

## The University of New Hampshire Becomes Watson Caring Science Institute's Newest Academic Affiliate

Boulder, CO - July 2022 - <u>Watson Caring Science Institute</u> (WCSI) and <u>Dr. Jean Watson</u> are proud to announce that the <u>University of New Hampshire</u>, <u>New Hampshire</u> has been named the latest <u>National Caring Science Academic Affiliate System</u> of WCSI. The designation recognizes the University of New Hampshire's (UNH) exemplary integration of Human Caring Theory and leadership commitment to offering informed Caring Science practices to their students, families, and communities.



Cathleen C. Colleran DNP, RN, Clinical Associate Professor & DNP Program Director at the University of New Hampshire said, "UNH Nursing is very excited to begin our affiliation as a Caring Science educational institution. Our faculty, staff, and students will greatly benefit from all that WCSI offers to enhance our implementation of Caring science in our classrooms and daily lives. Our communities and our patients

will greatly benefit from this opportunity".



Jean Watson, Director and Founder of WCSI said, "I am honored and delighted to formalize the invitation for UNH to be nationally recognized and identified as one of our Academic Affiliates. It will be a privilege to have their program join others pioneering the future for nursing education for a new era upon us all".

To become a National Caring Science Academic Affiliate System, the University of New Hampshire has demonstrated to WCSI the authentically, deep-rooted, and sustainable



commitment to integrating Caring Science to transform and broaden whole-person health and healing for all.

## **About the University of New Hampshire, New Hampshire**



The <u>University of New Hampshire (UNH)</u> is a public land-grant research university with its main campus in Durham, New Hampshire. It was founded and incorporated in 1866 as a land grant college in Hanover in connection with Dartmouth College, moved to Durham in 1893, and adopted its current name in 1923. The university is part of the University System of New Hampshire and is classified among "R1:

Doctoral Universities". As of 2018, its combined campuses made UNH the largest state university system in the state of New Hampshire, with over 15,000 students. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.unh.edu/">https://www.unh.edu/</a>.

## **About Watson Caring Science Institute**



The Watson Caring Science Institute (WCSI) is an international non-profit organization that advances the philosophies, theories, and practices of Human Caring/Caring Science. It was founded by Jean Watson, Ph.D., RN, AHN-BC, FAAN, LL (AAN) who serves as founder and director. Focusing on research, education, praxis, leadership, and legacy, the institute

aims to widen the development and understanding of Watson's Caring Science to inform our notion of quality care and healing environments. Currently, there are over 400 hospitals throughout the USA with many other partner healthcare systems globally using Watson's Caring Science and Human Caring Theory. There are now over 400 trained practitioner leaders or 'Caritas Coaches®' worldwide. Texts on Watson's theory of caring are taught in universities worldwide and translated into over seven languages. To become a National Caring Science System™ of WCSI, an organization must demonstrate specific criteria related to authentic human caring-healing practices for its whole community. For more information, please visit watsoncaringscience.org.



## **About Jean Watson**

Dr. Jean Watson, Ph.D., RN, AHN-BC, FAAN, LL (AAN) is a Distinguished Professor Emerita and Dean Emerita of the University of Colorado Denver, College of Nursing, where she held the Endowed Chair in Caring Science at the University of Colorado, Denver and Health Sciences Center. She is the founder of the original Center for Human Caring in Colorado and an American Academy of Nursing Fellow. Watson also is the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including the National Fetzer Institute Norman Cousins Award, an International Kellogg Fellowship in Australia, a Fulbright Research and Lecture Award in Sweden, and six internationals. She held the nation's first endowed chair in Caring Science for 16 years; holds sixteen (16) Honorary Doctoral Degrees, including thirteen (13) International Honorary Doctorates; Her work is studied and implemented worldwide. She is a widely published author and recipient of many awards and honors; in the Science of Human Caring™, including the classic: Nursing: The Philosophy and Science of Caring which identifies the 10 Core Caritas Processes®, universals of human caring, necessary for studying and implementing a model of Caring Science in practice. This work restores the deep-spiritual dimensions of Love with caring-healing as the foundation for preparing a new level of practitioners in Caring Science/Caring HealthCare. In October 2013, Dr. Watson was inducted as a Living *Legend* by the American Academy of Nursing, its highest honor.

**Primary Field:** Philosophy - Theory of Human Caring Nursing; Unitary Human Caring Science

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