Mission Statement

As a leader in graduate nursing education for more than a century, Columbia University School of Nursing prepares expert nurse clinicians, researchers, and educators to improve the health of individuals, families and communities in the United States and around the world.

Our emphases on clinical practice, the creation of new knowledge, and leadership in health policy place Columbia Nursing at the forefront of nursing excellence.

Values Statement

We value the pursuit of excellence in nursing by supporting academic integrity and rigor and by encouraging free and open dialogue through interdisciplinary and mutual support.

We value a culture of inclusion by embracing multicultural perspectives among faculty, students and staff and by upholding the principles of health equity, which embrace respect for ethnic and cultural diversity in the care of patients, families and the community.
Strategic Goals 2016-2021

What we achieve

Columbia Nursing excels as the national model for innovative graduate nursing education.

Columbia Nursing leads nursing research & scholarship that transforms national & global health.

Columbia Nursing faculty practice exemplifies accessible, evidence-based, interdisciplinary, & culturally competent primary health care.

How we achieve our goals

Columbia Nursing embodies a culture of respect, integrity & diversity.

Columbia Nursing is the trusted, influential voice on nursing practice, research, health policy & graduate education that improves the public’s health.

Columbia Nursing functions at the highest level of fiscal & administrative accountability, efficiency, & effectiveness.

Columbia Nursing commits to lifelong engagement of alumni & other partners that enhances our reputation, financial strength, mentorship, & global network.
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Strategies

• Strengthen faculty capacity for scholarship and best practice in teaching, learning, and practice to transform and advance nursing and nursing’s contribution to healthcare.
• Enrich multidimensional approaches and integrate teaching technology and simulation for best practices in teaching, learning, and nursing practice.
• Build a model for systematic school-wide assessment for teaching, learning, and nursing practice.
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Strategies

• Expand scholarly collaborations within academic, practice, and policy settings and across disciplines.

• Expand the school’s portfolio in funded global and globally-relevant empirical research.

• Increase the impact of the school’s scholarship and research.
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Strategies

• Partner and integrate with Columbia University Medical Center and affiliates in all areas of clinical practice.

• Increase primary care access to and market share of the Nurse Practitioner Group.

• Design, implement and evaluate future primary health care models for enhanced access, quality, cost, patient experience, and clinical education.
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Strategies

• Foster a culture and climate that values diversity, inclusion, and respect for differences in our students, faculty, and staff.

• Engage and maintain diverse groups in the nursing profession through recruitment, retention, and mentorship.

• Advance and promote outreach and engagement across Columbia Nursing and the community at large.
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Strategies

• Showcase Columbia Nursing’s innovation and excellence in education and research that prepares nurse leaders and clinicians of the future.

• Communicate Columbia Nursing’s leadership in transforming models for primary health care.

• Serve as a thought leader on critical issues in health, health care, science, and policy across local, national, and global populations.
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Strategies

• Prioritize, streamline, and align financial and administrative resources and opportunities to support strategic priorities.

• Foster a professional work environment of wellbeing, transparency, and engagement.

• Improve and enhance information technology, security, storage, and analysis capabilities.
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Strategies

• Develop and enhance communication channels and volunteer opportunities that foster, maintain, and strengthen lifelong engagement of alumni and funding partners with Columbia Nursing.

• Identify and engage individuals and funding partners from organizations, foundations, and corporations whose philanthropic priorities are aligned with Columbia Nursing’s future.