The Nursing major is a designated capstone major. Students complete a clinically based scholarly project that is approved by a designated faculty member. In completing the capstone course, students are expected to show proficiency in the following areas of professional practice:

- Selecting, evaluating, and applying appropriate theory and research findings concerning individual-and population-based health promotion and disease prevention, biobehavioral and health systems, social environmental, and cultural and human diversity to the nursing process with a variety of clients, families, and communities from diverse cultural backgrounds.

- Utilizing the nursing process to promote biopsychosocial health and disease prevention and to support the resources of culturally diverse clients and families in community and/or hospital-based settings.

- Demonstrating effective communication and collaboration skills with clients and their families, research participants, other health professionals, colleagues, and policymakers.

- Identifying practice-based problems and hypotheses and critique research on issues of importance to nursing and healthcare delivery within culturally diverse hospital- and community-based settings.

- Participating effectively in professional and community organizations and/or interest groups relevant to healthcare delivery and modify nursing standards and practices in keeping with current trends.

- Demonstrating leadership as a member of the health team to plan, manage and evaluate care of individuals, families, and communities for culturally diverse populations.

- Practicing hospital- and community-based nursing based upon the principles of ethics, social justice, and law.