Nursing

• Associate of Applied Science in Nursing (AAS)
• Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) through partnership with the University of New Mexico

"Nursing is both an art and a science, founded on a professional body of knowledge that integrates concepts from the liberal arts and the biologic, physical, psychological and social sciences. It is a learned profession based on an understanding of the human condition across the lifespan and the relationships of an individual with others and within the environment. Nursing is a dynamic, continually evolving discipline that employs critical thinking to integrate increasingly complex knowledge, skills and technologies, and client care activities into evidence-based nursing practice. The goal of nursing for client care in any setting is preventing illness; alleviating suffering; protecting and restoring health; and promoting dignity in dying." — National Council of State Boards of Nursing

Program Description
The mission of NMJC Nursing Program is to promote success through learning by facilitating acquisition of the knowledge, skills, and attitudes required by entry-level nurses to provide legal, ethical, safe, and effective nursing care for individuals, families, and groups within our community. The NMJC Nursing Program offers a two-year registered nursing education program (AAS). The NMJC Nursing Program also offers a four-year registered nursing program (BSN) through partnership with the University of New Mexico. The curriculum for both programs includes classroom, laboratory, and supervised clinical instruction.

The NMJC Nursing Program is a member of the New Mexico Nursing Education Consortium (NMNEC) and utilizes the statewide, common curriculum developed by NMNEC for all state-supported nursing programs. http://www.nmnece.org/

The following program information is related to the two-year registered nursing education program (AAS) offered exclusively by the NMJC Nursing Program. For information regarding the four-year registered nursing program (BSN) offered at NMJC through partnership with the University of New Mexico, please contact the counseling office at NMJC, 575.392.5081.

Nursing Program Accreditation/Approval
AAS Program: Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)
The NMJC AAS Nursing Program is accredited by and responsible to the ACEN. For more information regarding NMJC AAS Nursing Program accreditation status, please write to the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, 3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850, Atlanta, GA 30326 or call ACEN at 404.975.5000.

New Mexico Board of Nursing (NMBON) Approval Status
The NMJC AAS Nursing Program holds a Certification of Full Approval from the NMBON. For more information regarding approval status, please contact the New Mexico Board of Nursing, 6301 Indian School Road, NE, Suite 710, Albuquerque, NM, 87110 or visit the NMBON website: www.bon.state.nm.us or call 505.841.9082.

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Degree and Certificate Offerings
Associate of Applied Science Degree in Nursing (RN)
Students who successfully complete course requirements for Levels 1, 2, 3, and 4 receive an Associate of Applied Science Degree (AAS) in Nursing and are eligible to write the National Council Licensing Examination-Registered Nurse (NCLEX-RN) for licensure as a registered nurse (RN).

Employment Opportunities
A national nursing shortage ensures high job placement rates for nurses.

Career Advancement Opportunities
NMJC Nursing Program graduates may continue their education by pursuing higher degrees in nursing such as a Bachelor (BSN), Master (MSN), or Doctorate (PhD) degree as well as Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS), Nurse Practitioner (NP), or Doctorate degree in Nursing Practice (DrNP).