

**Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing**  
**Florida Atlantic University**  
**Clinical Excellence Award**

This award is presented to a student at each level in the College of Nursing: Pre-licensure, RN-BSN, Master's, and Doctoral.

The **Clinical Excellence Award** is presented by the faculty to a student who best exemplifies living caring in nursing situations. Clinical excellence is demonstrated through practice grounded in caring. Examples of living the philosophy of the College of Nursing in nursing practice situations may include the following:

**Competence:** Brings in-depth knowledge of the science and art of nursing to nursing situations. Prepares for clinical by researching empirical knowledge necessary to understand the nursing situation and integrates all ways of knowing into practice. Reflects on practice, is open to learning and growth, and shares nursing situations with other students. Is competent with technical skills as well as caring behaviors.

**Compassion:** Willingness to enter the patient's world, being sensitive to the other, demonstrating authentic presence with persons nursed.

**Conscience:** Demonstrates personal and professional advocacy and practices from the framework of moral justice.

**Commitment:** Exhibits a desire to be with persons nursed, brings energy and joy to practice.

**Confidence:** Inspires trust through competence and preparation.

**Comportment:** Professional bearing or demeanor expressed through behavior and