

Health Sciences (BSHS)

B.S.

Expanded Statement of Institutional Purpose

Institutional Mission Reference

The Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences (BSHS) Program offers undergraduate students a high quality degree program designed to offer advanced level educational experiences to already credentialed health professionals. Program faculty are committed to quality teaching and the discovery of new knowledge. The faculty support the institutional mission to serve a diverse student body and provide opportunities for lifelong learning. To that end, the BSHS program offers courses through both the Weekend College and TELETECHNET.

Institutional Goal(s) Supported

The Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences (BSHS) Program supports the University goals of (a) unique quality undergraduate academic programs, (b) innovative teaching, (c) lifelong learning, and (d) distance and weekend education. The BSHS also supports Strategic Initiatives 1 (High Quality, Distinctive Undergraduate Programs) and Strategic Initiative 5 (Distance Education).

Intended Educational (Student) Outcomes, Methods for Assessment, Criteria for Success, Assessment Results, and Use of Results

Intended Outcome 1

All students in the Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences (BSHS) Program will improve their understanding of the nation's health care system and common issues and problems in health care delivery.

Method for Assessing Outcome 1 and Criterion for Success: The program will survey alumni every other year and at least 80% will perceive that they have improved their understanding of the nation's health care system and common issues and problems in health care delivery.

Summary of Assessment Data Collected for Outcome 1: The alumni survey will be conducted in spring 2002.

Alternate Method for Assessing Outcome 1 and Criterion for Success: Results of the University's Senior Assessment will also be used to assess this outcome to at least 80%.

Intended Outcome 2

Students in the BSHS Program will learn basic principles of management and gain skills in human resources, employee relations, employment law, and organizational development.

Method for Assessing Outcome 2 and Criterion for Success: The BSHS Program will survey its alumni every other year and at least 80% will perceive that they have learned the basic principles of management and gained skills in human resources, employee relations, employment law, and organizational development. Comparisons will be made between TELETECHNET and on-campus graduates.

Summary of Assessment Data Collected for Outcome 2: The alumni survey will be conducted in spring 2002.

Alternate Method for Assessing Outcome 2 and Criterion for Success: Results of the University Senior Assessment will also be used to determine this outcome to at least 80%.

Alternate Method for Assessing Outcome 2 and Criterion for Success: The BSHS Program will survey employers of graduates every other year and at least 80% of employers will be Very Satisfied or Satisfied with the management knowledge and skills of graduates. Comparisons will be made between TELETECHNET and on-campus graduates.

Use of Assessment Results from Intended Outcome 2 to Improve Academic Program: The employer survey will be conducted in spring 2002.

Intended Outcome 3

Students in the BSHS Program will build their competencies in interpersonal relationships, including interpersonal communication and conflict resolution skills, and gain a deeper appreciation for a variety of sociocultural perspectives.

Method for Assessing Outcome 3 and Criterion for Success: The BSHS Program will survey its alumni every other year and 80% of the alumni will perceive that they have built their competencies in interpersonal relationships, including interpersonal communication and conflict resolution skills and gained a deeper appreciation for a variety of sociocultural perspectives. Comparisons will be made between TELETECHNET and on-campus graduates.

Alternate Method for Assessing Outcome 3 and Criterion for Success: The University's Senior Assessment will also be used to assess this outcome to at least 80%.

Alternate Method for Assessing Outcome 3 and Criterion for Success: The BSHS Program will survey employers of graduates every other year and at least 80% of employers will be Very Satisfied or Satisfied with the collaboration skills of graduates. Comparisons will be made between TELETECHNET and on-campus graduates.

Intended Outcome 4

BSHS students will experience enhanced career potential as measured in increased salaries, advanced career opportunities, promotions, and/or partial completion of prerequisites for graduate school.

Method for Assessing Outcome 4 and Criterion for Success: The BSHS Program will survey its alumni every other year to determine if at least 80% of the alumni perceive enhanced career potential as measured in increased salaries, advanced career opportunities, promotions, and/or partial completion of prerequisites for graduate school.

Summary of Assessment Data Collected for Outcome 4: The alumni survey will be conducted in spring 2002.