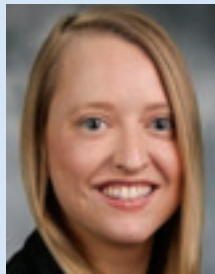


## Accomplishments & Honors



Blumig



Bazzell



Nikpour

### ■ Blumig Joins Alumni Development Team

**Sarah Blumig** joined DUSON as Director of Annual Giving and the Bessie Baker Society. Prior to coming to Duke, Blumig served as Assistant Director of Annual Giving at Fordham University School of Law where she managed the school's leadership annual giving society. Previously, she was Senior Development Associate at Georgetown University. Blumig is a graduate of Gettysburg College.

### ■ PhD Students Bazzell and Nikpour Receive Future of Nursing Scholars Grant

PhD students **Angela Bazzell** and **Jacqueline Nikpour** are recipients of the 2018 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) Future of Nursing Scholar at Johnson & Johnson grant supporting their research in the PhD program.

Bazzell's research interests focus on factors influencing adherence to cancer treatment guidelines and their relation to quality of life and overall survival in cancer patients.

Nikpour's research interests span health policy and community health initiatives, such as the effects of APRN scope of practice on chronic disease management, expanded

roles of school nurses and community-based health promotion interventions.

Bazzell and Nikpour each received \$125,000 in financial support in addition to mentoring and leadership development with the commitment to complete the PhD program in three years. The Future of Nursing Scholars program is part of the RWJF's Leadership for Better Health theme aiming to ensure that the nation has a diverse, well-trained leadership and workforce to build a culture of health across the nation.

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Recognizing that nursing research is a key driver in delivering quality, effective health care, Marion E. Broome, dean of Duke University School of Nursing, and A. Eugene Washington, Duke University's chancellor for health affairs, have established a new challenge aimed at raising \$2 million for nursing research at Duke.

Through the *Challenge for Investment*, Broome and Washington hope to accelerate translational nursing research within the School of Nursing. They have set aside \$1 million to match donor contributions. With these matching funds, the *Challenge for Investment* will allow individual donors to support start-up, pilot and bridge funding that will ultimately attract additional sustained research support, doubling the value and impact of philanthropic contributions designated for School of Nursing research.

The goal of the challenge is to build a pool of \$2 million in unrestricted and targeted research funding by 2022.

For more information on how to support the *Challenge for Investment*, contact Anita Stallings at [anita.stallings@duke.edu](mailto:anita.stallings@duke.edu).