

NEOSHO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
MARY GRIMES SCHOOL OF NURSING

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Mary Grimes School of Nursing is founded on a belief that the individual is unique and holistic. Individuals have the right to access healthcare that is congruent with personal, ethnic and cultural attributes respective of the role as a health partner. Each individual has dignity and value regardless of personal attributes, socioeconomic status, or nature of health issue. Individuals may be a member of various groups such as family, peers, and/or community and should be regarded within that context.

Nursing as an applied science is based on the biological, physical and behavioral sciences. Intrinsic to the art of nursing is human caring. The goal of nursing is to promote and maintain the individual's maximum function throughout the lifespan through collaboration with the individual and members of the health care team. The nurse advocates for individuals, families, and communities to promote integrity and ongoing growth. Nursing provides safe, quality patient-centered care based upon evidence-based practice.

Learning is a synergistic process involving dynamic interaction between the student and the instructor that is influenced by intrinsic motivation with all students being considered adult learners. The nursing faculty facilitates learning in the education environment. The goal of nursing education is to develop clinical reasoning in a supportive, innovative environment moving from novice to more advanced competencies as defined by the National League for Nursing (NLN) competencies for the Associate Degree nurse.