

# Faces of FRONTIER: *FOCUSED ON THE MISSION*



**Margaret Franklin**

*FNU Nurse Practitioner Student, Class 75*

Caring for women has been a part of Margaret's life for over eight years. She has worked with the Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) program and currently works as a registered nurse in an OB unit in rural California. Her community has a largely Hispanic population and a total population of 13,000. "Our OB department is the only place within 30 miles that gives women the option of using midwives and having water births, meaning they actually have options to choose the type of birth they desire and deserve." In addition, the SART program has helped women to have a defensible case in court. It is a privilege to see survivors finding joy in their lives despite the horrible things they have experienced. "I have one patient in particular who I defended in court, and later I was her delivery nurse, so it was wonderful to be her nurse the second time in a much happier situation."

Margaret has spent many years working with a largely female patient population and has even participated in ten volunteer nursing trips to Haiti to care for this population. "My career focus so far has been mostly on women, but I realize that they are affected by the health of their entire family. I came to Frontier to become a Family Nurse Practitioner because I am eager to serve the whole family." She loves Frontier's program because she feels it is much more practical than many other program options out there.

As for FNU's online program, Margaret states "Instructors encourage and teach practical information that will enhance our future jobs as advanced practitioners." She feels that the students are a great support system for one another and that there is a camaraderie at FNU that is often not attained in a classroom setting.

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