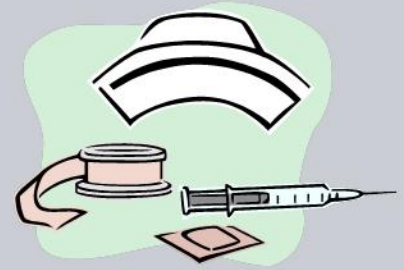


# Alumni Spotlight

## VANESSA PACKARD

**How did the Honors Program help prepare you for success?**

The hHonors Program helped me prepare for my success by challenging my intellect and providing me with the support I needed in order to continue my academic growth on both a personal and professional level.



**What have you been doing since Graduation?**

Since graduation, I passed my NCLEX and have been working full time as a RN at Metro Health Hospital.

**Do you have any advice for current Honors or Scholars students?**

My advice for current honors or scholars students is to take advantage of whatever opportunities that come your way, even if they may be outside of your comfort zone.



**Where do you see yourself in 5 years?**

In five years, I can see myself completing my masters in the Science of Nursing either as an education or as a Nurse Practitioner.

**Do you think that attending CSU helped prepare you for the real world as a nurse?**

I do think that attending CSU did prepare me for the real world as a nurse. The nursing program, though very challenging, is excellent and really was able to prepare me for my career as an RN.

**What is your dream job?**

I am currently living my dream job! I always wanted to be a nurse, and now I get to do it everyday.

Vanessa Packard, Class of 2012, Nursing, Sigma