



Dear Students:

I am very pleased to announce that the Advanced Education Nurse Traineeship grant was awarded to Southeastern Louisiana University by the United States Health Resources and Services Administration for the 2016 – 2017 project-period. This program aims to provide financial support for graduate nursing students enrolled at Southeastern to increase the supply of advanced practice Nurse Practitioners (NP) who will provide primary care in designated health professional shortage areas (HPSA) and medically underserved communities (MUC).

The traineeship awards will support NP students admitted to the Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) & DNP programs with regular admission status. Priority is given to students who are engaged in either **full- time study** or **part-time study within 12 months of graduation**. Recruitment efforts will target members of underrepresented groups, veterans and other qualified nurses interested in advanced practice as NPs. Award amounts are determined by the total funds available and the number of awards made. There is no payback requirement for award funds but award recipients will be asked to declare a commitment to training and working in areas designated as HPSA and MUC.

Students accepted to the Family Nurse Practitioner and the Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner concentrations of the MSN & DNP programs are encouraged to apply. For more information, contact the Graduate Nursing Office at (985) 549-5045, or by email at [gradnursadmin@selu.edu](mailto:gradnursadmin@selu.edu).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'AfNena Luster-Tucker'.

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