



## **MISSION, VISION and VALUES**

### **Vision**

To be a leading and transformative academic health center.

### **Mission**

The Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) is a public institution of higher learning the purpose of which is to preserve and optimize human life in South Carolina and beyond. The university provides an interprofessional environment for learning and discovery through education of health care professionals and biomedical scientists, research in the health sciences, and provision of comprehensive health care. The university is committed to fulfillment of its responsibilities:

- Educate students to become caring, compassionate, ethical, and proficient health care professionals and creative biomedical scientists.
- Promote teamwork competencies to be applied in a collaborative, interprofessional health care delivery and research setting.
- Recruit and develop dedicated, scholarly educators who inspire their students to lifelong learning in the service of human health.
- Offer educational opportunities to graduates, faculty and staff; to other biomedical scientists and practicing health professionals; and to the public.
- Seek and welcome students, scholars, and staff regardless of gender, race, age, nationality, religion, or disability, while emphasizing the benefits of diversity.
- Conduct research in the health sciences, advancing knowledge and encouraging new responses to health care needs including interprofessional delivery of health care.
- Provide excellence in patient care in an environment that is respectful of others, adaptive to change, accountable for outcomes, delivered by coordinated interprofessional teams, and attentive to the needs of underserved populations.
- Advance economic development by introducing new technology and fostering research links with industry and other academic institutions.
- Optimize the use of all resources, including financial support from the state and revenues generated from research, clinical operations, and philanthropy.
- Provide leadership to the state in efforts to promote health and prevent disease.
- Serve as a state resource in health policy, education, and related matters for other institutions and the general public.

As South Carolina's only comprehensive academic health center providing a full range of programs in the biomedical sciences, the Medical University of South Carolina is engaged in activities statewide. Its campus is located on more than 50 acres in the city of Charleston. More than 2,400 students in six colleges (Dental Medicine, Graduate Studies, Health Professions, Medicine, Nursing, and Pharmacy) study for degrees at the baccalaureate, masters, doctoral, and other professional levels. The University also provides residency training for over 500 graduate health professionals. The teaching staff is comprised of approximately 1,200 full-time and 150 part-time faculty.

## Values

- integrity
- trust
- respect
- social responsibility
- fiscal responsibility
- cultural competence
- adaptability
- sustainability

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