



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

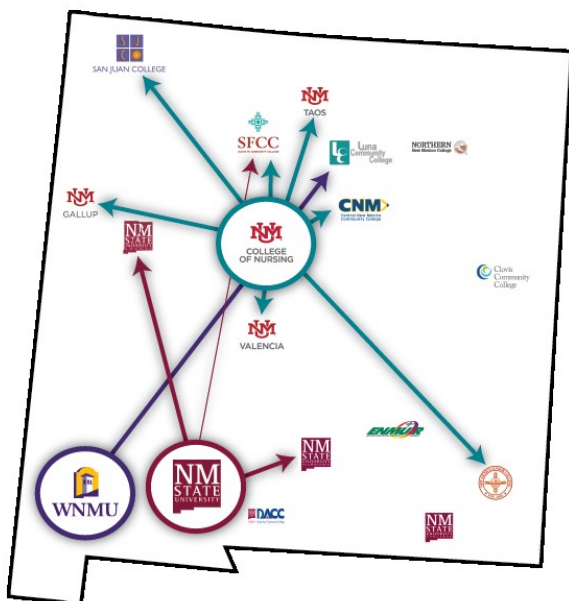
- ADN at a community college
 - BSN at a university
 - Dual Degree: ADN/BSN at a community college in partnership with a university
- Universities and Community Colleges have built partnerships to enable co-enrolled students the opportunity to receive their ADN *and* BSN upon graduation.

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 fifteen schools (2018), of which, thirteen offer the BSN degree option and nine offer the ADN 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		F-19
CCC	Clovis	X		

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