The overarching guiding principle of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences is “Learning to Care for Those in Harm’s Way”. The Graduate Programs within the Department of Preventive Medicine and Biometrics is committed to this guiding principle and to the following values:

1. **Students**  
   We value a close interaction between students and faculty to support individualized learning.

2. **Health and Fitness**  
   We value disease and injury prevention and health promotion in optimizing military readiness and improving the health of our community.

3. **Military Relationship**  
   We value innovative responsiveness to the changing needs of the Uniformed Services.

4. **Research**  
   We value research that enhances the learning environment, is mission-focused, scientifically rigorous, and public-health oriented.

5. **Academic Excellence**  
   We value high quality faculty and staff who embody critical and innovative thinking and who reflect an appropriate balance in research, teaching, and service activities to promote a scholarly environment.

6. **Public Service**  
   We value service, including humanitarian and military, in support of public health.

7. **Ethics**  
   We value the principles of ethics from three traditions: medicine, the military, and academia. These principles include service to others, honor, loyalty, truthfulness, and integrity.