Chabot College Institutional Core Values and Framework

A. Vision

Chabot College is a learning-centered institution with a culture of thoughtfulness and academic excellence, committed to creating a vibrant community of lifelong learners.

B. Mission Statement

Chabot College is a public, comprehensive community college that prepares students to succeed in their education, progress in the workplace, and engage in the civic and cultural life of the global community. The college furthers student learning and responds to the educational needs of our local population and economy. The college serves as an educational leader, contributing its resources to the intellectual, cultural, physical, and economic vitality of the region. Recognizing that learning is a lifelong journey, the college provides opportunities for intellectual enrichment and physical well-being of all community members who can benefit.

C. Values

LEARNING AND TEACHING
• Supporting a variety of teaching philosophies and learning modalities.
• Providing an environment conducive to intellectual curiosity and innovation.
• Encouraging collaboration that fosters learning.
• Engaging in ongoing reflection on learning by students and by staff.
• Cultivating critical thinking in various contexts.
• Supporting the development of the whole person.

COMMUNITY AND DIVERSITY
• Building a safe and supportive campus community.
• Treating one another with respect, dignity, and integrity.
• Practicing our work in an ethical and reflective manner.
• Honoring and respecting cultural diversity.
• Encouraging diversity in our curriculum and community of learners.

INDIVIDUAL AND COLLECTIVE RESPONSIBILITY
• Taking individual responsibility for our own learning.
• Cultivating a sense of social and individual responsibility.
• Developing reflective, responsible, and compassionate citizens.
• Playing a leadership role in the larger community.
• Embracing thoughtful change and innovation.
Unit Plan: Description of the Unit

Unit: Nursing
Division or Area to Which You Report: Health, Physical Education and Athletics
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Audience: To be read and responded to primarily by Marketing and Outreach
Purpose: Used for public relations, used in catalog and/or brochures, grant applications, Marketing & recruiting materials
Instructions: Write about one paragraph which should include the unit’s mission statement. You may include an image or picture, if you wish. You may use last year’s description with updates or revisions as needed.

The mission and objectives of the Chabot College Nursing Program are derived from the overall stated mission of the College and the Strategic Planning themes. The nursing curriculum provides a foundation that provides the program graduates with skills and expertise to function as an entry-level staff nurse in health care settings. Graduates of the nursing program are in high demand for employment in hospitals and clinics in the geographical area served by Chabot College. Success in passing the Registered Nurse licensing examination on the first attempt has been consistently over the 90% mark for over five years.

Additionally, the curriculum develops the students’ social responsibility and commitment to life-long learning. The nursing program (both students and faculty) has become more diverse over the past several years and more closely reflects the patient population served by the area hospitals. This diversity has been achieved through intensive recruitment of minority faculty and writing grants and seeking scholarship monies to aid at-risk groups and individuals in achieving the goal of becoming a professional nurse. In order to address the issue of a critical shortage of nurses in the community, the nursing program has entered into a partnership with a nearby hospital (Valley Care Health Systems). This has permitted the addition of twenty more students into the nursing program, and has added new adjunct clinical faculty to the nursing program at no cost to Chabot College as the corporation pays their salaries.