

UNIT REPORT

Nursing WH-SON MSN - Institutional Effectiveness Final Annual Report 2019

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Definition of Unit

WH-SON Mission and Vision

Reporting Year: 2018-2019

Providing Department: Nursing WH-SON MSN

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Mission/Vision/Goal Statement:

The WHSON currently has two MSN Nursing programs: the new TTU MSN program and the TNeCampus MSN program partnership with East TN State University, Austin Peay State University and Tennessee State University. The new TTU MSN program began in the Fall 2018 with plans to exit the TN eCampus MSN Partnership and teach out the TTU home school students by the end of Summer 2020. Due to our departure and APSU's departure, the TN eCampus MSN program is in progress of teaching out and ending the program by December 2020. TN eCampus MSN program continues to be accredited through Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN). The new TTU MSN program will have the initial accreditation visit on September 16-18, 2019 with the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). With the advent of the new strategic plan for the WHSON over the 18-19 academic year with final approval in Summer 2019, the TTU MSN program is transitioning with our newest mission, vision and goals. The rubrics for the strategic plan will be put in place over the 2019-2020 academic year with a plan to develop an Evaluation Committee to oversee data and analysis. The new mission, vision, goals, and outcomes for the WHSON and specific to the new TTU MSN program will be presented in the following narrative.

TTU MSN Program

The mission is as follows: "The Whitson-Hester School of Nursing is a passionately engaged community of highly qualified educators, scholars, and graduates serving the health care needs of a diverse society while providing leadership in the advancement of the profession." The TTU MSN program seeks to emphasize education for life, innovate through on-line learning and various simulation learning experiences, improve efficiency and effectiveness of the operation and quality of graduate education through exceptional stewardship, and engage for impact as the WHSON engages through partnerships, alumni, and employment opportunities for its graduates. The vision of the school is to "create an environment that builds on our traditions of commitment to the highest standards of excellence in teaching, research, service, and nursing practice."

The goals of the WHSON are to:

Goal 1: Provide excellence in teaching and lifelong learning

Goal 2: Offer the highest quality BSN and MSN graduates to address workforce needs

Goal 3: Preserve and protect diversity and inclusion of people and ideas through availability of opportunities for students and faculty

Goal 4: Impact health care delivery and policies through professional leadership in the academic and healthcare communities

Goal 5: Engage in faculty and student research/scholarly activities that lead to improvement in the health of communities, advancement of nursing knowledge and practice and/or impacts health care delivery

Goal 6: Faculty and students engage in interprofessional education, research, service and practice

Goal 7: Provide graduates the ability to address patient care needs in the delivery of innovative health care, while recognizing their unique placement and leadership in the nursing workforce

The Program Outcomes for the TTU MSN program are to:

Outcome 1: Demonstrate knowledge and competencies in advanced nursing practice, nursing education, and nursing administration

Outcome 2: Integrate specialized knowledge and theories from nursing and related disciplines into advanced nursing roles

Outcome 3: Use research to validate and refine knowledge relevant to advanced nursing roles

Outcome 4: Practice advanced nursing roles in collaborative relationships across disciplines and in partnerships with communities (nursing education, nursing administration, and advanced clinical practice)

Outcome 5: Manage the healthcare of clients within legal, ethical and professional standards

Outcome 6: Improve the health of clients among diverse population groups

Outcome 7: Promote positive changes in health care delivery, health policies and nursing practice

For the purpose of the IE report for 2018-2019, the TTU MSN program goals/outcomes, assessment tools and results will not be the focus due to recent development of the strategic plan, continuing development of rubrics and upcoming strategic implementation; however, the TN eCampus will be