

## Archived Student in the Spotlight

Megan Miller, BSN, RN, PhD Candidate



Megan Miller, a PhD student at Michigan State University, passed her dissertation proposal defense in Summer 2019, and is now a PhD Candidate. She has been a registered nurse since 2015, gaining professional experience in hospice and palliative care, nursing education and health promotion across the lifespan. Megan has two ongoing research studies funded by the American Nurses Foundation and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan. Her research will examine the impact of spirituality on pain experiences in women with advanced breast cancer in the context of an integrative therapy intervention.

Megan is passionate about end-of-life care and is interested in exploring how our relationship to death affects the way we live. She is a co-chair elect of our RIG, a facilitator of Death Café Lansing, a board member for the Funeral Consumers Alliance and a volunteer at Hospice of Lansing. Her future work will include the development of holistic (mind, body, spirit) interventions for pain in people with advanced cancer, the integration of end of life training for undergraduate nursing students, and the establishment of community-based hospice centers.

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