Mission Statement

The mission of the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, as a comprehensive academic health center, is to educate students at the professional, graduate and undergraduate levels to become highly qualified health services practitioners, educators and research scientists; to conduct research and creative activities for the advancement of knowledge through teaching and development of skills; and to provide continuing education public service and clinical care of exemplary quality.

The Profiles of OU Health Sciences Center is designed to highlight the focus of our mission statement in regard to its student, faculty and staff population. It is complementary to the Norman Campus section in layout design but includes an additional emphasis on the specialized medical career training of the Health Sciences Center. Both graduate research and health professional training are sponsored by all colleges within the OU Health Sciences Center. The Graduate College also provides a unique role in the oversight of all graduate level research, master's thesis and doctoral dissertation committees. The “Health Professional” designation represents a career emphasis that results in a professional degree or certification for public health and health service practitioners, and the “Graduate College MS/PhD” designation represents graduate-level research sponsored by the college. Degree-seeking students from the Norman Campus and non-degree students are categorized separately.