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SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA UNIVERSITY MAJOR FIELD ASSESSMENT PLAN

Baccalaureate Program in Nursing

The mission of Southeastern Louisiana University is to meet the educational and cultural needs, primarily of Southeast Louisiana, to disseminate knowledge and to facilitate life-long learning through quality instruction, research and service in a safe, student-centered environment.

The purpose of the School of Nursing (SON) is to prepare students at the baccalaureate level for entry practice as a professional nurse.

GOAL 1 To provide theoretical and clinical experiences to enable the student to meet program objectives in preparation for Licensure as a registered nurse.			
Expected Outcome	Assessment		
A. Students completing the Baccalaureate program in Nursing are prepared to provide nursing care to diverse clients in	a. SLU Senior Exit Survey	a. Eighty percent (80%) of the respondents will rate their education as satisfactory in preparing them to collaborate with interdisciplinary health team members.	
collaboration with interdisciplinary health	b. SLU and SON Employer		
team members.	Survey	b. Eighty percent (80%) of the graduates of the Baccalaureate program in Nursing will be evaluated as "good" or "excellent" in working with other health team members.	
B. Students completing the Baccalaureate program in Nursing are prepared to incorporate critical thinking strategies with appropriate nursing interventions while	a. SLU Senior Exit Survey	a. Seventy percent (70%) of the graduates will rate their education as satisfactory in preparing them to assume a leadership role in providing nursing care to diverse populations.	
assuming a leadership role in the design, implementation, and management of nursing care.	b. SLU and SON Employer Survey	b. Eighty percent (80%) of the graduates of the Nursing Baccalaureate Program will be evaluated as "good" or "excellent" in preparation for management and leadership skills.	
	c. NCLEX	c. Eighty-five percent (85%) of the nursing graduates in a given year will pass the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) given by the Louisiana State Board of Nursing.	
	d. Standardized Test Scores	d. The average score of the students within the Baccalaureate Program in Nursing on standardized test will be at or above national average.	
	e. Senior Capstone Project	e. All graduating senior nursing students will participate in the development, implementation, and evaluation of a capstone project.	

Expected Outcome	Assessment	
C. Students completing the Baccalaureate	a. SLU Senior Exit Survey	a. Eighty percent (80%) of the graduates will rate their education as
program in Nursing are prepared to use		satisfactory in preparing them to use professional communication
professional communication and		strategies.
information technology to acquire, develop,		
critique, and convey information in nursing	b. SLU and SON Employer	b. Eighty percent (80%) of the graduates of the Nursing Baccalaureate
practice.	Survey	Program will be evaluated as "good" or "excellent" in their use of communication and technical skills.
	c. SON Student Survey	c. Eighty percent (80%) of the respondents will indicate satisfaction in the ability to utilize computers.
	d. Senior Capstone Project	d. All graduating senior nursing student will participate in the development, implementation, and evaluation of a capstone project.

GOAL 2 To develop an opportunity for maintaining current knowledge and competence in order to foster professional development and contribute to the nursing profession as leaders in the field.

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Expected Outcome	Assessment			
A. Students completing the Baccalaureate program in Nursing are prepared to assume personal responsibility for acquiring and maintaining current knowledge in nursing practice and contribute to the advancement of the nursing profession.	a. SLU Senior Exit Survey	a. Seventy percent (70%) of the graduates will rate their education as satisfactory in preparing them to assume personal responsibility for maintaining knowledge and advancing the nursing profession, or indicate plans to pursue further education.		
	b. SON Employer Survey	b. Eighty percent (80%) of the graduates of the Baccalaureate program in Nursing will be evaluated as "good" or "excellent" in participating in professional development activities.		
	c. SLU Survey of Undergraduate Alumni	c. Eighty (80%) of the respondents of the SLU Nursing Program will indicate participation in continuing education activities (including Sigma Theta Tau, professional programs, and professional organizations) as indicated on the Alumni Survey.		
B. Students completing the Baccalaureate program in Nursing are prepared to incorporate critical analysis of research findings in providing competent nursing	a. SLU Senior Exit Survey	a. Sixty percent (60%) of the graduates will rate their education as satisfactory in preparing them to critically assess and incorporate research findings.		
practice based on professional nursing standards and regulatory statues.	b. Standardized Test Scores	b. The average score of the students within the Baccalaureate Program in Nursing on standardized test will be at or above national average.		
	c. SLU and SON Employer Survey	c. Eighty percent (80%) of the graduates of the Baccalaureate program in Nursing will be evaluated as "good" or "excellent" in the use of current research findings in delivery of nursing care.		

GOAL 3 To meet the educational needs of the student in order to foster graduation in a timely manner and prepare the student for employment after graduation.

Expected Outcome	Assessment	
A. Students will maintain adequate graduation rates after entering into the first clinical nursing course.	a. SLU Graduation Rates for the SON	a. Seventy percent (70%) of full-time students will complete the nursing courses within 5-6 semesters from entering the first nursing clinical course.
B. Students will receive employment post-graduation.	a. SON Employment Survey	a. Eighty percent (80%) of students graduating from the School of Nursing will secure employment within 6 months of graduation as indicated on the Employment Survey.

GOAL 4 To develop an awareness and appreciation of cultural diversity in health care practices from a global perspective.		
Expected Outcome	Assessment	
A. Students will be prepared to provide nursing care to clients from diverse communities.	a. SON Student Survey	a. Seventy percent (70%) of students surveyed will agree that they are developing an awareness of and ability to provide nursing care to clients from diverse communities.
	b. SLU Senior Exit Survey	b. Seventy percent (70%) of the graduates of the Baccalaureate program in nursing will rate their education as satisfactory in preparing them to provide nursing care to clients from diverse communities.
B. Students completing the Baccalaureate program in nursing will recognize and understand global health care issues impacting the health of clients.	a. SLU Senior Exit Survey	a. Seventy percent (70%) of the graduates will rate their education as satisfactory in preparing them on global health care issues.
C. Students will be provided international study opportunities as available through the university.	a. SON Student Survey	a. Seventy percent (70%) of students survey will be satisfied with opportunities made available for international study.