

Leesa Strickland DNP, RNC-NIC

Education

Loyola University Chicago
Doctor of Nursing Practice, 2024

Lewis University
Master of Science in Nursing, 2016

Loyola University of Chicago
Bachelor of Science in Nursing, 1994

Teaching Experience

2018-present

Loyola University, Chicago, Illinois Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing

- Instructor 2018-present
 - Family II Care of the Child and Family
 - Family II Care of the Child and Family Lab
 - Foundations of Nursing Practice Lab
 - Leadership for Professional Nursing Practice Clinical

Clinical Experience

Aug 2025

Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital, Downers Grove, Illinois

- Staff Nurse, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
 - Primarily responsible for nursing care of neonates while in the intensive care unit at a level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

2015-2018

Northwestern Medicine Physician Partners, Oak Brook, Illinois

- Ambulatory Care Coordinator
 - Primarily care coordinator for OB patients and pediatric patients.
 - Assisted with finding community resources as needed.

2001-2017

Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital, Downers Grove, Illinois

- Charge Nurse, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit/Interim Educator 2013-2015
 - Leadership responsibilities included: policy/procedure create and review, process improvement initiatives, staff education, skills day creation, various committees, data collection.
 - Charge nurse responsibilities: daily staffing needs, resource for staff, preceptor, coordination of staff.

- Primarily responsible for nursing care of neonates while in the intensive care unit at a level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

2001-2001

Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, Park Ridge, Illinois

- Staff Nurse, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
 - Primarily responsible for nursing care of neonates while in the intensive care unit at a level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

2000-2001

Rush Copley Medical Center, Aurora, Illinois

- Staff Nurse in Intensive Care Unit
 - Assisted in the creation of cardio-thoracic surgical service line
 - Educated staff on caring for post-operative cardiovascular patients.

1999-2000

Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital, Downers Grove, Illinois

- Staff Nurse in Intensive Care Unit
 - Level I trauma center.
 - Variety of acutely ill patients.

1997-1999

Loyola University Medical Center, Maywood, Illinois

- Staff Nurse Cardiovascular Intensive Care Unit
 - Cared for post-operative cardio-thoracic patients.

1996-1997

IVONYX, Downers Grove, Illinois

- Clinical Manager for nursing staff
 - Responsible for coordination of nursing care for home infusion care field nurses.
 - Coordination of care with insurance companies.
 - Care of home infusion patients.

1994-1996

Loyola University Medical Center, Maywood, Illinois

- Charge nurse Medical Oncology unit
 - Cared for a variety of patients.
 - Worked with many different types of central lines.
 - Preceptor of many new graduate nurses.

**Certifications
and Licensure**

- Licensed Registered Professional Nurse, State of Illinois, 1994-present.
- Certification from National Certification Corporation with certification in Neonatal Intensive Care, 2011-present
- Essentials in Clinical Simulation Across the Health Professions, September 2022.

Presentations

**Invited, Refereed, Non-Data Based, Local, Oral Presentation
CEU Certification/Program Presentation**

- Poster presentation at Midwest Nursing Research Society Conference, Indianapolis, Indiana 2025
- Poster presentation abstract accepted to the Academy of Neonatal Nursing Fall conference 2024
- Assertiveness Workshop-Co-created a workshop for Junior and Senior Baccalaureate nursing students in Romeoville, Illinois 2015.

Loyola University Chicago Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing Courses

Teaching	Academic Year	Courses	Course Evaluation Scores (out of 5)	Number of Students
Classroom-in person	2024-2025	Fall: GNUR 238: Foundations of Nursing Practice	3.6, 4.2	67
		Spring: GNUR 238: Foundations of Nursing Practice	4.1, 4.8, 4.3	101
		Summer: MCN 374L: Family II Care of the Child and Family Lab		8
Classroom-in person	2023-2024	Fall: GNUR 238: Foundations of Nursing Practice	3.7	42
		Fall: MCN 374: Family II Care of the Child and Family	2.5	32
		Spring: GNUR 238: Foundations of Nursing Practice	3.2, 3.5	96
		Summer: MCN 374L: Family II Care of the Child and Family Lab	4.5	8
Classroom-in person	2022-2023	Fall: GNUR 238: Foundations of Nursing Practice	3.8, 4.1	56
		Fall: MCN 374: Family II Care of the Child and Family	3.4, 2.8	54
			4.1, 4.6, 3	124

		Spring: GNUR 238: Foundations of Nursing Practice		
Classroom-in-person	2021-2022	Fall: GNUR 238: Foundations of Nursing Practice Fall: MCN 374: Family II Care of the Child and Family Spring: GNUR 238: Foundations of Nursing Practice	4.0 4.1 4.4	41 59 114
Classroom-online Labs-were in person and online	2020-2021	Fall: GNUR 238: Foundations of Nursing Practice Fall: MCN 374: Family II Care of the Child and Family Fall: MCN 374L: Family II Care of the Child and Family Lab Spring: GNUR 238: Foundations of Nursing Practice Spring: GNUR 238 L: Foundations of Nursing Practice Lab	Not available	37 37 8 64 24
Classroom-in person Lab-in person Classroom-in person and online Lab-in person and online Lab-person and online	2019-2020	Fall: MCN 374: Family II Care of the Child and Family Fall: MCN 374L: Family II Care of the Child and Family Lab Spring: GNUR 238: Foundations of Nursing Practice Spring: GNUR 238 L: Foundations of Nursing Practice Lab Spring: MCN 374L: Family II Care of the Child and Family Lab	Not available	29 24 36 16 8
	2018-2019	Fall: MCN 374L: Family II Care of the Child and Family Lab Spring: MCN 374L: Family II Care of the Child and Family Lab Spring: GNUR 238L: Foundations of Nursing Practice Lab Spring: GNUR 383L: Leadership for Professional Nursing Practice Lab Summer: MCN 374: Family II Care of the Child and Family	Not available	23 16 36 10 70

**Professional
Service**

**Loyola University Chicago
School of Nursing Task Force**

- Workload Policy Evaluation task force 2025-present
- Curriculum Committee 2024-present
- UNAPR 2024-present
- Workload task force 2019-2024
- Undergraduate Nursing Program Committee 2020-2021