

The University of New England's <u>mission and core values statements</u> express the institution's commitment to providing students with a learning experience that will

UNE students engage with planetary health issues across the curriculum. The core curriculum for undergraduates highlights skills and knowledge needed to engage positively in an interconnected, 21st century world. The College of Arts and Sciences Core Curriculum (Core) invites students to explore four themes from multiple disciplinary perspectives and to develop important skills. Students focus on a theme each year: Environmental Awareness (first year), Social and Global Awareness (second year), Critical Thinking (third year), and Citizenship (fourth year). Skills of communications, quantitative reasoning, and critical thinking are taught throughout the Core. Designed to provide a foundation in the liberal arts, the Core reflects the values of the college and prepares students for living informed, thoughtful, and active lives in a complex and changing society.

The Westbrook College of Health Professions (WCHP) Common Curriculum is designed to provide undergraduate students with the opportunity to engage in liberal arts and science course work while exploring health profession study. Elements of the College of Arts and Sciences Core Curriculum provide academic offerings in creative arts, social-global awareness, humanities exploration, and advanced studies/ human traditions course work. Study in the arts and sciences supports the development of effective communication skills, critical thinking abilities, quantitative reasoning and

curriculum. Professional programs in Dental Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine and Pharmacy emphasize the role of each discipline in meeting community health needs and goals.

<u>The College of Dental Medicine</u> places students in communities and settings where their service is needed most. Their experiences emphasize the development of communication skills through direct patient contact, take place in a variety of settings, and students interact with many at-risk populations (e.g., pregnant mothers,

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international Masters' Degree programs and new cooperative marine research and entrepreneurship.

UNE was a founding member of the Maine North Atlantic Arctic Education Consortium in 2016. Created to harness the energy and strengths of the three Maine higher education institutions represented at the Arctic Circle Assembly in 2015- UNE,