

**Major Field Assessment Plan
B. S. Nursing**

The mission of Southeastern Louisiana University is to meet the education and cultural needs, primarily of Southeast Louisiana, to disseminate knowledge and to facilitate life-long learning through quality instruction, research and service in a safe, student-centered environment.

The purpose of the B.S. in Nursing is to prepare students at the baccalaureate level for entry practice as a professional nurse.

Goal 1

To provide theoretical and clinical experiences to enable the student to meet program objectives in preparation for Licensure as a registered nurse.

A. Expected Outcome

Students completing the Baccalaureate program in Nursing are prepared to provide nursing care to diverse clients in collaboration with interdisciplinary health team members.

Assessment

- a. SLU Survey of Undergraduate Alumni
Eighty percent (80%) of the respondents will rate their education as “satisfactory” in preparing them to collaborate with interdisciplinary health team members.
- b. SLU and SON Employer Survey
Eight percent (80%) of the graduates of the Baccalaureate program in Nursing will be evaluated as “good” or “excellent” in working with other health team members.

B. Expected Outcome

Students completing the Baccalaureate program in Nursing are prepared to incorporate critical thinking strategies with appropriate nursing interventions while assuming a leadership role in the design, implementation, and management of nursing care.

Assessment

- a. SLU Exit Survey

- Sixty percent (60%) of the graduates will rate their education as “satisfactory” in preparing them to assume a leadership role in providing nursing care to diverse populations.
- b. SLU and SON Employer Survey
Eighty percent (80%) of the graduates of the Baccalaureate program in Nursing will be evaluated as “good” or “excellent” in preparation for management and leadership skills.
 - c. NCLEX
Eighty-five percent (85%) of the nursing graduates in a given year will pass the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) given by the Louisiana State Board of Nursing.
 - d. Standardized Test Scores
The average score of the graduates of the Baccalaureate Program in Nursing on standardized tests will be at or above the national average.
 - e. Senior Capstone Project
All graduating senior nursing students will participate in the development, implementation, and evaluation of a capstone project.

C. Expected Outcome

Students completing the Baccalaureate program in Nursing are prepared to use professional communication and information technology to acquire, develop, critique, and convey information in nursing practice.

- a. SLU Exit Survey
Sixty percent (60%) of the graduates will rate their education as “satisfactory” in preparing them to use professional communication strategies.
- b. Southeastern and SON Employer Survey
Eighty percent (80%) of the graduates of the Baccalaureate program in Nursing will be evaluated as “good” or “excellent” in their use of communication and technical skills.
- c. Southeastern Survey of Undergraduate Alumni
Eighty percent (80%) of the respondents will indicate satisfaction in the ability to utilize computers.
- d. Senior Capstone Project

All graduating senior nursing students will participate in the development, implementation, and evaluation of a capstone project.

Goal 2

To develop an opportunity for maintaining current knowledge and competence in order to foster professional development and contribute to the nursing profession as leaders in the field.

A. Expected Outcome

Students completing the Baccalaureate program in Nursing are prepared to assume personal responsibility for acquiring and maintaining current knowledge in nursing practice and contribute to the advancement of the nursing profession.

Assessment

a. SLU Exit Survey

Sixty percent (60%) of the graduates will rate their education as “satisfactory” in preparing them to assume personal responsibility for maintaining knowledge and advancing the nursing profession.

b. SON Employer Survey

Eighty percent (80%) of the graduates of the Baccalaureate program in Nursing will be evaluated as “good” or “excellent” in participating in professional development activities.

c. Southeastern Survey of Undergraduate Alumni

Eighty percent (80%) of the respondents of the Southeastern Nursing Program will indicate participation in continuing education activities (including Sigma Theta Tau, professional programs, and professional organizations) as indicated on the alumni questionnaire.

B. Expected Outcome

Students completing the Baccalaureate program in Nursing are prepared to incorporate critical analysis of research findings in providing competent nursing practice based on professional nursing standards and regulatory statutes.

Assessment

a. SLU Exit Survey

Sixty percent (60%) of the graduates will rate their education as “satisfactory” in preparing them to critically assess and incorporate research findings.

b. Standardized Test Scores

The average score of the students within the Baccalaureate Program in Nursing on standardized tests will be at or above the national average.

c. Southeastern and SON Employer Survey

Eighty percent (80%) of the graduates of the Baccalaureate program in Nursing will be evaluated as “good” or “excellent” in the use of current research findings in delivery of nursing care.

Goal 3

To meet the educational needs of the student in order to foster graduation in a timely manner and prepare the student for employment after graduation.

A. Expected Outcome

Students will maintain adequate graduation rates after entering into the first clinical nursing course.

Assessment

a. Southeastern Graduation Rates for the SON

Seventy percent (70%) of full-time students will complete the nursing courses within 5-6 semesters from entering the first nursing clinical course. Seventy percent (70%) of part-time students will complete the nursing courses within 10 semesters from entering the first nursing clinical course.

B. Expected Outcome

Students will receive employment post-graduations

Assessment

a. SON Employer Survey

Eighty percent (80%) of students graduating from the School of Nursing will secure employment within 6 months of graduation as indicated on the Employment Survey.