

Atlantic Region
Canadian Association for Schools of Nursing

Strategic Plan

2022-2027

VISION

Atlantic Schools of Baccalaureate Nursing collaborating for the advancement of education and research for faculty/educators and students

MISSION

- To provide an organizational body to promote the advancement of Baccalaureate nursing education and research in Atlantic Canadian Schools of Nursing
- To collaborate with other regions in meeting the objectives of the Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing (CASN/ACÉSI)

STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS

1. Promote ARCASN's profile in nursing, healthcare, education, and policy communities.
2. Provide a forum for the examination of issues related to the scholarship of nursing education, research, and practice in Atlantic Canada.
3. Monitor trends and disseminate information about issues of regional relevance to nursing education.
4. Encourage and support the development of scholarly activities by faculty in the areas of education and the scholarship of teaching, integration, application, and discovery within the Atlantic Region.
5. Provide leadership for nursing education in the Atlantic region.
6. Promote inclusivity, diversity, equity, and accessibility among baccalaureate nursing programs within the Atlantic Region.

Strategic Direction 1		
Increase ARCASN's profile in the nursing, healthcare, education, and policy communities.		
<u>Activities</u>	<u>By Whom</u>	<u>By When</u>
1. Encourage ARCASN members to participate in CASN Task Forces.	Executive	Ongoing
2. Invites students and provides sponsorship for up to five students from Host site to attend the ARCASN conference and the Annual General Meeting annually as an observer. Any other student will only be charged the cost of recovery for meals and refreshments.	AGM Host Site	Semester prior to the conference and AGM
3. Liaison with CASN for website maintenance	President	Ongoing
4. Disseminate annual school reports via website	President	Annually
5. Promote ARCASN activities to broader nursing and health care communities via email and ARCASN's social media presence	President/Executive	Ongoing

Strategic Direction 2		
Provide a forum for the examination of issues related to nursing education, research/scholarship, and practice in Canada.		
<u>Activities</u>	<u>By Whom</u>	<u>By When</u>
1. Promote annual ARCASN conference which focus on issues related to nursing education, research, and practice in Canada	Executive	Ongoing
2. Encourage ARCASN members to bring forth issues for discussion at ARCASN meetings.	Executive	Ongoing

Strategic Direction 3		
Monitor trends and advocate for issues of relevance to nursing education		
<u>Activities</u>	<u>By Whom</u>	<u>By When</u>
1. Disseminate CASN information requiring discussion and response	President/Executive	Ongoing
2. Collaborate with other groups on issues as deemed appropriate by the Executive Committee (e.g., Education and Advocacy Network).	Executive	Ongoing
3. Address issues of equity and fairness within nursing education and/or public policy (e.g., Indigenization).	President/Executive	Ongoing

Strategic Direction 4		
Encourage and support the development of scholarly activities by faculty in the areas of education and the scholarship of teaching, integration, application, and discovery¹ within the Atlantic Region.		
<u>Activities</u>	<u>By Whom</u>	<u>By When</u>
1. Promote membership application for educational funding available through ARCASN.	Sub Committee on Education	Annually
2. Promote membership application for research funding available through ARCASN	Sub Committee on Research	Annually
3. Provide repayable start-up funds to the amount of 1000\$ for the annual regional conference.	Executive	Annually
4. Collaborate with pertinent associations in the hosting of regional or national conferences	Executive	Ongoing

1. Boyer, E., Moser, D., Ream, T.C., & Braxton, J.M. (2015). *Scholarship reconsidered: Priorities of the professoriate* (expanded edition). San Francisco: Jossey Bros.

Strategic Direction 5

Provide leadership in setting and maintaining standards for nursing education in the Atlantic Region

<u>Activities</u>	<u>By Whom</u>	<u>By When</u>
1. Nominate ARCASN members to the CASN Task forces.	Executive	Ongoing
2. Encourage membership to be involved as accreditation reviewers from the Atlantic provinces.	Executive	Ongoing
3. Provide feedback on CASN task forces to ARCASN.	President/Executive	Ongoing
4. Encourage membership to be involved in their respective provincial nursing association/college.	President/Executive	Ongoing

Strategic Direction 6

Promote inclusivity for all persons, diversity, equity, and accessibility among baccalaureate nursing programs within the Atlantic Region

<u>Activities</u>	<u>By Whom</u>	<u>By When</u>
1. Seek to nominate ARCASN members to CASN Task forces relating to equity, diversity, inclusivity, and accessibility.	Executive	Ongoing
2. Encourage diversity among ARCASN membership from the Atlantic provinces.	Executive	Ongoing
3. Provide feedback on CASN task forces to ARCASN.	President/Executive	Ongoing

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