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Curriculum Vitae
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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

2025	University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee	PhD Nursing
2019	Jordan University of Science and Technology	MS-Nursing Advanced Adult Health Care -Nursing
2015	Jordan University of Science and Technology	BS-Nursing

Dissertation Title: Best Practices in Performance Measures Among High-Performing Cardiac Rehabilitation Programs

Thesis Title: The Effect of a Cardiac Educational Program on the Level of Knowledge and Satisfaction among Patients with Coronary Artery Disease. Registered in Clinicaltrials.gov

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE-ACADEMIC

2026-present	Assistant Professor University of North Carolina-Greensboro (UNCG)
2025	Clinical Assistant Professor University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM)
2024-2025	Clinical Instructor University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
2023-2024	Lecturer College of Nursing, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
2021-2023	Teaching Assistant College of Nursing, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
2018-2019	Teaching Assistant College of Nursing, Jordan University of Science and Technology
2019-2018	Research Assistant College of Nursing, Jordan University of Science and Technology

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE-Clinical

- 2024- 2025 Registered Nurs
Cardiac and Telemetry Unit
Aurora Sinai Medical Centre, US Milwaukee WI
- 2016-2020 Registered Nurse
ICU/CCU, Intermediate Cardiac Unit
King Abdullah University Hospital (KAUH) Irbid, Jordan
- 2015-2016 Registered Nurse
ICU/CCU
Specialty Hospital Amman, Jordan

PUBLICATIONS:

Submitted/under review

9. Telfah, R., Ellis, J., Gopalakrishnan, S., Taani, M., Galambos, C., Lopez, A., Eyadat, A., Alshaman, A., Abusbaitan, H., Ananzeh, T., Alqam, B., **Tawalbeh, R.**, Abu Zahra, T., Faous, N. Illness perception, aging expectations, health locus of control, and medication adherence in older adults with chronic conditions in Jordan. *Journal of Geriatric Nursing: Asia*. Submitted August 2025.

8. **Tawalbeh, R.**, McAndrew, N., Ellis, J., Ebrasol, K., Telfah, R., Ananzeh, T., & Litwack, K. Integrative review of performance measures used in cardiac rehabilitation programs. *American Journal of Preventive Cardiology*. Submitted January 2026.

Published/in press

7. Ananzeh, T, Telfah, R, Bakas, T, **Tawalbeh, R.** & Plano Clark, VL. (in press). Mixed methods research on family caregiving for stroke survivors: A methodological systematic review. *Journal of Advanced Nursing*.

6. Hayajneh, AA, Almrafi, SN, Rababa, M, **Tawalbeh, R.** (2025). Unearthing predictors of emotional intelligence, empathy, and work engagement impacting acute care nursing. *Psychological Reports*, 0(0), 1–20. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00332941251358216>

5. Al-husban, I, Hayajneh, A, Rababa, M., **Tawalbeh, R.**, Al-Nusour, E, Al Mugheed, K, Alsenany, S, Farghaly, S, Alsatari, E. (2024). The Variations in the Health Cost Based on The Traditional Obesity Parameters Among Patients with Coronary Artery Diseases Undergoing Cardiac Catheterization. *Health Services Research*. DOI: 10.1186/s12913-024-11486-y

4. Rababa M, **Tawalbeh R.**, Abu-Zahra T. Nurses' perception of uncertainty regarding suspected pain in people with dementia: A qualitative descriptive study. *PLoS One*. 2024 Apr 4;19(4): e0300517. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0300517. PMID: 38574021; PMCID: PMC10994405.

3. Rababa, M, Aldrawsheh, A, Hayajneh, AA, Eyadat, AM, **Tawalbeh, R.** (2023). "The Predictors of Negative and Positive Affect among People with Dementia: A Cross-Sectional Study." *Medicina*, 59 (10), 1724. DOI: 10.3390/medicina59101724

2. Hayajneh, AA, Al-Nusour, EA, **Tawalbeh, R**, & Alsatari, ES. "Understanding Frailty in Older Adults: Examining Attributes, Antecedents, and Consequences." *Jordan Journal of Nursing Research*, 2(3). DOI: 10.14525/JJNR.v2i3.04

1. **Tawalbeh, R**, Khater, W, & Tawalbeh, L. (2022). The Effect of a Cardiac Educational Program on the Level of Knowledge and Satisfaction among Patients with Coronary Artery Disease. *Jordan Journal of Nursing Research*, 1(1), 55–67.
<https://doi.org/10.14525/JJNR.v1i2.06>.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Research Podium Presentations:

3. **Tawalbeh R**, Litwack K, McAndrew N, Ellis J, Ebrasol K, Quinn P. Best Practices in Performance Measures Among High-Performing Cardiac Rehabilitation Programs. The 40th AACVPR Annual Meeting. West Palm, Florida, 2025.

2. Abushousheh A, Taani M, **Tawalbeh R**, Alqam B. Empowering Environments: Evidence-Based Design to Support People with Dementia. Wisconsin Assisted Living Association (WALA) 2025 Conference. Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin, 2025.

1. Abushousheh A, Taani M, **Tawalbeh R**, Alqam B. Empowering Environments: Evidence-Based Design to Support People with Dementia. The 2023 Annual Meeting, LeadingAge, Chicago, Illinois, 2023.

Research Poster Presentations:

7. **Tawalbeh R**, Litwack K, McAndrew N, Ellis J, Ebrasol K, Quinn P. Best Practices in Performance Measures Among Cardiac Rehabilitation Programs: A Mixed Methods Study. The 26th Annual Building Bridges Southeastern Wisconsin Nursing Research Conference, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 2025.

6. **Tawalbeh R**, Litwack K, McAndrew N, Ellis J, Ebrasol K, Quinn P. Best Practices in Performance Measures Among Cardiac Rehabilitation Programs: A Mixed Methods Study. The 49th Annual Research Conference, Midwest Nursing Research Society (MNRS), Indianapolis, Indiana, 2025.

5. **Tawalbeh R**. Incorporating Mindfulness-Based Interventions in Nursing Practice: A Systematic Review. 2024.

4. **Tawalbeh R**, Khater W, Tawalbeh L. The Effect of Cardiac Educational Program on the Level of Knowledge and Satisfaction Among Patients with Coronary Artery Disease. The 25th Annual Building Bridges Southeastern Wisconsin Nursing Research Conference, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 2022.

3. **Tawalbeh R**, Erickson J. Hope in Patients with Critical Illness: A Concept Analysis. The 48th Annual Research Conference: Midwest Nursing Research Society (MNRS), Chicago, Illinois, 2022.
2. **Tawalbeh R**, Erickson J. Hope in Patients with Critical Illness. Doctoral Nursing Student Organization (DNSO) Spring Symposium Presentation. UWM, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 2022.
1. Snethen J, Peters C, Kendrick A, Roach A, Bullis M, **Tawalbeh R**, Treisman P, Graf M, Gonzalez C, Kent D, Theisen M, Daood J. Student-Based Participatory Ph.D. Orientation. At the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL). Teaching and Learning Symposium UWM, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 2022.

Invited talks

1. **Tawalbeh R**. Ways to Success. Ph.D. Student Orientation Day 2 for newly admitted Ph.D. students starting in Spring 2022. College of Nursing University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 2022.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

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| 2025 | Reviewer, Journal of the American College of Cardiology |
| 2024 | Reviewer, Research in Nursing & Health Journal |
| 2022 | Reviewer, International Journal of Africa Nursing Sciences |
| 2021-2023 | Reviewer, Dementia and Geriatric Cognitive Disorders Journal |
| 2021-2022 | Officer, Doctoral Nursing Student Organization (DNSO), UWM |

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE:

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| 2024 | Registered Nurse: Wisconsin |
| 2024 | Registered Nurse: Multi-State (through 02/28/2026) |
| 2015 | Registered Nurse: Jordan |

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

The American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation (AACVPR)
American Nurses' Association (ANA)
Sigma Theta Tau International (STTI)
Doctoral Nursing Student Organization (DNSO), UWM
LeadingAge

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION:

Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS): Certified through August 2027
Basic Life Support (BLS) certified through August 2027
Certified Ultrasound IV Nurse 2025

PROFESSIONAL HONORS AND AWARDS:

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| 2025 | Beginning Investigator Award-Annual American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation (AACVPR) |
| 2023 | Poster award, First place for PhD student, Sigma Theta Nu, Sigma Theta |
| 2022 | Poster award, Honorable mention, Sigma Theta Nu, Sigma Theta-UWM |

2021-2022 Chancellor's Graduate Student Award

COLLEGE OF NURSING SERVICE

2023-2025 Acute and Critical Care Research Group, UWM

2024-2025 Self-Management Research Group, UWM

COURSES TAUGHT

2026 BSN Nursing Care for Older Adults NUR 471

2025 BSN Language of Medicine CHPS 225

2025 MSN Clinical Reasoning NURS 676

2024 BSN Clinical Nursing Skills Lab NURS 422 and Simulation (critical care)

2023 BSN Clinical Nursing Skills Lab NURS 422 and Simulation (Home safety, OB, Med surge, and critical care)

2021 BSN Skills Lab NURS 422 and Simulation

2021 BSN Skills Lab NURS 353

CONTINUING EDUCATION

2026 The Research Engagement and Collaboration HUB (REACH), UNCG

2026 Adult Mental Health First Aid, UNCG

2025 Inclusive Teaching Series 2025, UWM

2025 Clinical & Translational Science Institute of Southeastern Wisconsin (CTSI)-
Grant Preparation Seminar Series, UWM

2024 CNE Prep Course, WM

2024 Clinical & Translational Science Institute of Southeastern Wisconsin (CTSI) -
Manuscript Writing Intensive Course, UWM

2024 Clinical & Translational Science Institute of Southeastern Wisconsin-
(CTSI) Academy Bootcamp - Clinical Research Basics, UWM

2023 Essentials in Clinical Simulations Across the Health Professions course from The
George Washington University

2022 The U.S. National Science Foundation's Innovation Corps NSF-Corps, UWM

2022 Doctoral Professional Writing Workshop, UWM

2021- Courses at the National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity

2018 International Nursing Congress "Innovation Avenues: Practice
Drives Education, Research, and Policy, UWM

2018 First Jordanian International Medical Emergencies Conference

2014 Palliative Care and Pain Management: A workshop

VOLUNTEER WORK

2017-2020 Volunteer Work Club at King Abdullah University Hospital(KAUH)

2013-2015 Volunteer Work and Community Service Club Jordan University of Science and
Technology (JUST)