

State of Hawaii
University of Hawaii at Manoa
College of Health Sciences and Social Welfare
School of Nursing

FUNCTIONAL STATEMENT

General Introduction

The goal of the School of Nursing is to provide a continuous and adequate supply of dental hygienists and nurses to render service to the community, the state and the Pacific area; to provide leadership in the respective professions; and to participate in and/or conduct research in a changing field of practice. The School provides a teaching-learning environment which enables students to achieve their career goals.

Office of the Dean

The Office of the Dean coordinates the efforts of two departments within the School of Nursing, facilitates policy implementation, evaluates programs, and guides institutional and individual research. The Office of the Dean includes the following units:

1. **Student Services**

The Student Services Unit facilitates admission, student records, transfers of students, and is responsible for matters relating to students and graduates such as studies, reports, foreign student programs, public relations, catalogues and brochures, and student organizations. The unit approves community educational course offerings for continuing education credit.

2. **Administrative Services**

The Administrative Services Unit is responsible for a wide variety of personnel, fiscal and other administrative affairs of the School. It provides technical assistance in the areas to insure that the School is in compliance with federal, state, university, and other applicable regulations and requirements.

3. **Academic Affairs**

The Academic Affairs Unit is responsible for the overall planning, development, organization, direction, and monitoring of the quality of the various academic program offerings in the School of Nursing for nursing and dental hygiene; including but not limited to: Manoa Campus offerings, outreach and flexible program options, and exchange programs for faculty and students.

Academic Programs

1. **Department of Dental Hygiene**

The Department of Dental Hygiene offers the bachelor of science degree which graduates qualified and competent dental hygienists to meet the manpower needs of the State and Pacific Basin area. The B.S. degree provides the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and foundation for personal and professional development and ensures mobility opportunities for admission to graduate schools of dental hygiene, public health, dental schools and others.

2. **Department of Nursing**

The Department of Nursing is responsible for (1) an undergraduate program which offers the bachelor of science degree; (2) a master's degree program designed to prepare advanced practice nurses; and (3) a post-master's certificate in nursing designed for those person's with a master's degree in nursing who wish to pursue a secondary option.

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Aw International Center for Health and Healing Education

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The Aw International Center for Health and Healing Education shares the missions of education, research, practice and service with the School of Nursing and the broader University community.

Major Functions

Provides interdisciplinary and experiential programs.

Develops academic and cultural enrichment initiatives that assist in understanding and enhancing solutions for human health.

Develops new and experimental models of education.

Offers programs which combine the latest advanced in health and healing theory with healing skills; and the Visiting Fellows Program which is a healing-based research and study program focusing on theory, methods, and application of the healing praxis models and mentored research.

Develops complementary and alternative directions for clinical care models through strategic planning efforts.

Provides a focal point for innovative work in nursing education and interdisciplinary professional development, with an emphasis on complementary and alternative health and healing practices.

Conducts or participates in research initiatives.

Develops databases to assist health agencies and ministries to develop national strategic plans.

Maintains a global support program to provide information to improve nursing practices and enhance the role of the nurse in the health care delivery system.