Nursing Programs

Mission

Our nursing programs advance the level of education of registered nurses while fostering their professional and personal development.

Philosophy

We emphasize quality teaching complemented by scholarly and creative expression, clinical expertise, dedicated community service, and service to the profession of nursing. We are dedicated to the preparation of persons who enrich the nursing profession by responding flexibly and creatively to both professional and societal issues. Graduates increase their professional base of expertise and add depth in scholarship.

We believe that the students are adult learners who seek relevant learning experiences grounded in experiential learning and have a clear commitment to the identity of the professional nurse. We believe that the best learning takes place in an environment of support where students are respected and their life experiences are honored. The ideal education setting is a learning community that allows students to realize their full potential as reflective, active learners. Because we are committed to the idea that active involvement is essential to effective learning, we foster a classroom environment of interaction among students and faculty. We expect all students to participate in their own learning and to facilitate the learning of others by participating in collaborative learning groups and partnerships, respecting each other’s opinions and questions, and by establishing a commitment to learning and critical and creative thinking.

We believe that the history and the development of nursing as a profession have been profoundly influenced by being a women’s profession. We strive to create a community of scholarly caring.