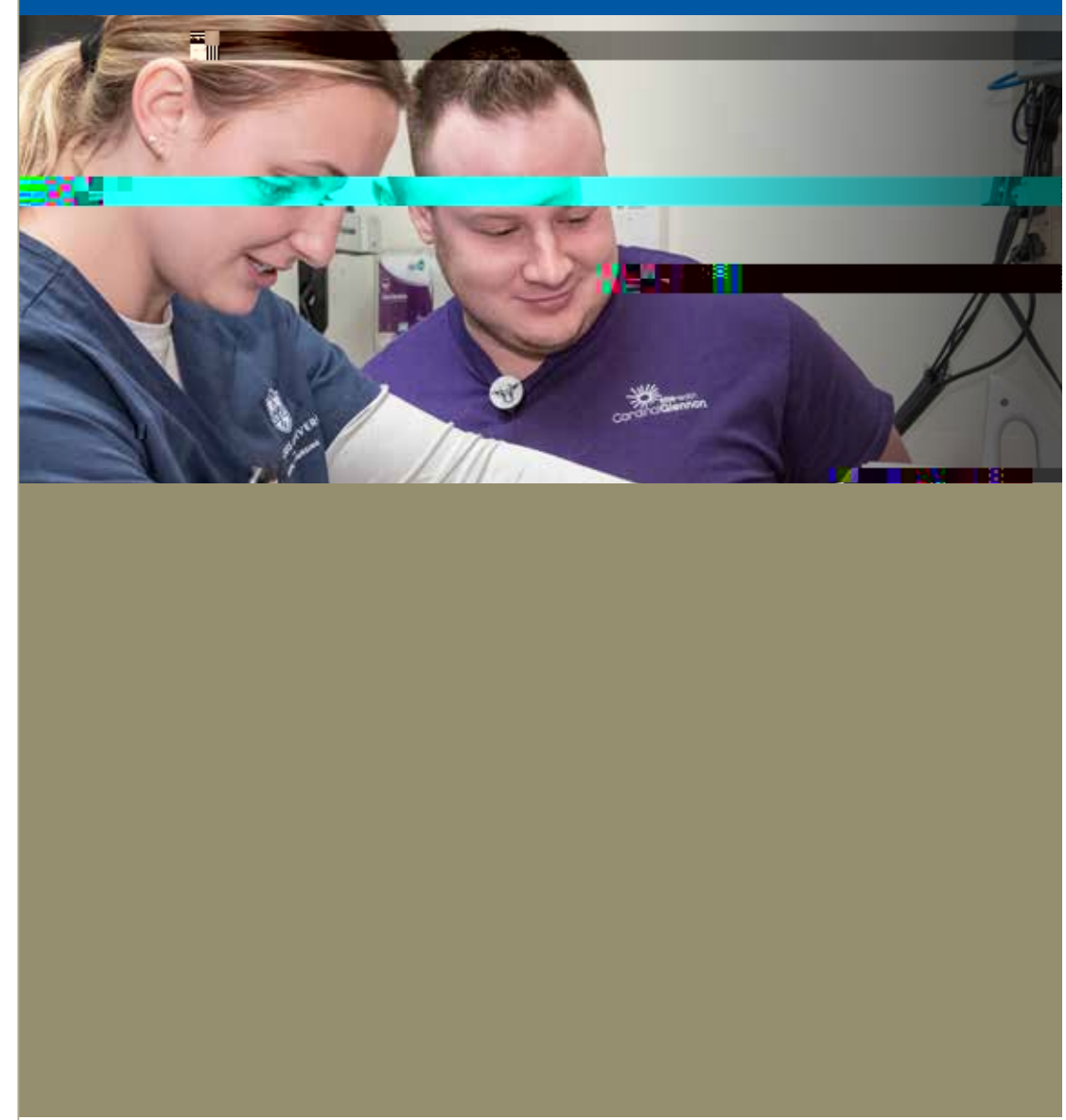


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In this issue, we feature some of the outstanding leaders within our Valentine School of Nursing here at Saint Louis University. When we began discussing this issue, I was reminded of a statue near DuBourg Hall. Named "The Pilgrim," it is a life-size bronze of St. Ignatius, and yes, it is featured on the cover of this magazine. As you can see, the statue depicts St. Ignatius, Bible in one hand, shepherd's staff in the other. He is frozen mis, 1n.5 (s)-7.Bf i n tis m(s)-7.-39 ()]-30.7 (ha)-15.4 (g)-1-23.3 (i)-30.6 (hai) (s, 1n.5)-257(s)-2.1 (u)-2. (z)-175t.

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As with any large endeavor that involves collaborations of institutions and other large entities, a steering committee, known as the Academic Practice Partnership, was established.

"The first step in developing this special partnership with SSM Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital has been the establishment of a steering

When the Covid-19 pandemic jumped from Asia to Europe, then spread “from sea to shining sea” and ultimately overtook every hospital around the corner, it alerted the rest of us to something long recognized by Professor Karen S. Moore, D.N.P., APRN, ANP-BC, FNP-C, FAANP, FAAN:

“I always have known it is not what you take but what you give, what you have to offer and what you can do to help,” she said. “I have always felt this need to understand other cultures, to be engaged and meet people where they are. I was raised with the awareness that ‘there by the grace of God go I.’ We weren’t rich. My dad was an electrician, and my mom was a nurse, but I was always aware that we still had more than a lot of people.”

Moore’s research interests range from occupational and environmental health topics, focusing on international travelers’ health and infectious disease, to orthopedics and pain management, which involve evidence-based practice, and address the needs of low-resourced communities and work toward health promotion. All of this takes her far beyond the Valentine School’s campus.

Her travels, virtual and actual, have taken her to Rome, where she presented at the HIV Nursing Conference, to Singapore, where she attended the International Council of Nurses Congress, and most recently to Ireland, not once but twice, presenting at the International Council of Nurses Nurse Practitioner Network Conference in Dublin, and then as a Fulbright Specialist Award recipient helping to develop the Doctor of Nursing Practice (D.N.P.) role within the country, as well as strengthen the interna-

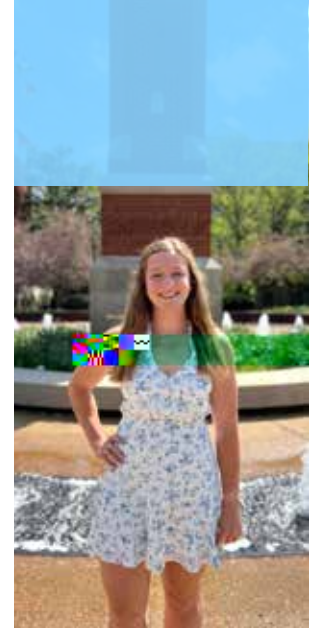


WHAT COURSE/EDUCATOR/ EXPERIENCE AT THE VALENTINE SCHOOL HAD THE GREATEST IMPACT ON YOU AND WHY?

"Everyone in the department has been top notch, but if I'm to single anyone out, it has to be Nikki Rogers. She is the coordinator of the simulation lab. She didn't directly teach any course, but she has gone out of her way to make entering the SON building a bit more comfortable. She is full of smiles, not just for me but for every student she comes across. My program is a very stressful one, and an occasional smiling and understanding face in the hallway goes more than a long way.

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WHAT FACULTY SAY ABOUT SOYOYE: "Yomi stood out to me from the get-go! He is an advocate for himself, as well as others. My first encounter with Yomi was his concerns that the microwaves weren't working well. The ABSN students rely on those microwaves, so that was a big deal. His advocacy paid off. The students got what they needed — new microwaves. Yomi is always engaged in learning and takes it quite seriously. He also has a great sense of humor and personality that is one-of-a-kind. He is going to be an amazing nurse. During his most challenging year, he and his wife were expecting, and he managed to care for her — while she was on bedrest — and their toddler, all while managing his school work, clinicals and simulations. I am so proud of Yomi's hard work and determination." — Assistant Professor Nikki Rogers, MSN, RN, Coordinator of the Clarke Simulation Learning Laboratory



hypertension, a significant health care issue for this population, reflects her commitment to providing care that will have a major impact on the health and quality of life for her patients. April embodies the attributes we expect in our Doctor of Nursing Practice students, including being proactive in promoting healthy lifestyles and developing and implementing patient-centered strategies to decrease risk." — Associate Dean and Professor Joanne Thanavaro, D.N.P., RN, AGPCNP-BC, AGACNP-BC, DCC, FAANP, director of Advanced Practice Nursing and D.N.P. programs; Coleman/Chaifetz Entrepreneurship Fellow





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