

SCHOOL OF NURSING

MISSION & STANDARDS

Mission

The Helen S. Breidegam School of Nursing at Moravian University prepares nursing professionals who blend compassionate art with scientific inquiry and innovation to achieve a transformative education rooted in a rich liberal arts tradition. At its core, the program seeks to develop resilient nurse leaders who collaborate with interprofessional teams to provide safe and quality care in a variety of settings. As nurses, they are acutely aware of the dynamic world and their responsibilities of living in diverse, interdependent communities. The program cultivates a professional nurse graduate who embodies ethics and lifelong learning while providing service to others through a framework of social justice.

Standards

The nursing faculty has selected to utilize as guidelines the nursing education standards established by professional organizations, as published in the most current documents as follows:

American Association of Colleges of Nursing. (2021). *The essentials: Core competencies for professional nursing education*.

<https://www.aacnnursing.org/Portals/42/AcademicNursing/pdf/Essentials-2021.pdf>

American Nurses Association. (2025). *Code of ethics for nurses with interpretive statements*.

Silver Spring, MD: American Nurses Association. <https://codeofethics.ana.org/provisions>

American Nurses Association. (2021). *Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice* (4th ed.).

Silver Spring, MD: American Nurses Association.

APRN Consensus Work Group & the National Council of State Boards of Nursing APRN Advisory Committee. (2008). *Consensus Model for APRN Regulation: Licensure, Accreditation, Certification & Education*. Accessible online at

<https://www.ncsbn.org/nursing-regulation/practice/aprn.page>

Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. (2024). *Standards for accreditation of baccalaureate and graduate nursing programs*.

<https://www.aacnnursing.org/ccne-accreditation>

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Dept of State (2025). *The Pennsylvania Code*. State Board of Nursing (chapter 21). Harrisburg. Retrieved on August 1, 2025, from

<http://www.pacode.com/secure/data/049/chapter21/chap21toc.html>

Nurse Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties ([NONPF] 2022). *National Task Force (NTF) for Quality Nurse Practitioner Education* (6th ed.)
<https://www.nonpf.org/page/NTFStandards>

QSEN Institute. (2025). *QSEN competencies*. <https://www.qsen.org>