



Creating Opportunities for Nursing Education

Statewide Collaboration

The New Mexico Nursing Education Consortium (NMNEC) was developed in 2009 as a collaborative of *every* state-funded nursing program across the state. The consortium created a common statewide curriculum in nursing that paves the way for seamless transfer of nursing credits. This provides a direct path for students to complete an associate’s degree (ADN) or bachelor’s degree (BSN) in nursing through their hometown community college *or* their local university.

Common Statewide Curriculum

Participating NMNEC nursing programs (listed below) are all teaching the “NMNEC Common Curriculum.” This is a concept-based curriculum producing nurses who are patient-centered, who think critically, and are able to recognize the needs of patients. A conceptually-based curriculum promotes students’ understanding and application of health/illness and professional nursing concepts in the provision of nursing care.



Three Degree Options in the NMNEC Curriculum

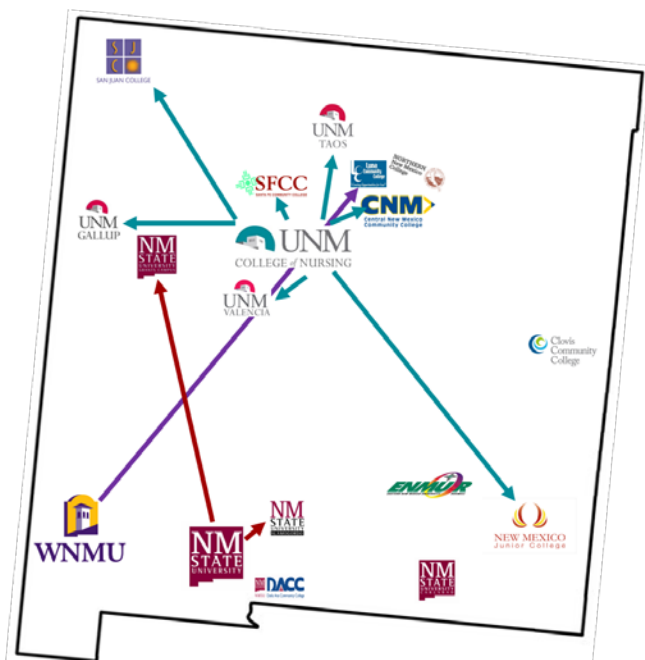
- ADN at a community college
 - BSN at a university
 - Dual Degree: ADN/BSN at a community college in partnership with a university
- Universities and Community Colleges have built partnerships to enable co-enrolled students the opportunity to receive their ADN *and* BSN upon graduation.

Statewide Access

Three years ago, the pre-licensure BSN was offered in two state-funded schools: UNM and NMSU. Today the NMNEC common statewide Curriculum is offered in fourteen schools (2018), of which, thirteen offer the BSN degree option.

Opportunities/Outcomes

- Access and opportunity to enroll in a pre-licensure ADN or BSN program is available in all four quadrants of the state
- Students who receive their nursing degree “close to home” most often secure employment in their home communities
- Significant tuition savings (average of 50%) for Dual Degree students receiving their BSN education at a community college in partnership with a university
- The diversity of the nursing student population is changing to better represent the minority-majority composition of NM



NMNEC Nursing Programs	Locations	ADN at Community College	BSN at University	Dual Degree: ADN/BSN at Community College
UNM	Albuquerque		X	
CNM	Albuquerque	X		X
SJC	Farmington	X		X
SFCC	Santa Fe	X		X
UNM-Taos	Taos	X		X
UNM-Gallup	Gallup	X		X
UNM-Valencia	Los Lunas	X		X
NMJC	Hobbs	X		X
NMSU	Las Cruces		X	
NMSU-Alamogordo	Alamogordo		X	
NMSU-Grants	Grants		X	
WNMU	Silver City		X	
LCC	Las Vegas	X		X
CCC	Clovis	X		

BSN Partnerships: Turquoise = UNM ♦ Maroon = NMSU ♦ Purple = WNMU