health care providers.

"In the past few years, we have been hard at work building an outstanding School of Nursing: exceptional facilities, excellent award-winning faculty, and dedicated professional staff," Hendricks said. "With the anticipated opening of the St. Joseph Clinical Simulation Center in January, we are looking forward to providing state-of-the art instruction to our students. We have continued to develop strong partnerships with health care facilities across our service region, both in providing innovative clinical instruction and partnering to meet the needs of registered nurses who wish to complete their baccalaureate degree."



The flexibility of the nursing program brings several distinct groups of R.N. to B.S.N. students – those who will complete their degree on campus, at a satellite classroom at Tipton Hospital, and also through a new online program offered university-wide.

Chancellor Michael Harris applauds the nursing school for its dedication and commitment to growth and, to academic excellence and student success.

"I am very pleased with the success and achievements of our School of Nursing," Harris said. "Nursing students at IU Kokomo graduate with only the highest quality education, as provided by outstanding faculty and staff. They are well prepared to provide top-notch health care to the citizens of north central Indiana and beyond."

The IU Kokomo School of Nursing is the third largest public Bachelor of Science in Nursing program in the state. Nearly 3,400 nursing degrees have been conferred since 1970, with 80 percent of those graduates still residing in central Indiana.

Indiana University Kokomo serves north central Indiana.

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