

MEET A STUDENT: STEPHANIE CHAPMAN '09

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Stephanie Chapman '09 says that she knew in high school that she wanted to be a nurse. "A lot of my family members are LNAs, I used to hear their stories," she says. A career planning program at her high school identified nursing as a good career fit for her—she started doing more research and soon she was hooked. She took a vocational class her junior and senior years in high school and earned her LNA good preparation for her Nursing Fundamentals class at Rivier.

Stephanie says she loves working with the SIM Family and other mannequins in Rivier's nursing labs. "I'm more confident practicing a Foley catheter on a mannequin than trying it for the first time on a real patient," she says. The simulators also offer students the opportunity to deal with situations they may not experience during their clinical rotations, such as responding to a code. "We get to be the ones behind closed doors, pushing IVs, checking EKGs, doing compressions," Stephanie says.

She says that the nurses she's dealt with during her clinical rotations have all been great. "They want to teach us," she says.

Stephanie believes she definitely found the right fit at Rivier. Now, as an Admissions Ambassador, she answers questions from prospective students and their families about life at Rivier. "The school's got a lot to offer," she says. ■

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