

CANDIDATES

REGIONAL COORDINATOR

NORTH AMERICA REGION 3 (ELECT ONE FOR YOUR REGION)



Christine Hober PhD, MSN, RN-BC, CNE



My name is Christine Hober, and I am a candidate for the international ballot position of North America Region 3 Coordinator.

I adhere to Sigma's mission that global nurse leaders must be empowered to improve

healthcare everywhere. I would like to work collectively with Sigma colleagues to help develop exciting and rewarding careers for nurse leaders, practitioners, and advocates for quality healthcare services internationally. I intend to work diligently towards increasing the visibility and credibility of Sigma through assisting with regional programs, events, and projects that will expand Sigma connections locally, regionally, and internationally.

Professional qualifications and background: Currently I live in WaKeeney, Kansas. I have been a Registered Nurse since 1996. I completed my Masters of Science in Nursing at Chico State University in Chico, California, in 2002, followed by my PhD in Nursing from the University of Kansas, School of Nursing in 2012. I have been employed since 2004 at Fort Hays State University (FHSU) in Hays, Kansas, and I am currently a tenured Professor of Nursing for the Department of Nursing FHSU. I have served for six years as the Graduate Nurse Educator (NE) Program Coordinator & student advisor, in addition to teaching undergraduate and graduate courses. I work to meet Boyer's model of scholarship. A recent co-published peer reviewed manuscript with a Sigma colleague is: Meaningful Learning Actualized through a Perinatal Continuity of Care Experience, published in the Nursing Forum, DOI: 10.1111/nuf.12526.

University and Department of Nursing Leadership experience: Recent essential FHSU university service that has helped build my leadership skills

includes: the Scholarship Environmental Committee; the Council of Institutional Effectiveness for Accreditation; the University Institutional Review Board (IRB); the Department of Nursing Accreditation Committee member for the Master of Science and Bachelor of Nursing programs; and participation on the High-Fidelity Simulation Task Force consortium. Current fundamental community leadership opportunities of interest include: serving as an appointed board member and later elected Treasurer at Trego-Lemke Hospital in WaKeeney, Kansas; an appointed program advisory member at North Central Kansas Technical College in Hays, Kansas; and also serving on the Hays Medical Center IRB board.

Professional Leadership: Four key areas are integral in helping me to development leadership skills in program implementation with regional professionals. The first professional leadership development involved my service as a Northwest faculty co-leader in the KS Nurse Leader Residency (KNLR) program, an online statewide certification program for Registered Nurses who needed to foster their leadership knowledge and skills. Secondly, my service for the Kansas Action Coalition from 2012 to 2019, serving as the subcommittee co-chair for the education assembly from 2011 - 2016. The third integral experience was my professional service on the Kansas State Board of Nursing education committee from September 2013 to 2017 in Topeka, Kansas. And equally important, my continuous service to our local chapter of Sigma, Nu Zeta #316, in the active roles since 2004 of Governance Chair, Leadership Chair, Publicity Chair, Faculty Counselor, and past Chapter President, in addition to my most recent nomination to serve a second term as Chapter President.