## **ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

## LEARNING MODALITIES DEFINITIONS IN POST-LICENSURE AND GRADUATE NURSING PROGRAMS

## Didactic Learning

Didactic learning occurs online and is concept-based.

• **Concept-Based Theory (CBT):** Conceptual learning is an educational method that centers on big-picture ideas and learning how to organize and categorize information. Unlike traditional learning models which concentrate on the ability to recall specific facts with rote memorization, conceptual learning focuses on understanding of broader principles or ideas (concepts) that can be applied to a variety of specific situations. Conceptual learning engages learners in thinking critically about new subjects and situations, developing sound reasoning abilities by comparing new situations to previous encounters.

Experiential Learning

• Applied Field Experience (AFE): Applied field experience activities include community- or practice-based application of previously acquired knowledge and skills and require submission of written assignments based on this application.