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Hobson to Retire from Northwest Iowa Community College

Ruth Hobson, Director, Nursing Education; Nursing Instructor will be retiring from Northwest Iowa Community College on June 30, 2017. Hobson has been with NCC for almost 22 years – since August 7, 1995.

Hobson began her career at NCC as the Health Educators Coordinator in Continuing Education. She served in that position for five years. In 2000 she became a Practical Nursing Instructor and in 2006 she became the Director of Nursing Education. During her tenure at NCC she has taught in all four of the nursing programs: Practical Nursing, Practical Nursing - Extended, Associate Degree Nursing and Associate Degree Nursing – Hybrid.

Hobson received the NCC Faculty of the Year Award in 2005, Who's Who Among American Teachers in 2004, Excellence in Teaching Award in 2004 and Governor's Volunteer Award in 2000. She was nominated as President of the Iowa Health Educators Association in 2015.

Hobson commented, "Associate Degree Nursing Pinning Ceremonies are among my favorite NCC moments. This is always such a beautiful ceremony and it culminates the hard work the students and nursing faculty have accomplished during their education at NCC." Hobson continued, "I have truly enjoyed my years at NCC. I have met and worked with some amazing people over the years. I look forward to calling them my friends forever." Hobson's advice to her NCC coworkers is, "Even though things might not be going the way you want – always remember why you are here. It is all for the students!"

Hobson's plans for retirement, "I am going to find a part time job in nursing, possibly do some clinical training for NCC, travel and take care of grandkids!"