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Leland "Rocky" Rockstraw, Ph.D., RN, an associate clinical professor of nursing and assistant dean for simulation, clinical & technical learning operations & facility oversight at Drexel University College of Nursing and Health Professions in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. A native of Rhode Island, he is a graduate of University of Nebraska, Central Michigan University, University of Southern Alabama, and Drexel University School of Education. In 2006, Dr Rockstraw completed his PhD in Educational Leadership Development and Learning Technologies. He completed a Biomedical Informatics Fellowship from the National Library of Medicine and Marine Biological Laboratory in 2004. He has attended Harvard's Institute for Medical Simulation Comprehensive Undergraduate Course & as well as the Graduate Course.

Under his tenure at the college, he has lead the creation of a new centralized college wide department which provides support in IT, online learning technologies, web design, clinical & simulation practice, and 'just in time technology education' to faculty , staff, and the students. In January of 2007, the opening of a the Center for Interdisciplinary Clinical Simulation and Practice (CICSP) simulation labs which consisted of 10 simulation suites outfitted to simulation patient centered examination rooms. In July of 2010, the opening of the next phase of simulation at the college with large configurable human patient simulation rooms (medical, critical care, labor & delivery, operating, & emergency rooms as well as a community environment) a 'faculty centered' control room, simulation board/debriefing room, and additional support computer labs.

Dr Rockstraw is active in several professional organizations and serves as VP of Finance for the International Nursing Association for Clinical Simulation and Learning and Treasurer for the Nu Eta Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International. Dr Rockstraw is also a member of the Association of Standardized Patient Educators, the Society for Medical Simulation, the American Nursing Informatics Association, the American Nurses Association, and Pennsylvania State Nurses Association. Dr Rockstraw has presented nationally on a variety of nursing, health sciences, simulation, management and learning resource center topics. He has assisted numerous academic institutions in developing programs in the use of Human Patient Simulation (HPS), Standardized Patient (SP), handheld technology, and has traveled to the foot hills of the Himalayas in India to introduce technology. He serves on the Pennsylvania Workforce Investment Board, Pennsylvania Center for Health Careers Clinical Education Task Force. Dr Rockstraw is a Co-Investigator for the Pennsylvania/District of Columbia Nursing Education Technology Collaborative, Faculty Development: Integrating Technology into Nursing Education and Practice, a near \$1.5 million, five year project funded by HRSA, Department of Health and Human Services.