

## Bachelor of Science in Nursing | Spring 2026

DAY 1: Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2026 | USG, Building II, Multipurpose Room

Emcee: **Nicole E. Smith**, *Assistant Professor and Co-Director, Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Program*

Time	Event
8:30 – 9 a.m.	<b>CHECK-IN AND BREAKFAST</b>
9 – 9:15 a.m.	<b>WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS</b> <i>Laura El Shafei, Director, Office of Academic and Career Success</i>
9:15 – 11 a.m.	<b>COMMUNITY: FINDING AND CREATING BELONGING AT UMSON</b> <i>Yvette Conyers, Assistant Professor and Associate Dean for Strategic Engagement and Impact</i> <i>Onyi Esochaghi, Manager, Strategic Engagement and Impact</i>
11 – 11:45 a.m.	<b>TECHNOLOGY TOOLS</b> Computing Requirements, ExamSoft, Blackboard, Technology Support <i>Angela Staten, Senior Instructional Technology Specialist</i>
11:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.	<b>LUNCH AND RESOURCE FAIR WITH UMSON PARTNERS</b>
1:30 – 3:30 p.m.	<b>PROFESSIONALISM IN NURSING</b> <i>Marisa Astiz-Martinez, Clinical Instructor</i> <i>Pam L. Shumate, Assistant Professor</i> <i>Rebecca Weston, Assistant Professor</i>
3:30 – 3:45 p.m.	<b>NCLEX PREPARATION AND SUCCESS</b> <i>DeNiece Bennett, Assistant Professor and Director, NCLEX Success Program</i>
3:45 – 4 p.m.	<b>CLOSING REMARKS</b> <i>Nicole E. Smith</i>
4 – 4:15 p.m.	<b>UNIFORM DISTRIBUTION</b>

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DAY 2: Wednesday, Jan. 7, 2026 | USG, Building II, Multipurpose Room

Emcee: Nicole E. Smith

Time	Event
8:30 – 9 a.m.	CHECK-IN, BREAKFAST, AND SCRUB JACKET DISTRIBUTION
9 – 9:15 a.m.	OPENING REMARKS Nicole E. Smith
9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP Katie McElroy, Associate Professor and Associate Dean for the Baccalaureate Program Pam L. Shumate, Assistant Professor Rebecca Weston, Assistant Professor
10:15 – 10:25 a.m.	BREAK
10:25 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	COURSE AND FACULTY INTRODUCTIONS Jana Goodwin, Assistant Professor and Chair, UMSON at the Universities at Shady Grove (NURS 342 Course Director) Rhea Freeman-Williams, Assistant Professor (NURS 344 Course Director) Mary Pat Ulicny, Clinical Instructor (NURS 346 Course Director) Tolvalyn Dennison, Clinical Instructor (NURS 347 Course Director) Pat Schaefer, Assistant Professor and Director, Clinical Simulation Lab at USG - Lab; Denise Owens, Assistant Professor – Acute Care Clinical; and Crystal DeVance-Wilson, Assistant Professor and Vice Chair, UMSON at the Universities at Shady Grove – Community/Population Health Clinical (NURS 349 Course Directors)
12:30 – 1:30 p.m.	LUNCH
1:30 – 2:30 p.m.	ALUMNI PANEL DISCUSSION Moderator: Nicole E. Smith
2:30 – 3 p.m.	CLOSING AND EVALUATIONS Nicole E. Smith
3 – 3:30 p.m.	PRE-WELCOME CEREMONY LINE-UP
3:30 – 4:30 p.m.	WELCOME CEREMONY Reception to follow Please gather, as directed, after the ceremony for the group photo.

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