

WKU BSN KANS

Newsletter Fall 2019



Need to Know Info: WHAT IS KANS?

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Based on WKU BSN KANS Bylaws

- The **National Student Nursing Association (NSNA)** is YOUR **national** pre-professional nursing organization. - <http://www.nsna.org/>
- The **Kentucky Association of Nursing Students (KANS)** is the **state** level group.
<https://www.facebook.com/KentuckyAssociationOfNursingStudents/>
- And **WKU BSN KANS** is our **local** chapter.
We are student led & student focused with faculty support.

KANS/NSNA MEMBERSHIP:

NSNA membership, which includes State KANS membership is encouraged (but not required) for all students. Join online at:
<http://www.nsna.org/Membership/StudentMembership.aspx>
Membership is \$35/year. To run for office or be a class representative in WKU KANS students must be members of NSNA. Students may participate in WKU BSN KANS meetings and service events without being a member; however, **NSNA/KANS membership can only be listed on your resume if you officially join and pay dues.**

KANS Requirements are as follows:

- 1st semester students** – must attend one KANS meeting per semester **AND** participate in one KANS service event. Submit service event form in Fundamentals of Nursing Lab/Clinical as directed by clinical faculty.
- 2nd semester** – must participate in at least one service event per semester, submit service event form in Med Surg I clinical as directed by faculty – there is no meeting attendance requirement but meeting topics will be very informative & meetings can be listed on student's resume.
- 3rd semester** – must participate in at least one service event per semester, submit service event form in Med Surg II clinical as directed by faculty – there is no meeting attendance requirement but meetings topic will be very informative & meetings can be listed on student's resume.
- 4th semester** – requirements met in class

These minimal participation requirements are mandatory to meet the BSN program goals of encouraging service and professionalism. But why just do the minimum? We encourage you to participate in any & all KANS opportunities for further self-development.

Participation looks great on your resume! You can use WKU's SEAT (Student Engagement Transcript) <http://wku.edu/academicaffairs/ee/seat.php> to keep an online record of your participation. As you get ready to apply for jobs, internships, etc. you have will this info to transfer to your resume.

***Note:** KANS requirements are waived for students repeating a class during the semester they are repeating.

MEETINGS:

Meetings provide you with information about nursing careers & professional issues. At least 3 meetings will be held each semester and will include chapter business and speakers.

SERVICE EVENTS:

Service events give you a chance to get involved with medical and health events in the community.

To receive KANS Service Event credit the nursing student must:

- A) complete a KANS Service Event activity that is either:
 - 1) an official event sent out by a KANS representative OR
 - 2) an independent event that the student finds on their own meeting the following criteria:
 - a. must be at least 2-3 hours of community service
 - b. must be pre-approved by their faculty member in the class in which the service requirement is due
 - c. preferably would have a medical focus
- B) complete the WKU BSN KANS **Service Event Form** and get it signed by an event representative.
This form can be found on Blackboard under Organizations: "BSN Orientation" or "BSN Prelicensure Student" under "KANS" tab.

See class syllabi for more info. Some classes have a folder on Bb for you to submit service event form.

This form does NOT go to Ms. Hanson.

It is the **YOUR** responsibility to select an event, sign up as directed, and submit a WKU BSN KANS service event form.

KANS Board of Directors:

Please see the KANS Bylaws posted on the "BSN Orientation" & "BSN Prelicensure Student Info" Bb sites under KANS tab for info. on KANS Officer & Board Members responsibilities, election, etc. Each nursing

semester will have KANS board members to keep their classmates informed about what's going on with KANS.

MORE INFO: For questions about WKU BSN KANS Contact KANS officers, reps, or faculty advisors.



Stay connected on Facebook



WKU BSN KANS posts info on the "WKU School of Nursing" Facebook page. Follow us to hear all about KANS and to stay up to date on School of Nursing events etc. When you are an Alumni you will still be able to know what's going on at your alma mater and come to events with us!



Press this image to take you directly
to our Facebook Page

Order KANS Apparel



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KANS events:

Click KANS tab on “BSN Orientation” or “BSN Prelicensure Student” then look under “KANS Service Events” for upcoming events or find your own event (see page 1 or review Service Event Form also on Blackboard.

WKU BSN KANS uses SignUp.com to organize many of our activities. Most (but not all) of our events are on this site. Here’s how it works in 3 easy steps:

1) Click this link to see WKU KANS activity signups on SignUp:

<https://signup.com/Group/1038065500066/>

2) Review the activities listed and choose the one(s) you like.

3) Sign up! It's Easy!

Check out this video tutorial on how to use [SignUp.com](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XUFby8xIKTI&feature=youtu.be):

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KANS Meetings:

We hope to see you at all meetings!

NOTE: Socializing and snacks start 15 min prior to meetings. Great info! Topics picked by students!

Please RSVP on SignUp: <https://signup.com/Group/1038065500066/>

Meeting 1 Topic: **New Graduate Panel**

Date: Wednesday, September 18th 3:30pm-5:00pm @ SON bldg. 1104

*This meeting will be organized by Tori Walker and Ari Cherry

Meeting 2 Topic: **Success in Nursing School**

Date: Tuesday October 22nd 3:30pm-5:00pm @ SON bldg. 1104

*This meeting will be organized by Alysha Crowder and Mikole Preston

Meeting 3 Topic: **Careers in Nursing**

Date: Tuesday, April 16th 3:30pm-5:00pm @ SON bldg. 1104

- St. Thomas open heart circulating nurse, ICU nurse, Flight Nurse

*This meeting will be organized by Baylee Meyer and Liz Watkins

