

CANDIDATES

LEADERSHIP SUCCESSION COMMITTEE (ELECT THREE FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM)



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As a nurse for over 30 years, my choices around engaging in service reflect my beliefs and values on power, privilege, and relationship. Being in community, through the act of service, helps us to transition from an egocentric perspective to embracing an ideology that

everyone's voice and contribution provide a balanced and just world. I have been intentional with how I have chosen to utilize my strengths and sought out learning opportunities for self-improvement to become a just planetary citizen.

I was inducted into Sigma's Alpha Mu Chapter at Case Western Reserve University (Cleveland, Ohio) in 2007. I initiated an honour society and was instrumental in the process of chartering Chi Nu in 2015 (Chapter 515 - MacEwan University; Edmonton, Alberta, Canada). I was the founding President 2010-2016, Past President 2016-2018, and finally Director of Research and Scholarships 2018-2020 for Chi Nu. I have also been involved in Sigma/Chamberlain University Center for Excellence in Nursing Education (CENE) Advisory Board since 2018. Serving on this committee offers the opportunity to influence the creation, delivery, and evaluation of key educational programming for Sigma members.

I have been an active member of the International Association for Human Caring since 2005, currently holding the office of the Recording Secretary/Treasurer. I am the Vice-President of the Canadian Caring Consortium whose mission is to foster the health and well-being of Canadians. I have been involved in fund-raising for two non-profit organizations, and currently am a Board Director for a domestic violence shelter.

All of these positions are in organizations that include both operational and governance

expectations. I have been involved in a variety of projects and committee work, which I strongly believe have made a difference for these organizations and those they serve. My involvement has increased my awareness of the need for health care reform from a local to a global level. As a result of these positions, my abilities to mitigate and navigate change and chaos have been reinforced.

My leadership acumen and committee involvement reflect the integration of cultural humility, ethical judgment, flexibility, accountability, and responsibility to ensure my actions have congruence with the mission, values, and strategic plan of Sigma. As a member of this global organization, I am cognizant of the importance of challenging ideas of privilege. This action influences those who have power and voice, to engage in liberation, to address structural inequities for all members in which to advance the profession of nursing.

I'm asking you to endorse me as a candidate for the Succession Committee. I would be honoured to be your voice for Sigma.