

Recipients of the Foundation Nursing Scholarship for 2016 – 2017 school year

Kendall Morris



Kendall is a tristate native where she grew up in New Harmony, Indiana and attended high school. She is currently enrolled as a senior at the University of Southern Indiana where she majors in Nursing. Kendall enjoys being involved in her community such as being the membership director of Indiana Association of Nursing Students and attending church at the Light House Assembly of God. Kendall currently works at Deaconess Hospital as a Student Nurse Academy Extern and a Patient Care Technician on the Medical Renal Care Center. She is immensely looking forward to continuing her journey and nursing career at Deaconess Hospital when she graduates in the spring.

Jenae Gries



Jenae is a nursing student at USI and will be a senior in the fall. She is a graduate from Mater Dei High School here in Evansville. At USI, Jenae is a member of the USI Dance Marathon Committee that raises thousands of dollars for Riley Hospital for Children each year. She is also very involved in her church and plans to travel on medical mission trips in the future. Jenae currently works at Deaconess's Women's Hospital on the Labor and Delivery unit and is an extern in Deaconess's Student Nurse Academy on the Surgical Medical Care Center. She is excited to continue her nursing career at Deaconess when she graduates in May of 2017.

Nicole Simmons



Nicole is a student at UE, and was born and raised in Evansville, Indiana. Prior to college, she attended Signature High School. Both schools have been known for their academics, so she has been able to fully embrace her love for knowledge at these rigorous schools. Nicole has been an Academy Student Nurse and Patient Care Technician at Deaconess for two years in the Medical Renal Care Center. She looks forward to graduating and working at Deaconess for many years.

Abigail Yeager



Abigail Yeager is a nursing student studying at the University of Southern Indiana. She has been working as an Academy Student Nurse for Deaconess since 2015 and is currently working on the Pediatric unit at Deaconess Gateway. Abigail is expected to graduate from USI in May 2017 with her Bachelor's of Science Nursing degree. Abigail plans to later continue her education with a master's degree in nursing. Abigail currently lives in Evansville and plans to stay in the area upon graduation.

Kylie Heckard



Kylie is in the accelerated nursing program at USI. She works as an Academy Student Nurse and a Patient Care Technician in the Neuro ICU at Gateway and plans to work there after she graduates in December. Kylie's mom is a nurse in pain management and her dad is telecom engineer in the information services department here at Deaconess. Kylie was also born at Deaconess.