Nursing Services

West-MEC 2027-28

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ONE-YEAR PROGRAM - 450-hour program

- Experience the satisfaction of caring for others by performing daily living activities for patients in long-term care and other healthcare settings.
- Work alongside a registered nurse in a clinical environment to take vital signs, provide personal hygiene, and deliver mobility assistance.
- Provide compassionate care for patients and their families in a variety of settings.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS*

- Current Junior and Senior students may apply (Sophomores may not apply)
- West-MEC Requirements:
  - Two credits of English with a C or better
  - One credit of Algebra II with a C or better, transcript due to West-MEC by June 15th
  - Two credits of Lab Science with a C or better - One credit must be Biology
  - A Rubric Score of 42 or above (70 points possible). Rubric scores are calculated by the student's high school counselor.
  - Complete and up-to-date immunizations. Must provide a copy of immunization record (*if not documented on transcript*) at time of submitting the application to the counselor. - No immunization exemptions per the State Board of Nursing
- State Board of Nursing Requirements Once in the Program:
  - Failure of any requirement will result in dismissal from the program
    - Drug screening
    - Level 1 DPS Fingerprint Clearance Card
    - Health screening by a licensed provider
    - Current / Updated Immunization Records
    - Agency clinical hours (practicum)
    - Clinical agency requirements - Flu shot will be required & TB testing
    - U.S. Government-issued photo-bearing form of identification (for certification/licensure examination)
    - Nursing Services is overseen by the State Board of Nursing, which requires a practicum.
    - Immunizations are required by the clinical agencies in which nursing students complete their practicum.
- Copy of unofficial transcript
- Proof of residency in West-MEC district boundaries
- Copy of birth certificate
- Transportation is not provided by West-MEC. Families are responsible for providing transportation to and from West-MEC.

*Program requirements are subject to change per industry age restrictions, credentials requirements, and administrative discretion.

*Students who do not meet program requirements or have a rubric score of 41 or below will be placed on a Student Success Action Plan (SSAP). High School counselors will work with the student to develop an SSAP for consideration of acceptance at the end of semester two, based on program availability.

Meeting program requirements does not guarantee enrollment.

COST REQUIREMENTS

Upon enrollment into the program:

- $300.00 registration fee ($150 non-refundable) that includes enrollment processing, supplies, stethoscope, CTSO Membership, criminal background check, drug screening, TB testing, & uniform shirts. Other uniforms/supply requirements are the responsibility of the student. Registration fees are non-refundable.
  - If you decline your seat **PRIOR** to the first day of class, $150 may be refunded.
  - The $300 Registration Fee is non-refundable **after day 1 of class**.
  - CTSO Leadership development training is embedded through membership and participation in the Career and Technical Student Organization | HOSA.
- Students are responsible for scrub pants, an analog watch, and closed-toe shoes that fully cover the back of the foot are required. Backless shoes are not permitted. Current immunizations, flu shots, and health screening (student responsibility)
- Level 1 DPS Fingerprint Clearance Card ($67)

Optional Costs:

- It is recommended students have access to a personal computer and reliable internet outside of class to complete assignments and projects.

Tuition requirements apply to the following students. Details regarding tuition costs are available at Tuition Fees on the West-MEC website.

- Empowerment Scholarship Account (ESA) recipients. West-MEC is an approved vendor.
- Student Tax Credit (STO)/Private School Scholarship recipients.
- Junior applicants who will become a senior in a two-year program
- Will graduate from high school before completing their West-MEC program
- General Educational Development (GED) recipients
- Foreign Exchange students
- Residents outside of West-MEC boundaries

Program information may change as West-MEC strives to provide the best opportunities for students. Refer to www.west-mec.edu for most current information. Program is taught by industry certified instructors. West-MEC does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, age, or disability in admission to its programs, services, or activities, in access to them, in treatment of individuals, or in any aspect of their operations.

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INDUSTRY CREDENTIAL

If eligible, students will have the opportunity to test for the following credentials.

FEES PREPAID BY WEST-MEC; It is the responsibility of the student to maintain copies of all earned credentials.

- This industry credential is often required for employment.
  - D&S Diversified Technologies LLP/Headmaster LLP Examination (Certified Nursing Assistant)
  - American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers
  - Licensed Nursing Assistant Application/Fingerprinting
  - Patient Care Technician (PCT)

Proof of Citizenship or Legal Permanent Residency may be required for credential testing. Students with a documented disability may request credential testing accommodations through the individual testing entity.

CAREER PATHWAYS

- Nursing Assistant, Licensed Practical Nurse*, Registered Nurse*, Advanced Practice RN*, Caregiver, Medical Assistant*, Health Services Administrator*, Home Health Aide, Physician Assistant*, Physician*, CTE teacher*
- Entry-level salary range: $14.24- $22.00 per hour**

*with additional education in this pathway | **Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Employment & Wages

LOCATION & HOURS

West-MEC Northwest Campus:
13201 W Grand Ave
Surprise AZ 85374
623.877.6914

Monday - Friday
Session 1: 7:00 AM - 9:30 AM
Session 2: 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Various clinical sites for practicum. Clinical hours may vary and include Saturdays & Holidays

NOTE: West-MEC & high school calendars may not align & all transportation is provided by the student/parent.

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

- Acceptance into West-MEC programs is competitive.
- Students may only be enrolled in **one** West-MEC Central Program at a time.
- The order for filling seats by grade level is as follows:
  - Current juniors
  - Current seniors* (tuition fees apply)
- Applications are ranked in part by attendance, GPA, discipline, and career choice (ECAP)
- Program hours are not excused for participation in extracurricular activities, athletics, vacation, or employment.
- West-MEC priority application submission date is in the beginning of the second semester. Contact your school counselor for your school's Priority Application Deadline.
- West-MEC provides accommodations and modifications identified in the IEP/504 for high school students. Students who graduate from high school or have a GED will not be eligible for IEP services. Graduated students will need to self-advocate for reasonable accommodations that are aligned to industry certifications.

STUDENT SUCCESS INDICATORS

- Strong interest in chosen career pathway.
- History of good attendance and discipline, and on track for graduation.
- Ability to work well with others and cooperate with the instructor.
- Ability to work accurately/follow procedures to an industry-standard.
- Strong technical reading and study skills; the textbook for this course is written at the college reading level.
- Uniforms are reviewed to meet professional industry standards. Dress code requirements are addressed before the start of classes.
- Professional conduct in all academic settings
- Comfortable working with people of varying ages
- Expressed interest in healthcare
- Comfortable administering and receiving injections
- Comfortable with role play and playing the role of patient
- Strong hand-eye coordination with fine motor skills and stamina
- Ability to lift and transfer heavy objects and people (minimum of 50 lbs)
- Ability to handle various sights, sounds and smells
- Comfortable working with other peoples' bodily fluids

GRADING SCALE

Grade	A	B	C	D	F
Percent	90%-100%	80%-89%	70%-79%	60%-69%	59% or below

State Board of Nursing requirements for licensure:

Students must score a minimum of 80% on the final examination with no more than one retake.

CREDITS ISSUED BY WEST-MEC

- High School - 3 High School Elective Credits (1.5 elective credits per semester)
- This program satisfies the AZ University's admissions requirements. (AZ Board of Regents CTE/Fine Arts credit)

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