The purpose of the Undergraduate Programs Purpose and Objectives Operating Policy and Procedure (SON OP) is to guide the development of all curriculum changes including all courses.

The OP will be reviewed biennially by September 1 of each even numbered year (ENY) by the applicable Associate Dean/Department Chair, with recommendations for revisions forwarded to the Dean of the School of Nursing.

The purpose of the Undergraduate Degree Programs are to provide educational and experiential learning opportunities in liberal arts, natural and behavioral sciences, humanities, and nursing arts and sciences, for students desiring to practice professional nursing.

Objectives: To prepare generalist nurses to develop into leaders for the future as they provide competent, compassionate patient care in the rapidly changing health care environment.

Student Learning Outcome Objectives (Terminal Program Objectives):

1. Provide patient-centered care for individuals, families, and communities.
2. Work as an effective member of interdisciplinary teams to ensure continuous and safe patient care.
3. Employ evidence-based practice (EBP) by integrating current research with clinical expertise and patient values to provide optimal patient care.
4. Apply quality improvement measures to continually improve health outcomes consistent with current professional knowledge.
5. Utilize informatics to enhance patient safety, manage knowledge and information, make decisions, and communicate effectively.
6. Provide safe care to individuals, families and communities through individual performance and system effectiveness.

The Undergraduate programs offer three paths to obtain the BSN degree: Traditional BSN, RN/BSN and Second Degree BSN programs.