

Interprofessional Education Excellence Award

Elizabeth Ross, PT, DPT, MMSc

Dr. Elizabeth Ross earned a Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapy from the University of Michigan, a Masters of Medical Science in Physical Therapy from Emory University, and her DPT degree from Marymount University.

Through numerous continuing education workshops she developed her abilities in teaching and researching professional communication skills for healthcare professionals. She has been a course developer and instructor in the Doctor of Physical Therapy Program for 27 years and has taught communication skills throughout the curriculum in the School of Medicine for the past eight years, including initial development of skills (Practice Course) through advanced communication in complex situations (Capstone Course). Dr. Ross developed, instructs and co-directs a year-long interprofessional seminar in the Masters of Biomedical Science.

A hallmark of her work is the collaboration with other healthcare professionals, which she has pursued with purpose. Her affinity for interprofessional education arises from her genuine appreciation and passion for learning with and from professionals different from her own in the service of patient-centered care. Over time her path has become increasingly more engaged with other professionals in providing the most meaningful education for healthcare learners. Dr. Ross is a fellow and board member of the Academy on Communication in Healthcare (ACH).



"As a healthcare educator for nearly 25 years, Dr. Ross has continued to demonstrate excellence for all learners (including her peers) and serve as a role model for our community of healthcare educators and learners. She is an exceptional educator who takes tremendous pride in being a learner herself, cultivating wisdom and deepening understanding of the needs, motivation, and inner-workings of healthcare providers."