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Davenport University Dean Awarded “Book of the Year” by the American Journal of Nursing

MICHIGAN, Jan. 30, 2014 – Dr. Karen Daley, Dean of the College of Health Professions at Davenport University, was honored with the 2013 Book of the Year Award from the American Journal of Nursing – one of the oldest and most prestigious broad-based nursing journals in the world – for co-writing the book Simulation Scenarios for Nursing Educators: Making it Real 2nd edition.

The book was published by Springer Publishing and provides a practical, step-by-step guide to designing and developing simulation scenarios and integrating them into the nursing curriculum. Drawing on very different experiences in public and private institutions, Dr. Daley and co-author Dr. Suzanne Campbell recruited authors from a variety of institutions across the U.S. to help with the book by providing nurse simulation scenarios.

Davenport is a leader in using simulation technology in education and hosts four state-of-the-art simulation labs at campuses across the state. Simulation scenarios are staged using high-fidelity simulation mannequins that mimic real-life, complete with unpredictable trauma situations ranging from heart attacks and strokes to pediatric emergencies and live births. These simulation mannequins – controlled by instructors in control booths – provide nursing students the opportunity to gain hands-on experience for the wide range of illnesses and life-threatening situations they will face in their careers.

“Utilizing Sim technology in tandem with classroom learning allows for hands-on solidification of concepts for our students,” said Dr. Daley. “Simulation mannequins are essential to the nursing curriculum and enhance our students’ ability to transition from education to practice. Excellence in nursing is not just a goal; it is a journey. Simulation can help take you there.”

About Davenport University
Founded in 1866, Davenport is a private, non-profit university serving nearly 10,000 students at campuses across Michigan and online. With tuition among the lowest of all private universities in the state, Davenport provides high academic quality, small class sizes, conveniently located campuses, faculty with real-world experience and more than 50 dynamic undergraduate and graduate programs

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