

2025-2026 NURSING

# VIEWBOOK



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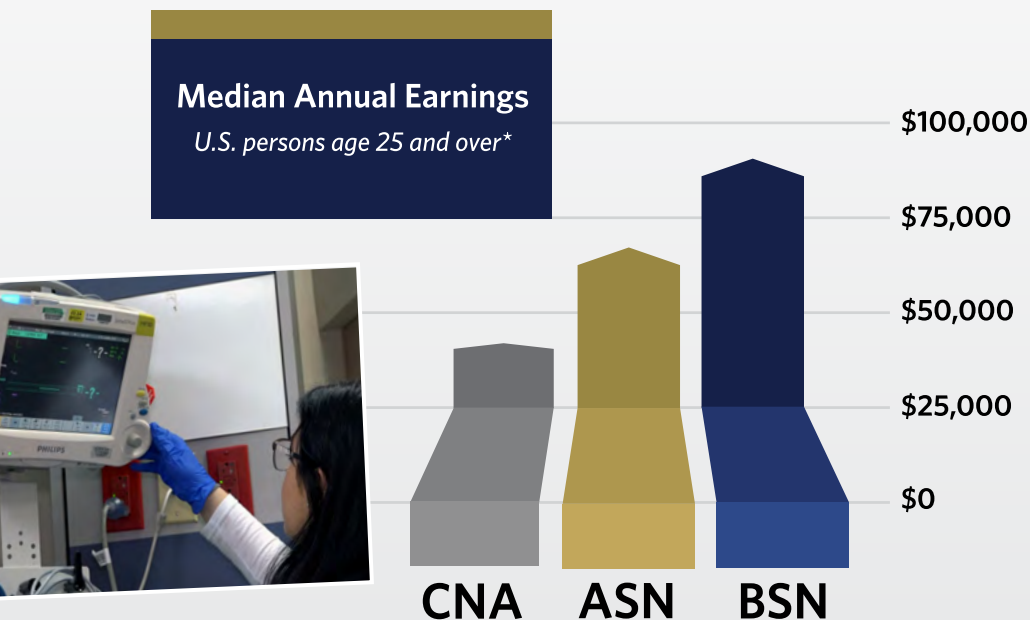
# **Advance your nursing career** **with a Bachelor of Science Degree** *from Thiel College*

Nursing is a challenging, secure, and rewarding field with diverse opportunities for growth across clinical and community settings, from hospital ICUs to school health offices. As a nurse, you can truly impact patients, families, and communities.

By enrolling in the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program at Thiel College, you'll gain the skills and knowledge needed to thrive in the modern healthcare landscape, and make a meaningful difference in the lives of others.

## **Pursue your passion and reach new heights in your career.**

Nurses typically fall into three categories: non-degree nurses, such as certified nursing assistants (CNAs) and licensed practical nurses (LPNs), who complete focused training programs; degree nurses, who hold undergraduate qualifications like an Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) or a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN); and advanced degree nurses, who have pursued further education to earn graduate degrees in nursing.



\*\* U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (September 2023)



# Welcome to Nursing at Thiel College

We appreciate your interest in Thiel. As demand for healthcare rises, so does the competition for qualified nurses. Our BSN degree program will challenge you, stimulate you, and help you create the future you want.

## Why you should earn your degree at Thiel:

- Annual earnings can more than double for U.S. nurses with a BSN.
- Experiential learning engages students in hands-on experiences to connect theories and knowledge learned in the classroom to real-world situations.
- When Thiel invests in faculty and facilities, we invest in you. More than \$50 million has been invested in recent construction and renovation projects, including the new nursing suite and simulation lab, Haer Family Science and Arts Connector, Physician Assistant Wing, Speech-Language Pathology Clinic, Rhodehouse Science Building, tennis courts, student housing, and more major investments are scheduled in the academic and athletic facilities.
- Access to top employers. Thiel alumni are employed by Cleveland Clinic, Eli Lilly, General Nutrition Centers (GNC), Meadville Medical Center, Pittsburgh Steelers, Primary Health Network, Children's Hospital, Walt Disney World, and many more.

Thiel students, faculty, and staff are dedicated to cultivating a supportive, diverse, and welcoming experience. Our Community provides unique academic and professional perspectives that will add value to your degree and help strengthen your impact on the world so that you graduate with the confidence and experience needed to be a highly sought-after candidate in your field.

I look forward to meeting you when you visit campus.

Tomcat Proud!



**Nicole K. Olshanski, D.N.P.**

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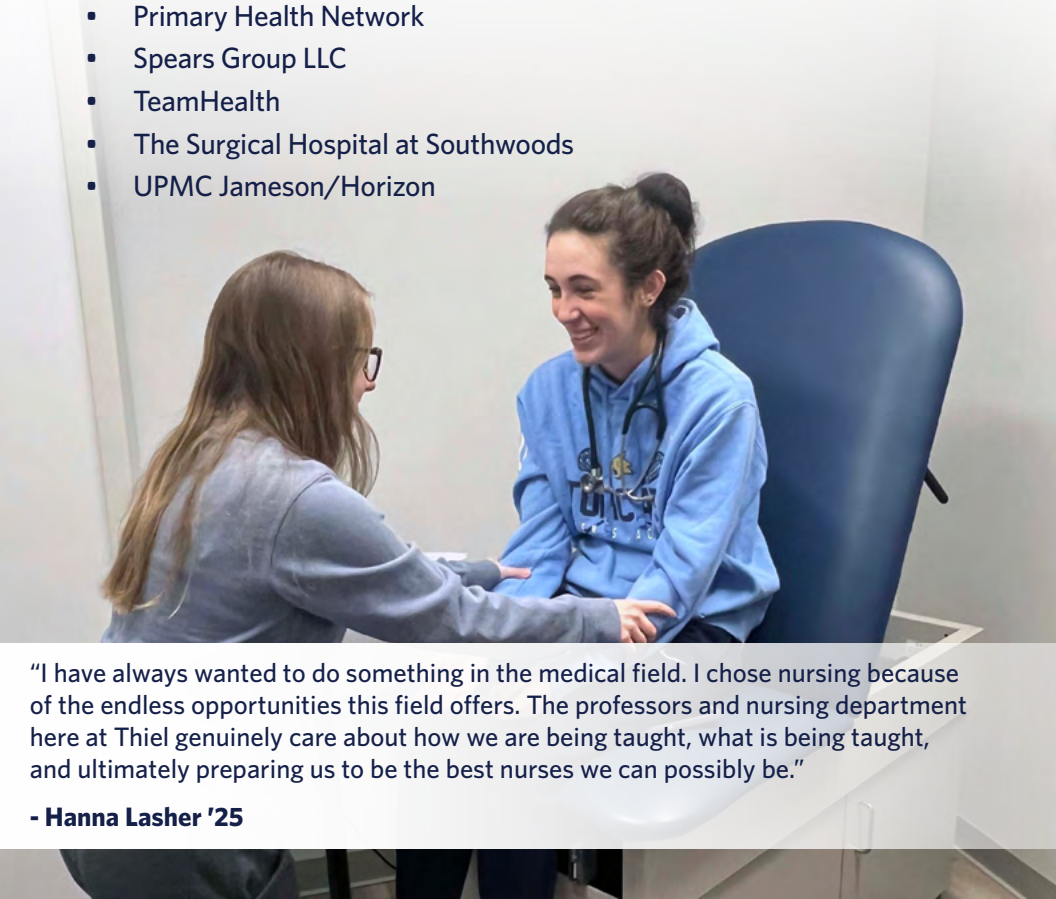
# *The advantages you need—* **The resources to get you hired**

Earning a degree from Thiel is the best investment you'll ever make. We invite you to learn more about nursing and your career aspirations. When your passion meets our expertise, there's no limit to what you can accomplish.

## **GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL SUCCESS**

A **Thiel Graduate Outcomes Report** showed nursing students have established careers at leading health care facilities such as:

- Duke University Health System
- Encompass Home Health & Hospice
- Kelsey-Seybold Clinic
- New Hanover Regional Medical Center
- Primary Health Network
- Spears Group LLC
- TeamHealth
- The Surgical Hospital at Southwoods
- UPMC Jameson/Horizon



"I have always wanted to do something in the medical field. I chose nursing because of the endless opportunities this field offers. The professors and nursing department here at Thiel genuinely care about how we are being taught, what is being taught, and ultimately preparing us to be the best nurses we can possibly be."

**- Hanna Lasher '25**

# Supporting **YOUR SUCCESS**



*Our newly renovated (on campus) 103,000 sq. ft. home provides the advanced technology and collaborative spaces needed to shape you into a sought-after leader with an exceptional skill set. Our new, state-of-the-art simulation lab mimics clinical settings to help students develop hands-on clinical skills and apply critical thinking.*

## **STUDENT SUCCESS IS AT THE CENTER OF EVERYTHING WE DO.**

Our professors are clinical experts and world-class teachers who have led distinguished careers in practice and research. They've also walked in your shoes, taken your classes and faced your challenges. You'll find them helpful, approachable and dedicated to getting you where you want to go. You'll also find numerous other campus resources for your professional and personal growth.

As a Thiel BSN student, you will gain conceptual knowledge and apply it through hands-on experiences in simulation labs and real-world care settings. All along the way, you'll be guided by world-class faculty and clinical experts.

## **ACADEMICS WITH IMPACT**

- Small classes
- Engaged faculty
- Faculty-mentored research that allows you to present and publish regionally and nationally
- Accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) and the Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing
- Evening seminars focused on personal, academic & professional development
- Clinical immersion experiences provide hands-on patient care in local hospitals and community facilities such as:
  - Meadville Medical Center
  - St. Elizabeth, Boardman
  - St. Elizabeth, Warren
  - St. Elizabeth, Youngstown
  - St. Paul's Senior Living Care
  - UPMC

## **EXPERIENCES BEYOND THE BOOKS**

- Thiel Nursing Club
- Peer and faculty mentoring
- Study abroad
- Local and regional clinical rotations
- Professional recommendation and job reference assistance
- Networking and alumni support
- Field excursions include:
  - International mission trips to provide local medical outreach
  - Association of Women's Health Obstetrics and Neonatal Nurses Ohio State Conference
  - Student Nurses' Association of Pennsylvania David R. Ranck LEAD Workshop
  - Amish Birth Center Tour
  - STAT MedEvac Tour

## **LEARN ABOUT NURSING AT THIEL AND CAMPUS LIFE**

- BSN Major Discovery Day
- Tomcat Visit Day
- Thiel College new student orientation and the Tomcat Way
- Virtual Information Sessions

## **FINANCIAL**

- Free laptop program
- Scholarship & Leadership scholarship competitions (*for accepted students*)
- Generous Scholarships and Financial Aid Programs
- Thiel College Financial Aid Office

## RESOURCES

- Accessibility Resource Center
- Athletics, recreation, and wellness facilities
- Career Development Center
- Counseling and Wellness
- Faculty and Peer Mentors
- Networking Opportunities
- Solution Center and Technology Services
- The Learning Commons (*academic coaching, writing center, peer-led learning*)

## IT'S WHO YOU KNOW

Thiel's alumni network is 15,000+ strong with almost 45% living in the NW PA area. You can connect with them through professional and networking events throughout the year via the Career Center, your department, or the Office of Alumni Relations.

Once you're an alum yourself, take advantage of free lifetime benefits, such as career planning, advising, and other alumni services and support. These resources can aid in career transitions and job searches throughout your professional career.



"The BSN program has been pivotal in my personal development and growth as a student and has helped me develop integral skills in networking, time management and perseverance. I'm grateful for my time working with wonderful professors and mentors who encouraged me and helped me achieve my goals."

- Jacob Potts '27

# More than Academics



A well-rounded student experience is available for you.

## Trips and campus events are free to all Thiel students

### Athletics, Recreation & Wellness

- 100+ teams, organizations, and clubs
- 24 Division III athletic teams
- Intramurals
- Student Clinic
- Counseling Center

### Howard Miller Student Center

- Bistro
- Campus Café
- Campus Store
- Weyers-Sampson Art Gallery
- Career Center

### Working for You

- Student Council
- Off-campus Student Services

### Campus Life

- Residence Life & Housing
- Student Activities
- Culture and Belonging
- International Student Affairs
- Spiritual Life
- Military & Veteran Affairs

### Paul Bush '66 Memorial Fitness Center



Where SO MUCH is SO CLOSE

Only a short drive away, there's so much for you to see — and it's all over the map... literally.



**100+**  
Parks, Trails,  
Lakes & Rivers



**5**  
Auto Racing  
Tracks



**3**  
Outlet Malls



**3**  
Amusement  
Parks



**4**  
International  
& Regional  
Airports



**30+**  
Museums &  
Performing  
Arts Centers



**4**  
Bustling  
Cities



**7**  
Professional  
Sports Teams

## **BE PREPARED FOR ANYTHING IN OUR LEARNING AND SIMULATION CENTER**

High-tech simulation training is an important part of your nursing education. You'll have access to the latest learning technologies to practice basic and advanced patient care skills within a safe, controlled environment.

## **ALL THE RESOURCES YOU NEED**

The simulation lab features a phototherapy unit and incubator, medication and emergency carts, anatomical models, simulators, wall diagnostics and modern medical equipment to support your clinical learning needs.

## **BENEFIT FROM INDIVIDUAL FEEDBACK AND GUIDANCE**

Video recording and sophisticated playback capabilities in the lab enable faculty to provide valuable evaluation, insight and coaching for students.

## **GAIN CONFIDENCE USING REAL-LIFE SCENARIOS**

Practice responding to emergency situations such as cardiac arrests, and develop your decision-making, teamwork, communication and leadership skills in our simulation center. For maximum realism, audio recordings and special "short throw" video projectors are used to recreate the visual.

## **DIAGNOSE AND ADMINISTER TREATMENT**

You'll apply dressings to a manikin's wounds and perform injections, catheterizations and irrigations, as well as practice defibrillation. Students work with a variety of patient simulators, including neonatal and birthing mannequins, which show symptoms, communicate and respond to care.

## **STATE-OF-THE-ART TECHNOLOGY**

Through an immersive, augmented reality simulation, students listen to heart sounds while viewing what is going on inside the body. Use of the technology is threaded throughout the BSN curriculum, including in-lab, in-classroom and student self-use.

## THIEL COLLEGE

Thiel College is located on a 135-acre, tree-lined campus in Greenville, Pa., in the heart of western Pennsylvania's hill country. Only 90 minutes from Pittsburgh, Cleveland and Erie—Thiel has easy access to metropolitan resources. Thiel was founded in 1866 and is rooted in the Lutheran tradition.

## HOW TO APPLY


The BSN program at Thiel College seeks students with a minimum 3.0 high school GPA and a record of pursuing co-curricular and academic challenges. Qualified applicants to Thiel College will receive an acceptance letter from the Admissions Department and a from the Nursing Program Director.

- No fee to apply
- Applications are accepted year-round
- High School seniors are encouraged to apply by March 1 for Priority Scholarship consideration

### To apply to Thiel College:

<https://www.thiel.edu/admissions/apply-online>.

On the application, indicate an interest in the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program.



"I played volleyball at Thiel, and the professors and coaches made it easy to balance sports and academics. I am confident that Thiel is setting me up for success for my career in nursing. After graduation, I plan to work in critical care, specifically in an ICU. I'm drawn to the fast-paced environment and the opportunity to apply critical thinking skills. I also look forward to working closely with a healthcare team to provide the best possible care for critically ill patients."

**- Kaitlyn Stamp '25**



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