Assessment of IUPUI Principles of Undergraduate Learning As related to the BSN Program Outcomes

CRITICAL THINKING (BSN outcome=critical thinker)

Performance Measures	Benchmarks/Performance Expectations	Findings May 2005	Findings May 2006	Findings May 2007	Decisions/Actions
Capstone evaluation (score negotiated among clinical preceptors, students, and faculty)	4.5 or above on a 5.0 scale	4.82 on a 5.0 scale	4.79 on a 5.0 scale	4.78 on a 5.0 scale	Graduates performing above established benchmark for the last three cycles. Faculty continue to implement teaching pedagogies that promote critical thinking for undergraduate students both in the classroom and in clinical experiences. Continue to incorporate critical thinking into new student orientation and as part of the academic skills enhancement series. Goal of the BSN Curriculum Committee for 2007-2008 academic year is to continue to build the concept of evidence-based practice into teaching experiences
EBI Survey results	Graduate means at or above	EBI Core Knowledge	EBI Core Knowledge	EBI Core Knowledge	The comparison schools
Core Knowledge. Includes Dec/May graduates)	national mean and at or above select schools' means	mean (5.27) lower than 5 of 6 select schools (5.45) and lower than mean of all institutions. (5.54) Response rate 94% (N=200)	mean (5.17) lower than 5 of 6 select schools (5.44) and lower than mean of all institutions (5.58) Response rate 82% (165 of 200)	mean (5.31) lower than 4 of 6 select schools (5.41) and lower than mean of all institutions (5.56) Response rate 96% (176 of 183)	were adjusted based on population characteristics for 2006-2007. However results are still below 4 of 6 comparison schools. This measure however is inconsistent with graduate performance on NCLEX
Rubric for critical thinking constructed from the IUPUI Alumni surveys	4.0 or above on a 5.0 scale (3.0=medium ability) (5.0=high ability)		Alumni felt most able to think critically and analytically (4.58) 2005 Alumni Survey (2003-04 graduates)	Alumni surveys will not go out until fall 2007 Based on the 2005 published Continuing Student Survey – 56 students responded over all with 51	Given concerns with response rates the alumni survey has been shortened and redesigned in an effort to increase response rate.

Performance Measures	Benchmarks/Performance Expectations	Findings May 2005	Findings May 2006	Findings May 2007	Decisions/Actions
				(91.07%) indicating medium to high when asked their current ability at IUPUI regarding thinking critically and analytically.	
ATI RN Comprehensive –	Benchmark: Strength 70% or >			Graduates (May 07) scored 63.99% on critical thinking section of ATI – Below benchmark	Findings forwarded to the undergraduate curriculum committee. Need to monitor trend

CORE COMMUNICATIONS and QUANTITATIVE SKILLS (BSN outcome=effective communicator)

Performance	Benchmarks/Performance	Findings	Findings	Findings	Decisions/Actions
Measures	Expectations	May 2005	May 2006	May 2007	
Capstone evaluation (score negotiated among clinical preceptors, students, and faculty)	4.5 or above on a 5.0 scale	4.89 on a 5.0 scale	4.91 on a 5.0 scale	4.90 on a 5.0 scale	This measure continues to be above benchmark. However faculty are working with students on writing skills across courses in the major as this continues to be a challenge for students.
EBI Survey results	Graduate means at or above	EBI Core	EBI Core	EBI Core	This information goes to the
Core Competency. (Includes Dec/May graduates)	national mean and at or above select schools' means	Competency mean (5.53) lower than 5 of 6 select schools (5.71) and lower than all institution data (5.78) Response rate 94% (N=200)	Competency mean (5.35) lower than all select schools (5.82) and lover than mean of all institutions (5.83)	Competency mean (5.46) lower than 4 of 6 select schools (5.78) and lower than mean of all institutions (5.88)	BSN Curriculum committee annually for consideration.
Rubric for communications constructed from the IUPUI Alumni surveys	4.0 or above on a 5.0 scale (3.0= medium ability) (5.0=high ability)		Based on a 5.0 scale alumni from this period (2003-04) feel least adequate in preparing for a presentation (4.0) and most able to read and understand (4.51) and work with others to problem solve (4.36)	Alumni survey has been postponed until Fall 2007 Based on the 2005 published Continuing Student Survey – 56 students responded over all with 56 (100%) indicating medium to high when asked their current ability at IUPUI regarding	2006-2007 Faculty examined the B230 Communication course looking to make this course more relevant to students

Performance Measures	Benchmarks/Performance Expectations	Findings May 2005	Findings May 2006	Findings May 2007	Decisions/Actions
				writing clearly and effectively. 54 (96.43%) indicated medium to high when asked their current ability at IUUI regarding speaking clearly and effectively	
ATI RN Comprehensive –	Benchmark: Strength 70% or >			Graduates (May 07) scored 67.8% on effective communicator portion of ATI. Below benchmark	Findings forwarded to the undergraduate curriculum committee. Need to monitor trend

INTEGRATION AND APPLICATION OF KNOWLEDGE (BSN outcome=competent care provider)

Performance	Benchmarks/Performance	Findings	Findings	Findings	Decisions/Actions
Measures	Expectations	May 2005	May 2006	May 2007	
Capstone evaluation (negotiated along clinical preceptors, students, and faculty)	Competent care provider =4.5 or above on a 5.0 scale Responsible care manager=4.5 or above on a 5.0 scale	Competent care provider = 4.84 Care manager = 4.76	Competent care provider = 4.80 Care manager – 4.80	Competent care provider – 4.80 Care manager – 4.70	This assessment factor continues to be high and is consistent with graduates having secured positions in the workforce prior to graduation as a measure of recognized competence.
EBI Survey results Technical Skills (Dec/May graduates)	Graduate means at or above national mean and at or above select schools' means	EBI Fulfill expectations mean (4.49) lower than 4 of 6 select schools (4.75)) and lower than all institution data (4.77) Technical skills mean (5.86) lower than 4 of 6 select schools (5.97) and lower than all institution data (5.89) Response rate 94% (N=200)	EBI Fulfill expectation mean (3.95) lower than all 6 select schools (4.84) and lower than mean for all institutions (4.79) Technical skills mean (5.65) lower than all 6 select schools (5.99) and lower than mean for all institutions (5.94) Response rate 82% (165 out of 200)	EBI Fulfill expectation mean (4.32) lower than 5 of 6 select schools (4.62) and lower than mean for all institutions (4.90) Technical skills mean (5.77) higher than 3 of 6 select schools (5.85) and lower than mean for all institutions (5.96) Response rate 96% (176 of 183)	These results are inconsistent with the IUPUI graduate results. EBI consistently generates means that are lower than selected comparison schools. These results are also inconsistent with an increasing NCLEX pass rate over the last three years.
Rubric for knowledge of discipline constructed from the IUPUI Alumni surveys	4.0 or above on a 5.0 scale (3.0= medium ability) (5.0=high ability)			Alumni survey has been postponed until Fall 2007	
ATI RN Comprehensive –	Benchmark: Strength 70% or >			Graduates (May 07) scored 66.08% on "cognitive" portion of ATI; same group of graduates scored 66.06% on "nursing process" portion of ATI; group scored 61.5% on "therapeutic nursing interventions" portion of ATI. All are below benchmark.	Findings forwarded to the undergraduate curriculum committee. Need to monitor trend
Employer survey	90% agreement that graduate are competent care providers	Data collected through focus discussion with members of the			Simulations are continuing to be introduced into the clinical learning aspects throughout the curriculum

Performance	Benchmarks/Performance	Findings	Findings	Findings	Decisions/Actions
Measures	Expectations	May 2005	May 2006	May 2007	
	-	IUSON community	-		through funding
		Clinical Agency			opportunities. Evaluation of
		Group			these simulation experiences
		-			demonstrate that students
					do perceive simulations as
					an opportunity to integrate
					knowledge with skills and
					focus on their critical
					problem solving skills.

INTELLECTUAL DEPTH, BREADTH, AND ADAPTIVENESS (BSN outcome=competent care provider)

Performance	Benchmarks/Performance	Findings	Findings	Findings	Decisions/Actions
Measures	Expectations	May 2005	May 2006	May 2007	
Annual RN-CLEX	Meet or exceed the national pass	Annual pass rate	Annual pass rate	Annual pass rate	No actions warranted at
state report of pass	rate as required by the state of	from 1/1/04 through	from 1/1/05 through	from 1/1/06 through	this time—continue to
rates	Indiana	12/31/04 was	12/31/05 was	12/31/06 was	monitor.
	Meet or exceed an 85% annual pass	87.55%. This is	93.12%. This is	97.605% This is	
	rate for first-time test takers	above benchmark.	above benchmark.	above benchmark.	
EBI Exit Survey	Graduate means at or above	EBI Satisfaction	EBI Satisfaction	EBI Satisfaction	Again, these data are not
Satisfaction &	national mean and at or above	mean (4.51) lower	mean (3.95) is lower	mean (4.34) lower	consistent with NCLEX
Recommendation	select schools' means	than 4 of select	than all 6 select	than 5 of 6 select	performance or ATI
(Dec/May		schools (4.72) and	schools (4.84) and	schools (4.66) and	testing on the
graduates)		lower than all	lower than mean for	lower than mean for	achievement test
		institutional data	all institutions	all institutions	
		(4.60)	(4.79)	(4.87)	
		EBI	EBI	EBI	
		Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	
		mean (4.51) lower	mean (3.88) lower	mean (4.34) lower	
		than 5 of select	than all 6 select	than 5 of 6 select	
		schools (4.78) and	schools (4.99) and	schools (4.83) and	
		lower than all	lower than mean for	lower than mean for	
		institutional data	all institutions	all institutions	
		(478)	(4.84)	((4.96)	
		Response rate 94%	Response rate 82%.	Response rate 96%	
		(N=200)	(165 of 200)	(176 of 183)	
Alumni Survey	Agree on a "strongly agree to	Data too	Poor response rate	Alumni survey has	Based on poor response
Ĭ	strongly disagree" scale	inconclusive to	so results not	been postponed	rates the alumni survey
	 Satisfaction with abilities 	report due to poor	considered helpful	until Fall 2007	has been revised and the
	and skills	response rate	_		process revamped in an
	 Satisfaction with support 	=			attempt to increase
	facilities				response rates and make
	 Prepared for the future 				this assessment

Performance Measures	Benchmarks/Performance Expectations	Findings May 2005	Findings May 2006	Findings May 2007	Decisions/Actions
3,200,000	Meet program outcomes		<i>y</i>		mechanism more valid
EBI Nursing Exit Survey Overall Satisfaction & recommend to friend (Dec/May graduates)	Graduate means at or above national mean and at or above select schools' means	94% rate of respond (N=200) Graduates rate satisfaction (4.75) lower than 4 of 6 comparison schools	82% rate of response (165 of 200) Graduate rated satisfaction lower than both national average and average of comparison schools. The average for "recommending nursing program to a friend" was 3.88 which again was below national and comparison school averages.	96% rate of response (176 of 183) graduates rated satisfaction lower than both national average and average of comparison schools. The average for "recommending nursing program to a friend" was 4.34 which again was below national and comparison school averages.	The associate dean for undergraduate programs has instituted a something in hopes of increasing student satisfaction—need to fill in more here++++.
ATI RN Comprehensive –	Benchmark: Strength 70% or >			Graduates (May 07) scored 66.08% on "cognitive" portion of ATI; same group of graduates scored 66.06% on "nursing process" portion of ATI; group scored 61.5% on "therapeutic nursing interventions" portion of ATI. All are below benchmark.	Findings forwarded to the undergraduate curriculum committee. Need to monitor trend
SON graduation data base	85% class graduation rate and 90% overall graduation rate	75 graduated either on track (52) or one semester earlier than projected (23). 13 are on track to graduate within 6 months of proposed graduation date, 5 are on track to graduate within one year of proposed graduation date. 102 students admitted with 93 graduating/expected to graduate.	119 graduated on track; 13 are on track to graduate within 6 months of proposed graduation date, 3 are on track to graduate within one year of proposed graduation date. 154 students admitted with 136 expecting to graduate	193 started the program during the Sp 04 and F04 142 (73.6%), graduated on time; 14 (7.2%)	Faculty implemented a revised admission policy for fall 2007 in an effort to both further diversify the student body and to retain this diversification to graduation. The impact of change will need to be monitored to determine if this impacts student retention and decreases absolute attrition.
Attrition records	10% or less attrition for personal reasons and a 5% attrition for	8.8% - 9 out of 102. Of the 9 – 4 dropped	11% - 18 out of 154. Of the 18, 14	193 started the program during the	Current data indicates that we are close to

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Measures	Expectations	May 2005	May 2006	May 2007	
	academic performance	out in good standing, 1	dropped out in good standing, 1 student	Sp 04 and F04 142 (73.6%), graduated	benchmarks. The student success initiatives have
		transferred to	never started	on time; 14 (7.2%)	been a 2006-2008 focus
		another major, 3	nursing courses, and	graduated 3-6	for the Director of
		students transferred	3 students failed out	months post	Diversity and have as
		to another IU	of the program.	anticipated	noted by the 5% fail rate
		campus for nursing,		graduation date; 15	effective. This fail rate is
		and 1 student failed		(7.8%) still in the	consistent with the
		out of nursing		nursing program; 12	potential for academic
		courses.		(6.2%) dropped out	success demonstrated by
				in good standing;	the academic success of
				and 10 (5.2%) failed	those admitted to the
				out of the nursing	program.
				program	

UNDERSTANDING SOCIETY AND CULTURE (BSN outcome=culturally competent person)

Performance	Benchmarks/Performance	Findings	Findings	Findings	Decisions/Actions
Measures	Expectations	May 2005	May 2006	May 2007	
Capstone evaluation	Culturally competent=4.5 or above on a 5.0 scale	4.88 on a 5.0 scale	4.84 on a 5.0 scale	4.78 on a 5.0 scale	Need to continue to focus on issues of diversity across the curriculum. Beginning with the 2006 academic year diversity has been a major focus of IUPUI and the School of Nursing is seen as a leader in the strategies that have been implemented in the school to increase students' ability to provide culturally sensitive nursing care.
EBI Nursing Survey Professional Values (Dec/May graduates)	Graduate means at or above national mean and at or above select schools' means	EBI Professional Value mean (6.05) lower than 4 of 7 select schools (6.13) and lower than all institution mean (6.11) Culturally competent care mean (6.03) lower than 4 of select schools (5.98 mean) and higher than all institution data (6.01))	EBI Professional Value mean (5.83) lower than 5 of 6 select schools (6.10) and lower than all institution mean (6.15) Culturally competent care mean (5.84) lower than 3 of 6 select schools (5.83) and lower than all institution mean (6.05)	EBI Professional value mean (5.83) was lower than 5 of 6 select schools (6.09) and equal to the 6th and lower than all institutions mean (6.18) Culturally competent mean (5.79) lower than 4 of 6 select schools (5.86) and lower than all institution mean (6.08)	The Director of Diversity continues to offer programs throughout the academic year that expose students to different cultural beliefs and behaviors that shape global health care issues.

VALUES AND ETHICS (BSN outcomes=conscientious practitioner and a professional role model)

Performance	Benchmarks/Performance	Findings	Findings	Findings	Decisions/Actions
Measures	Expectations	May 2005	May 2006	May 2007	
Capstone evaluation	Conscientious practitioner and professional role model=4.5 or above on a 5.0 scale		Group aggregate mean for role model = 4.93	4.96 on a 5.0 scale	Significant faculty work has gone into strengthening learning experiences for students in the ethics course and the relation of ethics and values to the practice of nurses.

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