

2019 Undergraduate Nursing Pin Order Form

Purchasing a nursing pin for program completion is optional. If students wish to purchase a pin, the OHSU School of Nursing has a preferred vendor based in downtown Portland called Klein Jewelers. Complete the form and send directly to Klein Jewelers.

Full Name of Student: _____

Campus (check campus):

___ Portland ___ RN/BS ___ Monmouth ___ Ashland ___ Klamath Falls ___ La Grande

Graduation Term and year (check one) ___ 2019 spring ___ 2019 summer ___ 2019 fall

ATTN RNBS students ~ Your purchased nursing pin will be mailed to your home address

Print initials legibly to be engraved on back of pin (optional): initials here _____

Choose your pin with X marks the spot.

24K Gold Electroplated	\$57.50	_____
10K Gold filled	\$130.00	_____
10K Solid Gold	\$180.00	_____
Add a diamond	\$25.00	_____

Total \$ \$_____

Please make check payable to: *Klein Jewelers*

OR

Visa or MasterCard Payment (Name and Address must match cardholder)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Credit Card #: _____ Exp. Date: ___ / ___ Security Code: _____

Submit your order directly to:

Klein Jewelers

511 SW Washington St.

Portland, OR 97204

Questions?

Contact Kathie at Klein Jewelers: 503-226-6748



The Origin of the Nursing Pin

The origin of the nursing pin dates back to the Middle Ages during the time of the Crusades, when certain knights who assumed responsibility for caring for the sick and wounded became known as the Knights Hospitaller or Knights of Malta.

These knights were pioneers of communicable disease care and established one of the few hospitals in the territories of their reign. The Knights Hospitaller wore armor draped with black tunics adorned with a badge or neck piece in the shape of the eight-pointed Maltese cross. The cross signified the original symbol of service representing loyalty, generosity, and helpfulness towards the poor and the sick.

Over the centuries, this symbol of service evolved into family coats of arms, embroidered badges and distinctive brooches which provided visual representation of an individual's rank, gentility and specialized service.

Just as in the Middle Ages, when the privilege of wearing the symbol or coat of arms on the tunic was limited to those who served their kings with distinction, receiving the nursing pin today is a symbol of achievement; a source of pride and a privilege earned by graduates of the OHSU undergraduate nursing program.

The pin of the OHSU School of Nursing represents several aspects of professional nursing education including the Spirit of Nursing, the Science of Nursing, and the Art of Nursing. The central motif of the pin is a replica of Florence Nightingale holding a lamp representing the Greek lamp of knowledge. Nightingale is framed by a white circle with the OHSU School of Nursing name representing the academic and clinical preparation for professional nursing. Borrowed from ancient tradition, a laurel wreath surrounds the pin as a mark of honor and a symbol of esteem. The year of the graduation is inscribed at the base of the wreath.

Receiving the pin marks the beginning of a career that demands a unique blend of science and caring, a career of compassion and respect, and a historic promise to serve others. Through the pinning ceremony, we pay homage to the highly respected profession of nursing and the special kind of graduate it takes to provide care and counsel to others.

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