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Service learning: Community involvement for CCBC nursing students

Service learning is an impressive educational tool that incorporates community work into the curriculum. It encompasses three main components: service, curricular connection, and reflection. Service learning helps students emerge from the theoretical world gained in the classroom to the real world learning experiences. Nursing students are given this learning opportunity to apply knowledge gained in the classroom to reality by getting hands-on experience in the community. Students are evaluated on their ability to connect their course readings to class discussions and to their volunteer work. Class discussions and written materials are meant to demonstrate analytical thinking and use of college and community resource by students. Service learning creates a win-win situation where the student meets a community need, and the community organizations build student knowledge that relates to nursing.

Biography

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