RIVIER-ST. JOSEPH NURSING HONOR SOCIETY

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The purpose of the Rivier-St. Joseph Nursing Honor Society is:

- 1. to recognize superior achievement;
- 2. to recognize the development of leadership qualities;
- 3. to foster high professional standards;
- 4. to encourage creative work;
- 5. to strengthen commitment on the part of individuals to the ideals and purposes of the profession.

Candidates for membership shall have demonstrated superior scholastic achievement and evidence of professional leadership potential. Undergraduate members are selected from junior and senior students and student membership is restricted to the upper one-third of a class.

Twenty undergraduate students of which eleven Rivier Scholars qualified for membership in the Nursing Honor Society this Spring:

Brittany Centuaro
Chantelle Drake
Jennifer Forsythe
Jillian Hatch
Christine Leduc
Kathleen McCaughey
Lindsay Paciello
Ashley Thoren
Jennifer McDowell
Kirstie Miller
Janine Tranfa

The Rivier-St. Joseph Nursing Honor Society held its Induction Ceremony Saturday, April 18, 2009. ■

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