

Ashley Shields

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Dear Carle Human Resources,

I am excited to apply for the Registered Nurse position in the Emergency Department at Carle Foundation Hospital. I am currently a nursing student at Lakeview College of Nursing. During my time at Lakeview, I have had the opportunity to work in several departments with a variety of patients during clinicals. The department I have most enjoyed and feel very passionate about is the emergency department at Carle. This is where I have spent most of my clinical hours. I very much enjoy the fast pace of the ED, the nursing staff, educational opportunities, and the patient care this department offers.

I am in my last semester at Lakeview where I will graduate with a BSN nursing degree, while maintaining the Dean's List for multiple semesters. I have worked to learn and retain as much information as possible to help my career moving forward and provide the best patient care. I have spent my entire 4th semester in the ED every week, so I am already familiar with the roles of the nursing staff, patient needs, and pace. I look forward to learning and growing in my nursing career.

I look forward to hearing from you and joining your team.

Sincerely,

Ashley Shields

Education

Bachelors of Nursing. Lakeview College of Nursing Program, Danville, Illinois. August 2024-Present, anticipated graduation May 8, 2026.

Mattoon High School, 2003 graduate

Licensure / Certification

Certified Nurses Aide. July 2004- July 2017.

Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers: American Heart Association: exp. 03/2027

Relevant Experience

In-home care from 2009- 2017

Heartland Christian Village in Neoga, IL 2006-2008.

Illinois Masonic Home in Sullivan, IL 2004-2006

Nursing Clinical Rotations

Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana, IL - Emergency Department

Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center, Mattoon, IL – Medical/Surgical, Emergency Department, Intensive Care Unit, Cancer Center

Carel Foundation Hospital, Urbana, IL – Pediatrics, Obstetrics, NICU, PICU

OSF Danville, Danville, IL – Medical/Surgical, Emergency Department, Operating Room

Behavioral Health – Pavillion, Lighthouse Autism Center

Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana, IL – Medical/Surgical

Service

Lakeview College of Nursing Student Government Association Officer

Treasurer – May 2025- May 2026

Volunteer Student Nurse – Flu Clinic, Danville, IL

Student Nurse Representative at Pridefest, Danville, IL

Honors / Awards

Dean's List (3 semesters)

Dean's Scholarship Recipient (3 semesters)

Illinois Nurses Foundation Scholarship Recipient 2025

Professional References:

Travis Whisman – Personal advisor, professor, and clinical instructor during Lake View Nursing degree program. twisman@lakeviewcol.edu ; Office #: 217-709-0926

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