



Minnesota West Community & Technical College

Department of Nursing

Program Outcomes and Student Achievement Data

Associate Degree in Science (AS) Nursing Program (RN training): Program Outcomes:

- The Professional (Associate Degree of Science in Nursing) Program began in 1996 and the first graduates completed in 1997.
- Job placement by 2021 graduates in the AS Nursing Program was 94.4%.
- Student Satisfaction: Graduates of the program in 2022 reported 86% overall satisfaction with their education and the AS Nursing Program.
- National licensure examination pass rate (NCLEX) for the AS Nursing Program students from 2022 was 85.19%, above the state and national averages for NCLEX-RN first time test takers.
- Program Completion (students start and complete the degree program in 1 year) for the AS Nursing Program in 2022 was 19.6%. The completion rate of students that complete in 1 or 2 years (additional time in program) is 26.1%. In 2022-2023 (as of 1/2023), 76.9% of students are progressing to completion from the AS Nursing Program.
- Small class sizes are important for student success. The program instructor to student ratio for 2022-2023 is 1:12 and was 1:14 in 2021-2022. Clinical courses are 1:8.
- The AS Nursing Program holds accreditation from the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN).

Practical Nursing Program, Diploma Degree (LPN training) Program Outcomes:

- The Practical Nursing Program began in 1970 and celebrated the first graduates in 1971.
- National licensure examination pass rate (NCLEX) for the Practical Nursing Program students from 2021 and 2022 was 100%. Minnesota West's PN program passing rates exceeds state and national averages!
- Job placement for 2021 graduates in the Practical Nursing Program was 95.2%.
- Student Satisfaction: Graduates of the program in 2022 reported 95.2% overall satisfaction with their education and the Practical Nursing Program.
- Program Completion (students start and complete the degree program in two semesters) for the Practical Nursing Program in 2022 was 19.4%. The completion rate of students that complete in 1 or 2 years (additional time in program) is 25.37%. In 2022-2023 (as of 1/2023), 75.0% of students are progressing to completion from the Practical Nursing Program.
- Small class sizes are important for student success. The program instructor to student ratio for 2022-2023 is 1:17. Clinical courses are 1:8.
- The Practical Nursing Program holds accreditation from the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN).