

Shalini Shrikanth, PhD, RN, CNE

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

2022	Capella University	PhD (Nursing Education)
2016	Chamberlain University	MSN (Education)
2012	Chamberlain University	BSN
2007	Harper College	ADN

CERTIFICATIONS

National League of Nursing: Certified Nurse educator (CNE)

Expiration: Dec 2026

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Loyola University Chicago: ABSN Program

2022 - Present	Clinical Assistant Professor
2020 –2022	Instructor

Chamberlain University, Chicago, IL

2016 – 2019	Visiting Professor, RN-BSN Online
Courses:	Community Health Nursing
	Transcultural Nursing
2013 – 2017	Professional Nurse Tutor
	Medication calculations
	NCLEX prep and coaching
	Conducted workshops and one-on-one tutoring

College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn, IL

2018 – 2019	Simulation Specialist
	Set-up, run and turnover simulations
	Review simulations to ensure clinical accuracy
	Demonstrate and review lab skills

Northbrook College of Healthcare, Northbrook, IL

2017 - 2018	Director of Nursing
	Oversight of the LPN program
	Teaching: Medical Surgical Nursing, Mental Health Nursing,
	Maternity Nursing, Pharmacology, Fundamentals of Nursing.

Clinical Positions

2007 – 2016	Staff Nurse, Advanced Allergists, Schaumburg, IL
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Asthma and allergy management for all ages
Developed new nurse training modules
Trained and oriented new nurses

2009 - 2011 Staff Nurse, Manor Care, Elk Grove Village, IL
Provided direct patient care on the Transitional Care Unit

2009 - 2010 Staff Nurse, Maxim Healthcare Services and CHC Health Services
Wellness clinics, health screenings and flu clinics

AWARDS

Illinois Board of Higher Education (2025)

Nurse educator fellowship program: \$10,000 salary supplement for professional development, conference expenses, continued education, and professional dues.

Health Equity Award

Loyola University Chicago (2023 – 2024)

Amount \$ 50,000. Role: Co-investigator

Project: Opportunities for Reducing Community Health Inequities for Depression (ORCHID).

PUBLICATIONS

Shrikanth, S., & Greiner-Weinstein, G. (2026). Integrating human trafficking education into undergraduate nursing: A social learning approach. *Journal of Nursing Education*.

Chirayil, M., & **Shrikanth, S. (2026).** Well-being in home healthcare nurses: A quality improvement project. *Home Healthcare Now*, 44(4), 241-248

Schroers, G., **Shrikanth, S. & Pfeffer, J. (2023).** Undergraduate nursing student experiences in American clinical learning environments: A descriptive study. *Nurse Education Today*.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Shrikanth, S., & Greiner-Weinstein, G. Is Laughter the Best Medicine? A Review of Laughter Yoga as a Stress-Reduction Strategy for students and nurses. Poster presentation: Ruth K. Palmer Research Symposium. Loyola University Chicago, April 2026.

Chirayil, M., & **Shrikanth, S.** Well-being in home healthcare nurses: A quality improvement project. **Poster Blitz Presentation:** Ruth K. Palmer Research Symposium. Loyola University Chicago, April 2026.

Shrikanth, S., & Greiner-Weinstein, G. Human Trafficking Content in Nursing Education: A Literature Review. **Poster** presentation: Ruth K. Palmer Research Symposium. Loyola University Chicago, April 2025.

Chirayil M., & **Shrikanth, S.** Well-Being in Home Healthcare Nurses. Quality Improvement (November 12, 2025) poster presented at Transforming Practice: The Intersection of Technology and Nursing Excellence: Advocate Health Nursing Research and Professional Development Conference 2025

Shrikanth, S. *Nursing Faculty Experiences with Adaptive Learning Technology: A Qualitative Study.* **Poster** presentation: Ruth K. Palmer Research Symposium. Loyola University Chicago, March 2022.

PODIUM PRESENTATIONS

Shrikanth, S. LOL! Laugh Out Loud with Laughter Yoga. Podium Presentation at the Creating Healthy Work Environments Conference of the Sigma Theta Tau, Washinton DC, March 2026

Liu, Y., Olayeni, B., Sterner, E., **Shrikanth, S.**, Gampetro, P., Johnson, R., Shamsi, M. & Saravanan, A. (2025, November). Impact of the Smart Tablet Education for Healthy Living (STEHL) Intervention: Results from a Focus Group Study. Paper, Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Boston, MA

Saravanan, A., **Shrikanth, S.**, Gampetro, P., Luckose, A., Olayeni, B., Kaplan, H., Johnson, R., & Shamsi, M. (October 23, 2025). Scalability of community-based participatory research: Older adults and technology. **Presenters: Saravanan, A. & Shrikanth, S.**

Shrikanth, S. (2025). From Huh? to Aha! The Power of Linguistic Modification. **Faculty Development Presentation** at Marion University, Indiana.

Briones Connor, J., Byrn, M., Conway-Phillips, R., Kostovich, C.T., McCarthy-Kowols, M., **Shrikanth, S.**, & Schmidt, L. *Transitioning to a Competency-Based BSN Program: Developing Critical Elements of Performance for Assessment.* **Podium Presentation** at AACN Transform 2023 Conference, Lake Buena Vista, FL. December 1, 2023.

Shrikanth, S. Distraction or Game Changer. Faculty Experiences with Adaptive Learning Technology. **Podium presentation** at National League of Nursing Conference: Maryland, September 29, 2023

Schroers, G, **Shrikanth, S.** & Pfeiffer, J. Sound the Alarm: Prelicensure Nursing Student Experiences in Clinical Learning Environments. **Podium presentation** at MNRS, Des Moines, Iowa, March 2023

Shrikanth, S. & Raymond, R. *Use of Humor and Pop Culture Analogies to Teach Difficult Nursing Topics.* **Podium presentation** at American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) Baccalaureate Education Conference; Orlando, Florida, November 2015.

TEACHING

Loyola University Chicago, MNSON, Chicago, IL

Clinical Role Transition (CRT)

Nursing Research for Evidence Based Practice

Community Health Nursing, theory and clinicals

Course Director: Community Health Nursing
Foundations of Pharmacology
Foundations of Nursing: Lab Skills

William Rainey Harper College, Palatine, IL

2016 – 2022: Guest Lecturer, RN Refresher Program
Fluids and Electrolyte Imbalances and Pharmacotherapy of Diabetes Mellitus

Advising

MSN advisor: FNP student, 2023
MSN practicum faculty: Grantham University student, 2018
PhD teaching practicum advisor: Loyola University Student, 2024
DNP Faculty Advisor: QI Improvement Project, 2025 (published 2026)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Loyola University Chicago, Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing

Executive Committee **Chair**, 2025 – present
Faculty Council, member 2025 – present
Masters in Nursing (MN) Program Task force **Chair**, 2025 – 2026
Inclusive Excellence Task Force, member, 2020 – present
AACN Nursing Essentials Steering Committee, member 2022 – 2024
Research Committee, member 2022 – 2024
Undergraduate Nursing Program Committee, **cochair**, 2023-2024
Gaps and Redundancies Work Group, member, 2020-2022
Course Director Role Work Group, member, 2021-2022
BSN Assessment Work Group, member, 2020-2021

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Sigma Theta Tau Honor Society: Board Member
National League of Nursing (NLN)
American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

2022 – current Primary Care outpatient clinic, Hoffman Estates: Volunteer Flu Clinic RN
2019 – 2021 Will Grundy Medical Clinic, Joliet IL: Volunteer RN and scribe
2016 – 2018 American Red Cross: Community Health Educator (Measles and Rubella Initiative)
2016 Children's Safety Expo, IL: Educated community members on pediatric health and wellness
2012 International Nursing Service, Kenya: Provided culturally sensitive patient care to all age groups in impoverished rural and urban settings in Nairobi. Mentored student nurses during clinical rotations