

Table 2

Two-Cycle Qualitative Coding

Question Topic	First-Cycle Codes (Descriptive)	Second Cycle (Pattern)
Decision to Attend the College	Allegiance to the college	College choice
	Online program	College choice
	Major they wanted	College choice
	Close to home	College choice
Challenges	Workload	Heavy workload
	Too many group projects	Heavy workload, assignments
	Assignment redundancy	Heavy workload, assignments
Quality	Instructors vary in their ability to communicate	Communication
	College didn't communicate during application phase	Communication
	Instructions for assignments not clear	Communication, assignments
Improvements	Some students had no health science background	Students should have some background in health science
	Had to learn how to take an online course	Adjustment to online learning
	Instructors showed personal interest	Instructors' interest in students varied, teacher support
	Instructors were unavailable	Instructors' interest in students varied, teacher support