

**Mount Vernon Nazarene University
School of Nursing and Health Sciences
Nursing Department**

Program Outcomes

Graduates of Mount Vernon Nazarene University Nursing Department will be prepared to:

1. **God:** Apply biblical principles to professional nursing practice.
 - 1.1 **Godly Living:** Affirm Godly living as a basis for delivery of nursing care from a biblical perspective.
 - 1.1.1. Recognize opportunities in nursing practice to witness for Christ through service to others.
 - 1.1.2. Understand the influence of personal devotional lives on their nursing practice.
 - 1.1.3. Understand of the role of prayer in healing.
2. **Truth:** Analyze objective/subjective data for scientific merit.
 - 2.1 **Evidence-Based Nursing:** Provide holistic nursing care based on evidence acquired through empirical testing, personal, ethical and aesthetic knowledge.
 - 2.2 Incorporate practice modalities grounded in evidence, while integrating the holistic, faith-driven practices of Christian nurses to care of clients.
 - 2.3 Respect historical truths, while endeavoring to incorporate new evidence into the practice of professional nursing.
 - 2.4 Incorporate evidence from taxonomies such as North American Nursing Diagnostic Association (NANDA), Nursing Intervention Classification (NIC), and Nursing Outcomes Classifications (NOC) into nursing practice.
3. **Persons:** View each person as created in the image of God, therefore worthy of respect and dignity.
 - 3.1. Model professionalism, innovation, collaboration, accountability and leadership in the practice of nursing.
 - 3.2. Advocate for the dignity and worth of the clients they serve and their professional colleagues.
 - 3.3. Incorporate the developmental stage and range of client potentials in planning client care interventions.
 - 3.4. Deliver nursing care with sensitivity to the cultural practices and vulnerabilities of the client and/or community.
4. **Environment:** Recognize the influence of the environment on the health of individuals and communities.
 - 4.1. Incorporate knowledge from environmental sciences into the practice of professional nursing including epidemiologic data, knowledge of environmental hazards, and advocacy for environmental improvements needed to maintain the health of communities.
 - 4.2. Provide for continuity of care as clients transition among various health care settings.
5. **Health:** Convey a Christian worldview of health as the ability to function in harmony with God, self, others and the environment.
 - 5.1. Transform the health of the individual client and the community we serve through the art and science of nursing.
 - 5.2. Improve the health of individuals and communities through an interdisciplinary approach to health promotion and disease prevention.
 - 5.3. Use the nursing process to holistically provide care for the health of individuals, families, and communities.
6. **Nursing:** Deliver nursing care aimed at assisting persons and communities in their response to actual or potential health problems.
 - 6.1. Perform nursing skills according to evidence for best practice in clinical nursing therapeutics.
 - 6.2. **Comfort Care:** Provide compassionate care for the whole person with the aim of facilitating optimal health and providing comfort to all who suffer.
 - 6.3. **Communication:** Communicate effectively with individuals, families, communities and members of the healthcare team through verbal, nonverbal and written communication.
 - 6.4. Acquire and discriminate among vast amounts of healthcare information to determine best practice for client care
 - 6.5. Synthesizes knowledge from multiple sources to enhance nursing practice.
7. **Spiritual Care:** Affirm spiritual care as primary to the health of individuals and society.
 - 7.1. Deliver nursing care with sensitivity to client's beliefs about God and spirituality.
 - 7.2. Respect spiritual beliefs of clients that differ from their own.