U.S. Rep. Jo Ann Emerson (MO-08) today announced that Southeast Missouri State University will receive a $204,211 grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for its Advanced Education Nursing Traineeship.

"This great opportunity for the University also helps to address a critical need for nurses in our Southeast Missouri communities. A robust education and training program in nursing carries cumulative benefits for everyone in need of the services that our skilled, professional nurses provide. I'm very proud of this program at the University as well as the faculty, staff and students who have earned this grant on behalf of their program," Emerson said.

The grant extends through June 30, 2013. It is a new funding opportunity for the University.