

EKU Baccalaureate & Graduate Nursing

Professional Standards of BSN Program

The *Essentials of Baccalaureate Education for Professional Nursing Practice*, published in 1998, has been adopted as the professional standard to guide the undergraduate curriculum. The document specifies the components which are essential for all baccalaureate nursing programs. These components are congruent with the curriculum organizing concepts and are integrated into the baccalaureate curriculum.

COMPONENTS

- I. Liberal Education
- II. Professional Values
 - A. Altruism
 - B. Autonomy
 - C. Human Dignity
 - D. Integrity
 - E. Social Justice
- III. Core Competencies
 - A. Critical Thinking
 - B. Communication
 - C. Assessment
 - D. Technical Skills
- IV. Core Knowledge
 - A. Health Promotion, Risk Reduction, and Disease Prevention
 - B. Illness and Disease Management
 - C. Information and Health Care Technologies
 - D. Ethics
 - E. Human Diversity
 - F. Global Health Care
 - G. Health Care Systems and Policy
- V. Role Development
 - A. Provider of Care
 - B. Designer/Manager/Coordinator of Care
 - C. Member of a Profession