Nursing B.S.

Mission:

The goal of the nursing curriculum is to transform healthcare by preparing exceptional nurses, extending nursing science and partnering with our global community. Exceptional nurses are prepared through Reflective Course Assignments, Clinical Practice Rotations and Simulated Patient Care Experiences. These experiences ensure that an environment is created for students to learn the lifesaving outcomes required for nursing. The American Association of College of Nursing (AACN) Essentials of Baccalaureate Education provide the foundation on which the BSN curriculum is based. The American Nurses Association Scope and Standards for Practice (ANA, 2010) as well as practice specialty standards such as those for the pediatrics, psychiatric-mental health, maternal-child and rehabilitation nursing are used as adjuncts to the Baccalaureate Essentials. These foundational documents are cited in course syllabi, discussed during didactic lecture sessions and used as a foundation for student reflective clinical practice logs. The BSN curriculum receives accreditation by the accrediting body of the AACN, The Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Evidence of curricular adherence and student accomplishment of curricular outcomes is provided to the organization.

The goals identified for the COHS strategic plan compliment and expand on the goals identified in the University plan, and reflect the inter-professional culture of the COHS. The nursing curriculum directly contributes to the COHS strategic plan by developing curricula that enhance knowledge through inquiry and discovery providing quality learning experiences to develop safe, competent and caring health care leaders.