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**Current Professional Positions**

- Professor Emerita, College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn, Illinois
- President, Linda Caputi, Inc.

**Education**

Doctor of Education, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL,  
Masters of Science in Nursing, Loyola University, Chicago, IL  
Bachelors of Science in Nursing, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL

**Certifications**

2021 – Recertified as a Nurse Educator (CNE) from the National League for Nursing;  
Certified since 2006  
2009 – Certification from Indiana University in “Teaching and Learning in Web-based  
Courses”

**Professional Organizations**

- Member of National League for Nursing:
  - Served for 10 years as the editor of the **Innovation Center** column in the NLN’s *Nursing Education Perspectives*
  - Served a 3-year term on the Board of Governors
  - Served on NLN’s Think Tank for Transforming Clinical Education
  - Served on NLN’s High-Stakes Testing Task Force
  - Served on the Nursing Education Research and Advisory Council
  - Served on the Electronic Repository Task Force
  - Numerous presentations at the NLN Summit
- Member of Sigma Theta Tau International
  - Have won 5 awards for educational excellence

**Consulting Experience**

- Worked with dozens of schools to teach the Caputi Clinical Judgment Framework for Teaching Thinking in Nursing Education for the purpose of increasing NCLEX pass rates and improving patient outcomes.
- Development of complete curricula for PN, ADN, RN-to-BSN, PN-to-BSN, BSN, and Master in Nursing Education programs. Have consulted with over 300 schools over the last 5 years.
- Revised curricula for PN, ADN, BSN, and RN-to-BSN programs.
- Provided consulting to individual schools in many areas of nursing education including teaching clinical judgment, building curriculum, revising curriculum,

teaching in the classroom, teaching to the concept-based curriculum, test development and construction, teaching in the clinical, increasing NCLEX pass rates, etc.

- Consultation related to all areas of program accreditation with expertise related to ACEN accreditation. Have consulted with over 30 schools in the last 3 years on ACEN accreditation. Previously a CNEA accreditation site visitor.
- Development of individualized NCLEX success action plans.
- Development of plans for increasing student retention.
- Individualized faculty development workshops on topics such as teaching clinical judgment, test item writing, teaching to a concept-based curriculum, and other faculty development workshops based on specific school needs.

### **Journal Column Editor**

2010 to 2020: Editor of the *Innovation Center* column of the National League for Nursing's Journal *Nursing Education Perspectives*.

### **Workshops and Presentations**

- Have been providing faculty development workshops and presentations since 1987.
- Have conducted over a thousand workshops for local, regional, and national conferences as well as for individual college/university faculties on a variety of topics.
- Have presented plenary and keynote addresses for national, regional, and local conferences over the last 30 years.

### **Publications**

- Caputi, L. (2022). *Think like a nurse: The Caputi Method for Learning Clinical Judgment*, Windy City Publishers.
- Caputi, L. (2020). *Think like a nurse: A handbook*. Windy City Publishers.
- Caputi, L. (Ed.). (2020). *Certified nurse educator review book: The official NLN guide to the CNE exam*. (2nd ed.). National League for Nursing & Wolters-Kluwer.
- Caputi, L. (2019). Getting ready for the next generation NCLEX, *Nurse Educator*, 44 (3), 117.
- Caputi, L. (2019). Reflections on the next generation NCLEX with implications for nursing programs, *Nursing Education Perspectives*, 40(1), 2-3.
- Caputi, L., & Frank, B. (2019). Competency I: Facilitate Learning, in J. Halstead, (Ed.). *NLN core competencies for nurse educators: A decade of influence*. Wolters Kluwer.
- Caputi, L., & Kavanagh, J. (2018). Want your graduates to succeed? Teach them to think! Guest Editorial, *Nursing Education Perspectives*, 39 (1), 2-3.
- Caputi, L., & Patterson, B. (2016). From a spark of innovation to building the science of nursing education, Guest Editorial, *Nursing Education Perspectives*, 37 (6), 306.
- Caputi, L. (2016). Competency and certification. In S. Cannon and C. Boswell, (Eds.). *Evidence-based teaching: A foundation for educators* (2nd ed.). Jones & Bartlett.
- Caputi, L. (Ed.). (2016) *Innovations in nursing education: Building the future of nursing*. 3rd ed. National League for Nursing & Lippincott.

- Caputi, L. (2016). The Caputi model for teaching thinking in nursing. In L. Caputi (Ed). *Innovations in nursing education: Building the future of nursing*. 3rd ed. (p. 3-12). National League for Nursing & Lippincott.
- Caputi, L. (2015). Appendix C: Caputi's alternative approach to clinical evaluation. In M. Oermann (Ed.). *Teaching in nursing and role of the educator*, (p. 353-357). Springer.
- Caputi, L. (Ed.). (2014) *Innovations in nursing education: Building the future of nursing*. 2nd ed. National League for Nursing & Lippincott.
- Caputi, L. (Ed.). (2013) *Innovations in nursing education: Building the future of nursing*. National League for Nursing & Lippincott.
- Caputi, L. (2011). Program approval and accreditation. In J. Zerwekh & T. Bristol, (Eds.). *E-Learning for nurse educators*. F. A. Davis.
- Caputi, L. (Ed.). (2010). *Teaching nursing: The art and science, Volumes 1-3*, (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.). College of DuPage Press.
- Caputi, L. (2010). It's just a saying....[Guest Editorial]. *Journal of Nursing Education*, 49 (9), 483.
- Caputi, L. (2009). Summary and Recommendations Regarding Achieving Excellence in Nursing Education. In M. Adams and T. Valiga, (Eds.). *Achieving excellence in nursing education*. National League for Nursing.
- Caputi, L. (2007). Evidence-based nursing practice for new graduates. *Advance for Nurses Serving New Nurse Graduates*.
- Caputi, L. (2007). *Little Lessons for Nurse Educators*. College of DuPage Press.
- Caputi, L. (2006). Male Reproductive Disorders In D. Ignatavicius & L. Workman, (Eds.). *Medical-surgical nursing: Critical thinking for collaborative care*. Elsevier.
- Caputi, L. (2006). Grading papers: Pleasure or pain. *Teaching and Learning in Nursing*, 1(2).
- Caputi, L., & Blach, D. (2008) *Teaching Nursing Using Concept Maps*. College of DuPage Press.
- Caputi, L. & Engelmann, L. (Eds.) (2008). *Teaching Nursing: The Art and Science. Vol 4, It's all about student success*. College of DuPage Press.
- Caputi, L., Engelmann, L., & Stasinopoulos, J. (2006). An Interdisciplinary Approach to the Needs of Non-Native Speaking Nursing Students: Conversation Circles, *Nurse Educator*, 31(3), 107-111.
- Giddens, J., Caputi, L., & Rodgers, B. (2020). *Mastering Concept-based Teaching: A Guide for Nurse Educators*. 2nd Ed. Elsevier.
- Koharchik, L., Caputi, L., Robb, M., & Culleiton, A. (2015). Teaching for practice: Fostering clinical reasoning in nursing students. *American Journal of Nursing*, 115(1), 58-65.
- Rothblum, J., Kniest, K., & Caputi, L. (2009). A pediatric critical thinking tool. *Nurse Educator*, 34(5), 192-193.

### **Publications: Multimedia, Computer, and Web-based Works**

Online *Clinical Judgment Course* starting in June, 2022.

Online Certified Nurse Educator Review course offered by the National League for Nursing at: <https://nlm.digitalchalk.com/learn/nln-cne-prep-course>

*The Thinking Nurse: Board Games for Nursing Education*, 2007  
StartRight in Nursing School, 2007  
The PhysWhiz II: High Risk Pregnancy, 2006  
The PhysWhiz II: Normal Pregnancy, 2005  
The PhysWhiz II: Postpartum, 2004  
The PhysWhiz II: The Male Reproductive System, 2004  
The PhysWhiz II: The Female Reproductive System, 2004  
The PhysWhiz II: Labor and Delivery, 2004  
The PhysWhiz II: The Neonate, 2003  
The Critical Thinking Tutorial, 2002  
Critical Thinking Case Studies....and More! (a series), 2002 - 2008  
The PhysWhiz II: The Integumentary System and Wound Care, 2002  
The PhysWhiz II: The Brain and Cranial Nerves, 2001  
The PhysWhiz II: The Spine and Spinal Nerves, 2001  
The PhysWhiz II: The Musculoskeletal System, 2001  
Domestic Violence: Violence Against Women, 2000  
Thumbs Up!! A Nursing Game for Classroom Use, 2000  
Conflict Resolution, 1999  
TLC General Hospital, 1987  
TLC Medical Center, 1998  
ChartSmart – Documenting Patient Care, 1989  
ChartSmart II – 1998  
The PhysWhiz: The Immune System, 1993  
The PhysWhiz: The Cardiac System, 1994  
The PhysWhiz: The Endocrine System, 1995  
The PhysWhiz: The Respiratory System, 1996  
The PhysWhiz: The Gastrointestinal System, 1996  
The PhysWhiz: The Accessory Organs of the GI System, 1997  
The PhysWhiz: The Renal System, 1998  
SOS – Strategies for Problem Solving, 1996  
The Basic Principles of Pharmacology, 1996  
Math Magic for Meds, 1995  
Medication Maestro: Safe Administration of Medications, 1996  
Medication Maestro: Giving Oral Medications, 1996  
Medication Maestro: Giving IV Medications, 1998  
Home Health Nursing: Applying Problem Solving Strategies, 1996  
Management Skills: Effective Delegation, 1998

**Videotapes/CD:**

Tucked in Tight – An inspirational video about caring for the elderly – 2001  
A Safe Home – An affective video about domestic violence – 2001

## **Honors and Awards:**

2011 – *Teaching Nursing: The Art and Science* (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.) was selected as the winner of the 2011 Top Teaching Tools Award in the print category from the *Journal of Nursing Education*.

2010 – Inducted as a Fellow into the Academy of Nursing Education, National League for Nursing

2010 – Invited to the National League for Nursing’s Think Tank on Standardized Testing,

2009 – Invited external reviewer for the RN to BSN program at Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, Florida

2008 – Included in the 2008-2009 Edition of *Who’s Who Among Executives and Professionals* (Nursing)

2008 – Invited to the National League for Nursing’s Think Tank on Transforming Clinical Instruction

2007 – Invited external reviewer for faculty promotion and tenure, Boise State University.

2007 - Invited Judge for Sigma Theta Tau International Award for Nursing Excellence – Computer-Based Professional Education Technology Category

2006 – Invited judge for the 2006 *ADVANCE for Nurses 2006 Best Nurse Leader* contest

2005 and 2006 – Invited reviewer of Drexel Nursing Education Institute’s Peer Review Abstracts

2005 – Winner of the International Computer-Based Professional Education Technology Award from Sigma Theta Tau International.

2004 – Nurse Educator of the Year award from National Organization of Associate Degree Nursing

2004 – Pinnacle Award from Sigma Theta Tau for the software program *PhysWhiz II: Labor and Delivery* along with Jane Kirkpatrick from Purdue University.

2003 – Nominated for faculty of the year award from the National League for Nursing

1998, 2002, & 2005 – Included in the Fifth Edition of *Who’s Who Among America’s Teachers*, 1998; the 7<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2002; 9<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2004-2005.

1999 – Invited reviewer for Sigma Theta Tau for technology proposals to be presented at the 1999 Convention

1998 & 1999 – Selected by the United States Department of Commerce to serve as an expert peer reviewer for 1998 and 1999 grant applications for the Telecommunications and Information Infrastructure Assistance Program

1997 & 1996 – Nominated by students in both years for outstanding faculty award at College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn, Illinois.

1997 – First place award from Sigma Theta Tau International, Honor Society of Nursing, international competition for computer-assisted instruction, *Medication Maestro: Safe Administration of Medications*

1996 – First place award from Sigma Theta Tau International, Honor Society of Nursing, (media award for excellence in nursing journalism) regional competition for computer-assisted instruction, *Medication Maestro: Safe Administration of Medications*

1996 – Honorable mention for integrating technology into a technology/occupational program awarded by the National Council of Instructional Administrators

1996 – Second place award from American Journal of Nursing Company Media Festival Award for computer program *Medication Maestro: Safe Administration of Medications*

1995 – First place award from Sigma Theta Tau International, Honor Society of Nursing, international competition for computer-assisted instruction, *PhysWhiz: The Cardiac System*

1995 – First place award from Sigma Theta Tau International, Honor Society of Nursing, (media award for excellence in nursing journalism) regional competition for computer-assisted instruction, *The PhysWhiz: The Cardiac System*

1993 – First place award from Sigma Theta Tau International, Honor Society of Nursing, international competition for computer-assisted instruction, *The PhysWhiz: The Immune System*

1992 – First place media festival award from American Journal of Nursing Company, for outstanding instructional software for *SOS – Strategies for Problem Solving*

1992 – Outstanding Scholarship Award presented by the Department of Leadership and Educational Policy Studies at Northern Illinois University for dissertation *A Taxonomy of Instructional Software for Nursing Education*

1990 – First place award from the Association for Educational Communications and Technology for software solutions to educational problems for *TLC General Hospital*