NURSING DEPARTMENT PSYCHOLOGICAL COUNSELING AND GUIDANCE COMMISSION

Commission Members	
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Mission: The commission that identifies students' needs, plans preventive and developmental guidance activities, collaborates with relevant units, and refers students to professional support services when necessary in order to support students' psychosocial well-being and their adaptation to university life and professional education.

Duties, authorities, and responsibilities

1. To plan and coordinate activities that support students' adaptation to university life, nursing education, and clinical practice.
2. To organize trainings, seminars, and awareness activities on topics such as coping with stress, effective communication, and problem solving.
3. To collaborate with relevant faculty members and university units to support coping with emotional difficulties and challenging experiences encountered in clinical practice.
4. To inform students about the university's psychological counseling services, health services, and other support resources; to facilitate their access to these services.
5. To refer students who apply to the committee with individual support needs to authorized specialists and relevant units in line with their needs.
6. In cases where urgent psychosocial support needs or safety risks are reported, to ensure communication with authorized units and appropriate referral in accordance with the university's relevant procedures.
7. To collaborate with academic advisors, student representatives, relevant committees, and the university's psychological counseling unit within the scope of the assigned responsibilities.
8. To monitor the activities carried out through student feedback and appropriate evaluation methods; to develop improvement recommendations based on the results.
9. To protect students' privacy and personal data; to share information in application and referral processes only to the necessary extent and with authorized individuals.

10. To observe the principles of volunteerism, accessibility, equality, non-discrimination, and professional ethics in the studies.
11. To prepare the annual activity report containing the commission's activities and improvement recommendations, without including students' identifying information, and submit it to the Department Head.
12. To carry out the commission's work within the limits of guidance, coordination, and direction; in cases requiring expert evaluation or treatment, to refer students to the university's psychological counseling unit or to appropriate health institutions.