

MSAH-Mission, Goals, & Objectives

Mission of the College of Nursing and the School of Allied Health

Northwestern State University's College of Nursing and School of Allied Health advances the mission of the University through innovative teaching, experiential service learning, and scholarship. The College of Nursing and School of Allied Health offers quality healthcare education to a diverse student population to achieve their goal of becoming responsible healthcare providers who improve the health of our region, state, and nation. (Effective 8/30/24).

MSAH Program Mission

To provide a learning environment for the development of knowledge, intellectual skills, and dispositions necessary for allied health professionals to function as leaders in the areas of clinical education or clinical operations and to furnish a foundation for doctoral study.

Program Goals:

- To prepare healthcare professionals who can function as leaders in allied health professions.
- To develop allied health professionals who are prepared to contribute to healthcare delivery.
- To prepare allied health professionals to become departmental leaders who are supportive of and contribute to the overall organizational mission.
- To prepare allied health professionals who are adaptable to changing legal and legislative trends regarding healthcare delivery.

Program Objectives:

Graduates of the MSAH program will be able to:

- Distinguish leadership skills in allied health clinical education or clinical operations.
- Utilize critical thinking skills to resolve issues in healthcare-related problems.
- Apply research evidence and skills in the practice setting as an educator or administrator in allied health disciplines to improve practice.
- Demonstrate effective communication skills in professional settings to maintain collegial and collaborative relationships.
- Analyze, design, conduct research studies, and disseminate findings and methods to contribute to and improve the practice of allied health education or operations.
- Implement strategies to effect change within allied health professions.
- Evaluate ethical standards in practice as an allied health clinical educator or clinical operations administrator.
- Serve as a role model to promote professionalism within the allied health disciplines.
- Contribute to the community and allied health professions through service.