



BU CARES

The BU CARES Institutional Learning Objectives

The acronym BU CARES stands for the BUSM education program's seven fundamental objectives, which describe the knowledge, skills, and attitudes that every graduate should possess. The principles behind BU CARES guide the management of the curriculum, inform student assessments, and form the basis of all course and clerkship learning objectives.

THE BUSM GRADUATE:

B

Behaves in a caring, compassionate and sensitive manner toward patients and colleagues of all cultures and backgrounds, using effective interpersonal and communication skills (This links to two of the six required general competencies of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education: Interpersonal and Communication Skills and Professionalism)

U

Uses the science of normal and abnormal states of health to prevent disease, to recognize, and diagnose illness and to provide an appropriate level of care (Medical Knowledge; Patient Care)

C

Communicates with colleagues and patients to ensure effective interdisciplinary medical care (Interpersonal and Communication Skills; Patient Care)

A

Acts in accordance with the highest ethical standards of medical practice (Professionalism)

R

Rearches and critically appraises biomedical information and is able to contribute to the advancement of science and to the practice of medicine (Practice-based Learning and Improvement; Medical Knowledge)

E

Exhibits commitment and aptitude for life-long learning and continuing improvement as a physician (Practice-based Learning)

S

Supports optimal patient care through identifying and using resources of the health care system (Systems-based Practice; Patient Care)

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