



# MSON Graduate Nursing Newsletter

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## Welcome to the New School Year

Welcome to all. This is the first newsletter for the MSON Graduate Nursing Program. With the move, we thought it would be a great way to stay in touch with one another. You can expect a newsletter at least once a month. By now you have all had the opportunity to visit our new offices and see construction first hand. The new building continues to progress and we should move in sometime this semester.

Once we are truly settled, we are sure you will all be pleased with our new home. Some of the things you can look forward to include computer labs, simulation classrooms, a new assessment lab and a reflection place. The College of Health Professions building will house the stained glass windows from Mercy College. This will certainly be a beautiful addition.

Many of you participated in the Inaugural Week activities including the dedication of the new building and inauguration of our new president, Fr. Gerard Stockhausen, SJ. See the pictures below from Hands That Heal and the Dedication and Ribbon Cutting of the new College of Health Professions building.



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## Nursing Program Accreditation

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We're on the Web!  
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As many of you have probably heard, the MSON nursing programs will undergo accreditation in spring 2005. We will have visitors from both the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission ([www.nlnac.org](http://www.nlnac.org)) and the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (<http://www.aacn.nche.edu/Accreditation/>). You will be hearing more about the visits during the semester as your participation will be important.

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## Student Representation on MSON Committees

Graduate Nursing Students are invited to participate on the MSON committees. Committee meetings are usually on Monday afternoons. Committees seeking graduate student representation include: Curriculum Committee, Academic Progression Committee, Scholarship and Awards Committee and Evaluation and Outcomes Committee. You can find a full description of the committee in the graduate student handbook. If any of you are interested, please contact Janet Baiardi at 313-993-2443 or [baiardjm@udmercy.edu](mailto:baiardjm@udmercy.edu)

## Graduate Student Nursing Handbook

The 2004-2005 MSON Graduate Nursing Student Handbook is now available. A copy has been emailed to everyone. Copies will also be available on CD later this month. If you would like a CD copy, please contact Janet Baiardi or Ms. Cheryl Walker.

## Informal Student Meetings

Communication is very important to us. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us by phone or email. Also in October Dr. Janet Baiardi will be hosting some graduate student meetings. These informal meetings will be an opportunity for you to discuss your program and answer any questions and are scheduled as follows:

Monday October 18, 2004 4:45 pm until 5:30 pm Student Lounge Area

Tuesday October 19, 2004 5:30 pm until 6:15 pm Student Lounge Area

Tuesday October 26, 2004 4:15 pm until 5:00 pm University Center

## Questions or Comments?

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