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**EMORY'S  
SCHOOL OF  
NURSING**

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**IN**

Admitted  
Student  
Guide



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### What's Next for Admitted Students?

- Review the information in this guide for important dates and information about the School of Nursing.
- Log in to the Admitted Students' website at [nursing.emory.edu/admitted](https://nursing.emory.edu/admitted) to download interactive checklists and program information. Use your OPUS username and password to log in to the Admitted Students' website.
- Log in to OPUS at [opus.emory.edu](https://opus.emory.edu) to review your To Do List, which details missing financial aid items.
- Submit your nonrefundable **Tuition Deposit** and **Student Action Form**.
- Contact the Office of Enrollment and Student Affairs at 1.800.222.3879 or [nursingquestions@emory.edu](mailto:nursingquestions@emory.edu) with any questions or concerns.
- RSVP for Admitted Students' Day on the Admitted Students' website.

### 2018 Key Dates

February 3	Admitted Students Day
March 1	Tuition Deposit Deadline—All Programs
May 1	AMSN Student Release Form Due AMSN Clinical Compliance Forms Due AMSN Student Health Information Due to Student Health Services AMSN EmoryCard ID Picture Due
May 18	AMSN Orientation
May 21	First Day of Classes Summer Semester
August 1	BSN, ABSN, MSN, DNP Student Release Form BSN, ABSN, MSN, DNP Clinical Compliance Forms Due BSN, ABSN, MSN, DNP Student Health Information Due to Student Health Services BSN, ABSN, MSN, DNP EmoryCard ID Picture Due
August 27	MSN Specialty Onboarding
August 28	BSN/ABSN Orientation
August 29	First Day of Classes Fall Semester



## TOP RANKINGS

- Emory is consistently ranked among the nation's top graduate nursing programs by *US News & World and Report*.
- Emory is a top-ranking nursing school for National Institutes of Health research funding.
- Emory is a National League for Nursing Center of Excellence for Nursing Education.

## MEET NELL, OUR NAMESAKE

Nell Hodgson Woodruff's interest in nursing began during her childhood in Athens, Georgia. When Nell finished her secondary schooling, she entered nursing training at St. Mary's Hospital in Athens, Georgia. On a trip to Atlanta, Nell met Robert Woodruff. Nell and Robert were married at her parents' home in Athens in 1912. When the United States entered World War I, Nell began volunteering as a nurses' aide with the American Red Cross. Through extra training, Nell was authorized to be a nurses' aide at any United States military hospital.

# GET TO KNOW THE SCHOOL OF NURSING

You're in!  
Connect with your fellow students and with the School of Nursing on the sites below.



Facebook:  
[www.facebook.com/emorynursing](http://www.facebook.com/emorynursing)



Twitter:  
[www.twitter.com/emorynursing](http://www.twitter.com/emorynursing)



Flickr:  
[www.flickr.com/emorynursing](http://www.flickr.com/emorynursing)



Instagram:  
[www.instagram.com/emory\\_nursing](http://www.instagram.com/emory_nursing)



Blog:  
[www.emorynursingnow.com](http://www.emorynursingnow.com)



In 1932, Nell began volunteering at Emory University Hospital. When the United States went back to war in 1941, Nell again donated many hours of her time to the Red Cross, worked as a nurses' aide in hospitals, and recruited other women to nursing. As the first female member of the Emory Hospital Administration Committee, Nell helped establish the Emory University School of Nursing. In 1967, Emory University Board of Trustees decided to honor Nell for her years of service and dedication to nursing by renaming the School of Nursing the Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing.



## LETTER FROM DEAN MCCAULEY

A Message from Dean Linda McCauley

Welcome to the Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing and congratulations on taking the next big step toward achieving your personal and professional goals in nursing. I am delighted you have chosen the Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing at Emory University as your partner in this journey. Our health care system is undergoing unprecedented change and the needs and opportunities for nurses have never been greater.

The School of Nursing is an internationally renowned institution with a century of experience in preparing nurse leaders, scholars, and innovators who are ready to lead change and advance health care for all people. Emphasizing evidence-based nursing, critical thinking, ethical practice, and social responsibility, our programs develop nurses who are not only highly skilled but actively engaged in shaping policy and solving real-world challenges in health care around the world.



## MEET DEAN MCCAULEY

Linda A. McCauley is the sixth dean of the Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing. She holds a secondary appointment in Emory's Rollins School of Public Health.

Under her leadership, the School of Nursing is executing a comprehensive strategic plan to expand the school's research enterprise, forge new clinical partnerships, and increase diversity among the faculty and student population.



Our programs are designed to respond to your individual learning needs. *US News & World Report* consistently ranks our programs among the nation's best. Emory's collaborative environment provides students the opportunity to work with clinicians and scholars in the Woodruff Health Sciences Center, and more than 500 clinical partners, including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Emory Healthcare, Grady Health System, and Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. As a top-ranked nursing school for National Institutes of Health research funding, students in all programs also have the opportunity to engage in transformational research that is improving care delivery and patient health.

I encourage you to explore all that the School of Nursing has to offer and look forward to having you join the Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda A. McCauley".

**Dean Linda A. McCauley**  
PhD, RN, FAAN, FAOHN





**Cory Woodyatt**  
ABSN

"One of the Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing's greatest attributes is the access to various learning environments and opportunities. I appreciate the well-known reputation and caliber of hospitals available to NHWSN students. The complexities and diversity of the patient populations available at these hospitals afford us incredibly enriched learning opportunities."



**Kimberly Gardner**  
AMSN, Family Nurse Practitioner

"I chose Emory because of its excellent nursing program that is ranked fourth in the United States. Emory stood out to me because of its NCLEX pass rate and the big role Emory Healthcare plays in the community. Social responsibility is very important to me, and I feel as if Emory is a great leader in this area."



**Josh Brown**  
AMSN, Adult Gerontology Acute Care

"I chose Emory because it was incredibly inviting. Many schools of Emory's caliber have a demeanor that is interpreted, 'What can you do to make our school better.' Emory on the other hand created an atmosphere that screamed, 'What can our school do to make you better.' "

## MEET YOUR FELLOW STUDENTS



**Haley Reid**  
MSN, Family Nurse Practitioner

"The faculty here at the Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing are dedicated to improving the student experience, and they have always been willing to be flexible with us. As a student, I appreciate their willingness to address our needs and make changes as appropriate. Whether it was posting an additional lecture to clarify a confusing concept in class or giving us an extension on a project, as a student I always feel cared for and supported."



**Shanita Webb**  
Doctor of Nursing Practice, Health Systems Leadership Program

"My DNP team, Dr. Lisa Muirhead, Dr. Corrine Abraham, and Dr. Ursula Kelly have made a lasting impact on me. Their expertise and support were critical in the formation of my DNP project. I really enjoy the collaborative academic environment the DNP faculty and staff create. It really fosters opportunities to learn from our colleagues, faculty, and guest speakers."





**Lisa Marie Thompson**  
Associate Professor  
PhD, MSN, RN, FNP-BC, FAAN

**Research:** Environmental health disparities

"The RESPIRE-Guatemala study was the first randomized stove intervention trial to reduce household air pollution from cooking fires, a problem I knew little about at the time, over a decade ago. I started working with the project when I was a first-year doctoral student. Finding solutions to a problem that three billion people face daily, and that causes two million deaths a year, is important to me. Fifteen years later, I am still working in Guatemala on reducing the burden of disease with clean cook stoves."



**Jill Hamilton**  
Associate Professor Tenured  
PhD, RN, FAAN

**Research:** Health disparities, social and cultural factors that influence health, and the coping strategies used among older African American cancer survivors and their families

"The research project that shaped my career was my dissertation research. In this study I explored the ways in which social support was conceptualized and used among older African American cancer survivors. One of the findings from this study was that God was a very important source of support for this population. This project was the foundation for my current research focus on spirituality and health and the use of hymns, religious text, and prayers in response to cancer and other stressful life events."

*transformational*  
**RESEARCH**

## CONNECT WITH FACULTY



### EMORY NURSING FACULTY EXCELLENCE

School of Nursing scientists, researchers, and scholars work beyond traditional research boundaries to address our most pressing health care challenges nationwide and abroad.

- Studies are exploring the origins of disease and illness, improving health, and the delivery of care.
- The school's world-class faculty are health care leaders and renowned experts in their fields.
- More than 30 percent of full-time faculty serve on national boards including a presidential appointment to the National Cancer Advisory Board.
- More than 35 percent of our full-time faculty and 81 percent of tenured faculty are fellows of the American Academy of Nursing.



**Susan Brasher**  
Assistant Clinical Professor  
PhD, CPNP-PC

**Research:** Autism spectrum disorders (ASD)

"My aim is to improve the lives of children and families with ASD. My research is responsive to the needs of children with ASD and their families. The research project that most shaped my career is through the Patient-Centered Outcome Research Institute engaging individuals with ASD and their families living in rural and underserved areas. I am able to engage families of children with ASD living in rural and underserved areas to identify the barriers to early diagnosis and intervention."



**Mi-Kyung Song**  
Professor, Director, Center for Nursing Excellence in Palliative Care  
PhD, RN, FAAN

**Research:** Palliative and end-of-life care

"The focus of my research is on improving the quality of life in people with life-limiting illness, including those nearing the end of life. This is the focus of my research because such research has the potential to impact patients and their families directly when they are most vulnerable."



**Roy L. Simpson**  
Clinical Professor, Assistant Dean for Technology Management  
DNP, RN, DPNP, FAAN, FACMI

**Research:** Nursing informatics, senior executive administration

"With a practice in big data analytics, I focus on quality and safety issues that are with the electronic health record. I'm developing a surveillance algorithm for quality and safety of patients in acute care expanding across the continuum recognizing NDNQI criteria into a decision support dashboard for bedside care givers."

## OVERVIEW

Emory's School of Nursing is committed to making education affordable for all qualified students. Most of our enrolled students receive need-based and/or merit-based aid to help finance their Emory education. All need-based aid is awarded on the basis of demonstrated financial need as determined by the analysis of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. All forms are available online.

- In 2016–2017, the School of Nursing awarded \$5.1 million in financial aid and scholarships to students.
- More than 93% of students received some form of financial aid.
- Last year, the nursing school awarded more than 500 scholarships.

## FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS



## SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

The School of Nursing offers multiple scholarships and fellowships for high-achieving students. All applicants are automatically reviewed for academic scholarships.

Below is a sampling of the most prestigious scholarships available at the School of Nursing.

### Graduate Nursing Opportunities

- Coverdell Fellows Program provides assistance to returned Peace Corps volunteers.
- Robert W. Woodruff Scholarships and Fellowships offer full-tuition scholarships for students who exemplify exceptional character, scholastic abilities, and leadership qualities.

### AMSN Nursing Opportunities

- The Fuld Service Learning Fellowship provides a 75% tuition scholarship for Accelerated BSN+MSN (ABSN+MSN) students who demonstrate a commitment to social responsibility.
- The Fuld Palliative Care Fellowship provides program support and scholarships to high-achieving students with an interest in palliative care clinical initiatives, research, and policy development.

Visit [nursing.emory.edu/scholarships](https://nursing.emory.edu/scholarships) to learn more.

## SERVICE LEARNING AND CLINICAL EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS

Emory University is conveniently located near a variety of major health care centers. As an Emory nursing student, you will have access to health care organizations such as Emory Healthcare, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Children's Healthcare of Atlanta.

### SERVICE LEARNING

Nursing students are drawn to Emory because of its emphasis on service learning, a teaching method that incorporates community service into the curriculum. Service learning is a thread that touches every course, every student, every faculty

member, and every patient Emory nurses care for today and in the future. The School of Nursing has more than 300 clinical sites around the world. Students can participate in service learning trips to the Bahamas, the Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Haiti, Georgia, and West Virginia. Last year, students logged more than 20,000 service learning hours. Providing nursing care to vulnerable populations adds a transformational element to nurse training that cannot be duplicated in a classroom. Emory nursing students say these service learning activities are life-changing experiences that transform the way they practice nursing.

## HEALTH CARE HIGHLIGHTS

### EMORY HEALTHCARE

Emory Healthcare is the largest health care system in Georgia and the only health network in the state that brings together a full range of hospitals, clinics, and local practices.

Providers at locations across Georgia include Emory University Hospital, Emory University Hospital Midtown, Emory University Orthopaedics & Spine Hospital, and the Wesley Woods Center; Emory Saint Joseph's Hospital, and Emory Johns Creek Hospital; Emory Clinic; CVS/Caremark, Delta Airlines Clinic, and Coca-Cola Clinic; and the Emory Healthcare Network physicians.

Emory University Hospital is a nationally ranked hospital in a multitude of areas, and is ranked the No. 1 hospital in Georgia by *US News and World Report*. Emory Healthcare is the only health system in Georgia with three Magnet-designated hospitals. Magnet recognition is granted by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's (ANCC) Magnet Recognition Program®, which ensures that rigorous standards for nursing excellence are met. (Source: *emory-healthcare.com*)

Emory successfully treated the first Ebola patients to enter the US. Three alumni from the School of Nursing who now work as nurses in Emory Healthcare were involved in the patients' care.

### CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) works 24/7 to protect the United States from health, safety, and security threats, both foreign and domestic. Whether diseases start at home or abroad, are chronic or acute, curable or preventable, from human error or deliberate attack, CDC fights disease and supports communities and citizens to do the same. CDC increases the health security of our nation. As the nation's health protection agency, CDC saves lives and protects people from health

threats. To accomplish our mission, CDC conducts critical science and provides health information that protects our nation against expensive and dangerous health threats, and responds when these arise. (Source: *cdc.gov*)

### CHILDREN'S HEALTHCARE OF ATLANTA

Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, a not-for-profit organization, is committed to enhancing the lives of children through excellence in patient care, research, and education. Managing more than half a million patient visits annually at three hospitals and 20 neighborhood locations, Children's is one of the largest clinical care providers for children in the country. Children's offers access to more than 30 pediatric specialties and is ranked among the top children's hospitals by *Parents* magazine and *US News & World Report*.

(Source: *choa.org*)

clinical  
COLLABORATION

### ATLANTA VA MEDICAL CENTER

The Atlanta VA Medical Center is dedicated to honoring America's veterans by providing exceptional health care that improves their health and well-being. Located close to the Emory University campus, the Atlanta VA covers more than 130,000 enrolled veterans living in 50 counties and 10 congressional districts in northeast Georgia. As the nation's largest integrated health care system, the VA operates more than 1,400 sites of care, including hospitals, community clinics, community living centers, domiciliaries, readjustment counseling centers, and various other facilities. (Source: *atlanta.va.gov*)

The School of Nursing offers a special clinical training program for BSN students in collaboration with the Atlanta VA. This program, the VA Nursing Academic Partnership Scholars, provides veteran-centric training for Emory nursing students interested in mental health, traumatic brain injury, home health care, palliative care, and homeless care.





## EXPLORE ATLANTA

Atlanta is the cultural, technological, financial, and health care center of the Southeast. Its global community of more than five million offers our students opportunities for research, experience, and employment, as well as a variety of entertainment and many cultural places to explore.

### ATTRACTIONS

- World of Coca-Cola
- Georgia Aquarium
- Atlanta Botanical Garden
- Fox Theater
- National Center for Civil and Human Rights
- High Museum of Art
- Six Flags Over Georgia
- Underground Atlanta
- Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum
- Atlanta History Center
- College Football Hall of Fame
- Zoo Atlanta

### PARKS

- Lullwater Preserve
- Piedmont Park
- Centennial Olympic Park
- Stone Mountain Park
- Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area

### SPORTS

- Braves
- Falcons
- Hawks
- Atlanta United FC



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# JOIN IN OUR TRADITIONS

Sometimes hard to describe, but always fun, our traditions make for a lively and close community and a lasting link between Emory students young and old. Take a look at a few of the traditions that make Emory home.

## DOOLEY

Since 1899, Emory University's unofficial mascot has been a skeleton named Dooley. Our "Lord of Misrule" (select students in costume protected by student bodyguards) makes appearances all year, but it's Dooley's Week in the spring when Dooley rules campus, dismissing classes and making mischief.

## WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY

Originating decades ago when Emory held no classes on this day, Wonderful Wednesday now is a way for the whole campus to celebrate and show school spirit on Wednesday afternoons.

## CARTER TOWN HALL

Every fall for almost 30 years, former President Jimmy Carter holds a town hall meeting for students, where he speaks on a range of political topics and current events and takes questions from the audience.

## ALTERNATIVE BREAK PROGRAM

During fall, winter, and spring breaks, Volunteer Emory and the School of Nursing organize international, regional, and local service trips, giving students leadership and learning experiences as they provide service in communities across the globe.







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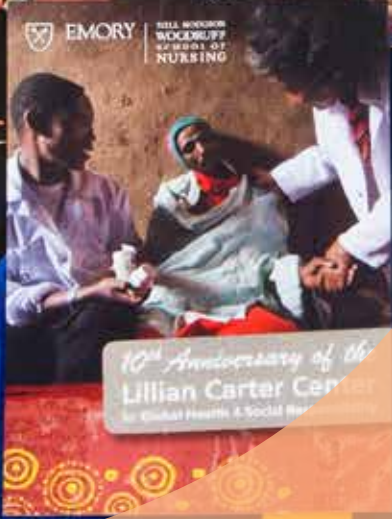
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**EBOLA**  
FROM MICROSCOPE



Scholarship  
the Future  
of Emory



10th Anniversary of the  
Lillian Carter Center  
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Start the  
Conversation



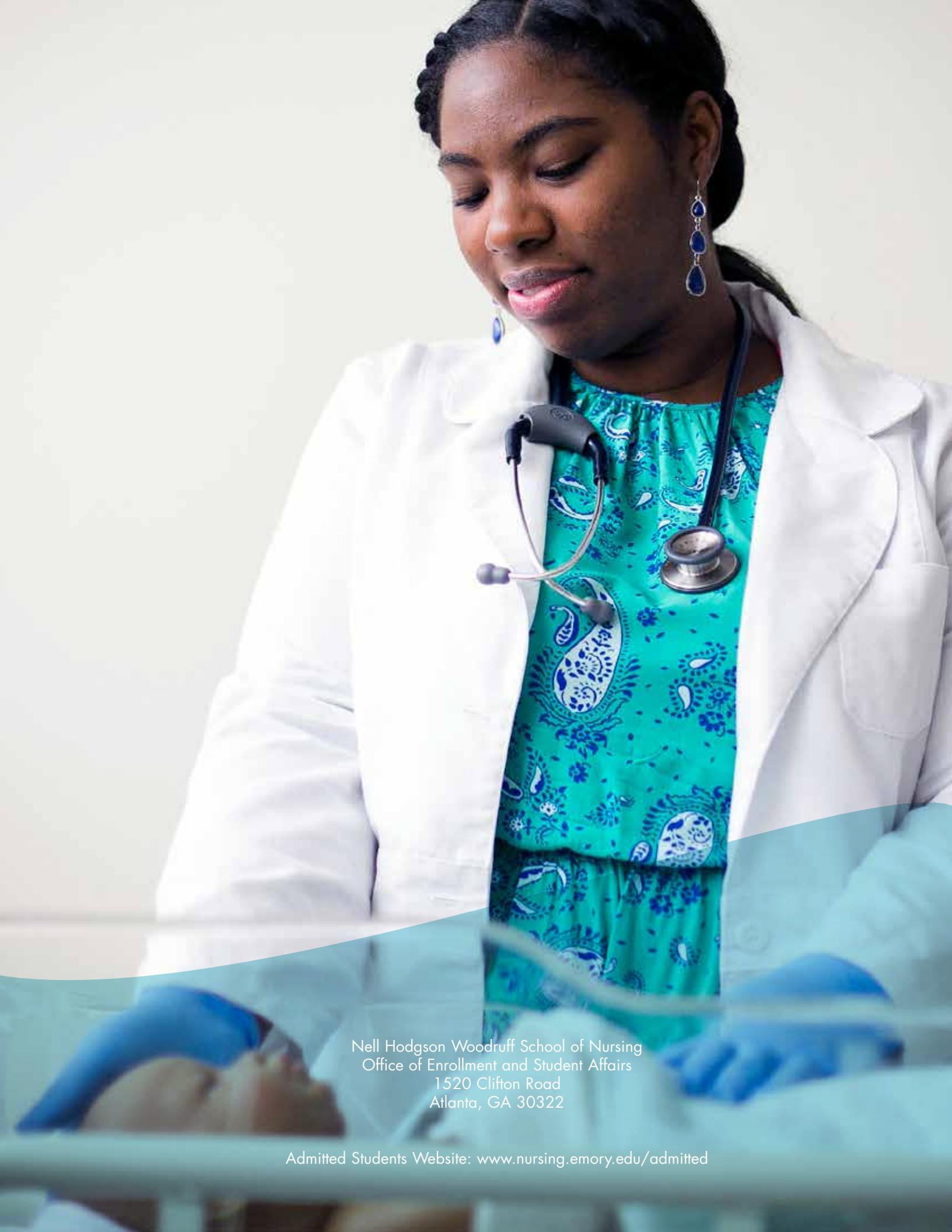
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