Strategic Plan for Department of Nutrition Science

Mission

To provide a premier environment for excellence in discovery, learning, and engagement in Nutrition Science.

Strategy

Let discovery drive engagement and learning in our signature areas of:

1. Calcium, Vitamin D, and Bone
2. Diet, Energy Balance and Fitness
3. Botanicals
4. Cancer Prevention

Foster collaborations on campus, within the state, nationally, and internationally to address important nutrition questions related to our signature areas and to enhance the environment for all relevant constituencies.
Strengthen and expand the Department of Nutrition Science’s impact, value, and credibility

Increase impact, value, and translation of scientific contribution

- Develop More Collaborative Interdepartmental, Interdisciplinary, and Inter-institutional Research Projects/Grants
- Increase the Visibility of Departmental Research
- Broaden Faculty Participation in Leadership Positions
- Increase Undergraduate Interest in NUTR Faculty Research

Train next generation of scientific and professional leadership

- Improve Critical Thinking/Problem Solving/Creative/Innovative/Communication Skills
- Provide/Develop/Individualize Opportunities for Professional Development for Grads
- Encourage Student Involvement in Leadership Positions
- Increase Undergraduate Student Awareness of Advanced Education

Increase quality, dissemination, and visibility of engagement

- Increase Visibility & Awareness of Engagement/Extension Activities
- Develop New Tools To Evaluate Impact of Engagement Activities
- Increase Student Involvement in Engagement/Extension

Strengthen credibility, value, and visibility with stakeholders

- Ensure Excellence In Scholarly Activities
- Increase Contact with Stakeholders Nationally and Globally w/ Information on NUTR

Build and leverage all departmental resources

- Develop and Implement Space Plan
- Optimize Faculty/Staff Time Allocation
- Increase Diversity of Faculty & Employees

Build department’s alignment within the new college of HHS and the University

- Increase NUTR faculty in Leadership Positions On Campus
- Coordinate Research Activities
- Promote Collaborative Hires
- Build Integrated Health and Nutrition Programs