

Mission

To provide learning centered educational programs and career development opportunities for healthcare students in support of the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services.

Vision

To be a model learning centered educational system providing a continuum and breadth of education and professional development to promote health in the Los Angeles community.

Values

To guide us in achieving our mission and vision, we believe:

- Education is an indispensable component of high quality and safe patient centered care.
- Education is a dynamic, life long process that promotes and maximizes both personal and professional development.
- Our priority is to respond to the educational needs of our students, the LAC+USC Medical Center, Department of Health Services, and the community.
- Learning activities that provide for freedom of inquiry, self-discovery and sharing of ideas are conducive to individual growth.
- The teaching-learning process is a reciprocal relationship between learner and teacher, which maximizes learner autonomy, and is effective when achievement of learning outcomes is demonstrated.
- The climate of learning is enhanced when the dignity and worth of individuals with different abilities, learning styles, support systems' needs, and cultural and ethnic backgrounds are recognized.
- Ongoing evaluation of our performance and openness to change is essential as programs grow, technology improves, student needs change, and learning methods evolve.
- Teamwork promotes flexibility, collaboration, innovation, and networking.
- Integrity, professionalism, and respect are inherent to our relationships with each other, our students, our partners, and the community.
- Fiscal responsibility is vital to ensuring the maximum benefit from DHS resources.

Motto

"There is no education like it in the world"