— Teaching Excellence —

Excellence in teaching is determined by multiple factors. The primary focus of the Department of Health Science in promoting quality teaching and learning is on the instructional practices within and outside of the classroom and the professional characteristics of the course instructor. The Department of Health Science values the following:

**Instructor characteristics**
- Passionate
- Culturally competent
- Up-to-date and well informed in subject area
- Well-prepared for all class meetings
- Reflective

**Instructional practices**
- Clear expectations
- Focus on knowledge acquisition, skill development and critical thinking
- Use of a variety of instructional activities
- Active engagement of students in learning
- Formative assessment with meaningful feedback
- Authentic and diverse assessment
- Alignment of objectives with instructional activities and assessments
- Access and engagement between instructor and students