School of Health Studies

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MISSION Equip tomorrow's health leaders and global citizens through transformative interdisciplinary research, education, and knowledge mobilization for greater impact.

VISION To be a world leader in health research and education.

VALUES Interdisciplinary • Inclusivity • Innovation • Leadership • Sustainability

OUR STRATEGIES						
EDUCATION: Develop professionals, leaders, and researchers driving change in health and well-being	velop professionals, leaders, and Extend excellence and impact		PEOPLE, COMMUNITY, AND CULTURE: Cultivate a thriving, inclusive, diverse culture for our alumni, students, staff, and faculty		DYNAMIC PARTNERSHIPS: Engage in glocal partnerships to impact health and well-being across the life-course	
Grow programs in innovative and sustainable ways. Create equitable access to opportunities, as we recruit and retain diverse learners both domestically and internationally. Ensure students are well prepared for careers through increased Experiential Learning opportunities. Collaborate with other schools, universities, and faculties for innovative program. Provide relevant and responsive health education.	Building and sustain research capacity through opportunities for faculty and students. Elevate our research profiles glocally. eers through ties. s, and faculties for		Promote a dynamic, supportive space and community that integrates principles of equity, diversity, inclusion, decolonization, and accessibility practises among alumni, students, staff, and faculty. Support a vibrant and thriving culture of education, research, and service. Celebrate the Professional Development of all. Build and sustain strong alumni relations.		Cultivate partnerships with healthcare and community organizations to expand learning and research opportunities. Develop glocal research and educational models with partners. Build intentional partnerships with international universities.	
OUR ACTIVITIES & ACTIONS						
We continue with our unique and innovative curriculum that embeds experiential learning, focuses on competencies and critical appraisal, and leverages our strengths and expertise. We better prepare students for employment. We provide opportunities for students to gain microcredentials. We ensure our human resource strategy aligns to SHS's strategic priorities and objectives, e.g., School of Public Health. We expand local and international opportunities for experiential learning, e.g., practicums, internship, community engaged learning, collaborative online international learning.	develop strong programs relationships with our community research partnerships. programs inclusive meaningful locally We continue to work with Western Research to build our research FHS and	e our research s are dynamic, , flexible, and to create impact to globally. unicate our mpact using Western nications.	We prioritize meeting in- person and online at retreats, scholarly, and social events.	We celebrate alumni, student, staff, and faculty successes via announcements, e.g., SHS and Alumni Newsletters, Good News Emails. We create flexible, dynamic, and inclusive spaces that support research and learning, e.g., SHS Commons Hub.	We create dynamic communication tools and commit to branding consistency to market and promote scholarship, research, and programming across SHS. We strategically foster local, national, and international partnerships by harnessing our networks.	We stay connected to our alumni through our inhouse alumni group and annual events, seeking their wisdom.

OUR FUTURE – SUSTAINIBILITY

Invest in and integrate system level infrastructure for increased efficiency.

Leverage and integrate internal and central resources to support alumni, students, staff, and faculty.

Leverage expertise across alumni, students, staff, and faculty – find ways to share resources and expertise to support common competences and curriculum development.