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The Rector,
Near East University,
Nicosia,
North Cyprus,

Dear Sir,

REPORT OF ACCREDITATION VISIT TO NEAR EAST UNIVERSITY, NICOSIA, NORTH CYPRUS – OCTOBER, 2018

I wish to forward to you the report of the above mentioned visit for your information and necessary action.

Members of the Accreditation team:

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The team was warmly received and had a pre-visit meeting with the lecturers of the University in the Board Room of the University Hospital. After exchange of pleasantries and introduction, the team proceeded for the inspection of the facility.

In the Faculty of Nursing, the Dean of the Faculty welcomed and thanked the team. She stated that the visit will provide opportunity for collaboration. She briefed members on the history of faculty and the training of the Nurses and their prospects after qualification. She further added that the faculty has vision and mission statements. She also said the University presently admits students from one hundred and twenty (120) Countries.

She said that the total European Credit Unit (ECU) to be attained by every student is two hundred and forty (240) credit units and two hundred and fifty (250) of them are Foreign Nursing students from African Countries but only ninety-eight are from Nigeria.

The Faculty of Nursing is located in an eleven (11) storey building comprising of the classrooms, lecture theatre, skill laboratory, lecturers' offices and in addition, other offices that will be utilized for other purposes.

Below is the detailed report:

1.0 Establishment:

The University is established on the approval of the Ministry of Higher Education of the North Cyprus. The faculty which started as a School in 1973, transited progress through stages until 1994 when it became "High School of Nursing Professional" to award diploma certificate.

In the academic year 2007 – 2008, the School of Nurses of the Faculty of Health Sciences of Near East University started the four (4) years BA and MA programs in Nursing.

The school finally became a Faculty of Nursing in 2018 and became the first faculty of Nursing of Turkish Republic of North Cyprus.

The length of training is four (4) years and the mode of study is four years.

2.0 Academic Matters:

The Faculty curriculum for Nursing is available. It contains minimum entry requirement including the requirement for the transfer student, Examination regulation, Assessment and Grading system.

The curriculum specifies the learning outcomes and courses description. It is adequate in content and coverage but needs some minor adjustment.

The Institutional records are available and adequate.

3.0 Staffing:

The Faculty of Nursing is made up of twenty-nine (29) staff eight of whom are Professors in Nursing. The University has a well-established staff development programme. Because of the expand of the Nursing courses and arrangement for the award of the Post Graduate Degree courses, University may require to increase the number of Professors to meet the emerging demands.

The University has provision for Staff Development Programme

4.0 PHYSICAL FACILITIES

4.1 Office Accommodation

There are many academic staff offices in the University that are well-furnished, spaced and adequate in number.

4.2 Class Room

The Faculty has two (2) dedicated classrooms that are , well ventilated, spacious, well-furnished and well lit. There are other classes in the faculty that are used by other group of students.

The two (2) dedicated classrooms are of two hundred (200) sitting capacity each.

4.3 Science Laboratory

There are laboratories in the University and the Nursing students attend classes in the related ones.

4.4 Skilled Laboratory

Skill laboratory is available; they are two (2) in number. Each has a good number of beds, dummies, equipment and instrument for learning.

There are also manikins for demonstration.

4.5 Library

The University has a world class library with e-cataloging search system which allowed the students opportunity to locate books in the Library from the comfort of their homes or rooms, or from any location where they can go online. The University library membership is free. The library has very good volumes of Nursing textbooks, journals and magazine.

4.6 Residence Hall

The Near East University has on campus residence halls of high quality buildings equipped with comfort in mind and designed specially to provide students with a peaceful and secure environment.

4.7 Auditorium

The faculty has a large auditorium of two hundred and fifty (250) capacity. It has a podium and it is well furnished with chairs and tables.

5.0 CLINICAL AREA

The University has an ultra Modern hospital that will provide patients comfort and hasten recovery process. It is a twelve (12) storey building.

The hospital has adequate personnel especially the Nursing force. The Nurses run three (3) shifts to provide care to the patients.

The hospital has departments, wards and units with adequate equipment.

The hospital has a bed capacity of modern four hundred (400) beds; each of the rooms in the wards accommodate between two (2) – four (4) beds.

The patients' records are adequately kept but the hospital does utilize Nursing process in the care of patient. Nevertheless, Nursing duties are properly documented.

OBSERVATIONS

Strength

1. The University was established on the approval of the Federal Ministry of Education, Turkish Republic of North Cyprus.
2. The available curriculum is adequate and comprehensive.
3. There are adequate number of human and material resources.
4. The University and its facilities are of world standard.

Deficiencies

1. The curriculum needs to be reviewed to accommodate more courses.
2. The allotted credit units of some courses should also be reviewed
3. In the clinical area, there is need for additional number of Nursing Lecturers
4. No adequate number of Nursing textbooks and journals in the Library.
5. Students may have language barrier in communicating with patients, since the students are not Turkish language speakers.
6. No clinical preceptors to supervise students learning
7. No student log book to monitor students' level of proficiency.
8. Nursing process is not fully utilized in the care of patient and it is a global concept.

RECOMMENDATIONS


It is of importance that the identified areas of deficiencies are rectified to enhance student learning.

CONCLUSION

The Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria is satisfied with available human and material resources for the training of Nurses at Near East University.

The University and the clinical environment are adequate to meet the global standard of training.

The graduates from Near East University, Nicosia, Turkish Republic of North Cyprus shall be registered to practice in Nigeria after fulfilling all the Registration requirement of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as enshrined in the act of the Council.


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