Founded in 1909 and recognized as the first nursing program established within a university, the University of Minnesota School of Nursing continues to lead the profession into the future.

With a mission to generate knowledge and prepare nurse leaders who create, lead and participate in holistic efforts to improve the health of all people, the school and its research are addressing health issues across the life span with a focus on health promotion among vulnerable populations, prevention and management of chronic health conditions, symptom management, and health/nursing informatics and systems innovation.

The school is ranked among the top programs in nursing informatics and is internationally renowned for its efforts to improve health and health care through the use of big data.

The school has a combined undergraduate and graduate enrollment of approximately 1,184 students. Discover more at www.nursing.umn.edu.

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Minnesota, hail to thee!
Hail to thee, our state so dear,
Thy light shall ever be
A beacon bright and clear.
Thy sons and daughters true
Will proclaim thee near and far,
They shall guard thy fame and adore thy name;
Thou shalt be their Northern Star.

Music: Truman E. Rickard, 1904
Words: Truman E. Rickard and Arthur E. Upson, 1905
Susan Hassmiller, PhD, RN, FAAN, serves as the senior scholar-in-residence and senior adviser to the president on nursing at the National Academy of Medicine. In this role, she serves as a key member of the leadership team for the Future of Nursing 2030 report. Hassmiller is also the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation senior adviser for nursing, and in partnership with AARP, she directs the Foundation’s Future of Nursing: Campaign for Action. This 50-state and District of Columbia effort strives to implement the recommendations of the Institute of Medicine’s report Future of Nursing: Leading Change, Advancing Health and will additionally seek to build a Culture of Health. Hassmiller served as the report’s study director.

Hassmiller’s work has included service in public health settings at the local, state and national levels, including HRSA. She taught community health nursing at the University of Nebraska and George Mason University in Virginia.

Hassmiller is a member of the National Academy of Medicine (formerly the Institute of Medicine), a fellow in the American Academy of Nursing and sits on other advisory committees and boards, including the Hackensack Meridian Health System, UnitedHealth, Carrier Clinic and the American Red Cross. She is the recipient of many awards and three honorary doctorates, but most notably the Florence Nightingale Medal, the highest international honor given to a nurse by the International Committee of the Red Cross.
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**ACADEMIC DRESS**

The academic regalia worn today originated in the Middle Ages, when gowns and hoods kept scholars and clerics warm. The distinctive gown served to set the student apart from fellow citizens, giving birth to the expression, “town and gown.”

Baccalaureate degree gowns are made of worsted material with pointed sleeves, master’s gowns of silk with long, closed sleeves, and doctoral gowns of silk with longer sleeves, faced with black velvet from hem to neck and back. The doctoral gowns also have three velvet bands around each sleeve above the elbow.

Hoods are made of the same materials as the gowns, the length varying with the degree. The colors of the hood’s lining identify the university where the degree was earned; the border indicates the academic discipline.

**Commencement Music**

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