



**Arizona Western College /**  
**Arizona State University**  
Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation

## **Concurrent Enrollment Program (CEP)**

The Concurrent Enrollment Program (CEP) – offered through a partnership between Arizona Western College (AWC) and Arizona State University (ASU) – provides a pathway for students to complete an associate degree in nursing through AWC and a bachelor's degree in nursing through ASU simultaneously. Participants are students who meet the AWC and ASU CEP eligibility requirements and have applied to the CEP.

### Quick Facts

- AWC and ASU have created a Concurrent Enrollment Program (CEP) for nursing students to simultaneously earn an Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) and a Bachelor of Science (BSN) in Nursing.
- The AWC - ASU CEP is an educational pathway partnership designed to assist in meeting the National Academy of Medicine's goal to increase the percentage of BSN-prepared nurses.
- CEP students enroll in AWC and ASU classes at the same time.
- AWC courses are taught in the classroom, lab or clinical setting.
- ASU CEP courses are offered completely online. ASU courses do not require an in-person commitment making work / life / school balance easier to manage.
- BSN-prepared nurses are highly valued by potential employers and CEP graduates are equipped with the knowledge and skills of the new graduate baccalaureate prepared nurses.

### ASU Eligibility

To be eligible to join the ASU CEP, students must meet all of the following criteria:

- Be admitted to or enrolled in the [AWC associate degree nursing program](#).
  - Earn a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA in the prerequisite courses listed below. Students may utilize the ASU [Transfer Guide](#) to explore equivalent course options at their current institution for the ASU requirements.
    - First Year Composition I (ENG 101)
    - First Year Composition II (ENG 102)
    - College Mathematics or higher (MAT 142 or higher)
- Note: For options to improve prerequisite GPA, contact ASU's Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation at [asu.cep@asu.edu](mailto:asu.cep@asu.edu).*
- Optional: Sign up for MyPath2ASU. Interested students are encouraged to sign up for MyPath2ASU, which will provide students with ASU resources and support prior to starting at ASU. [Sign up here](#).

### Key Information

- Students must have a current application in the AWC pool or must already be admitted to the AWC nursing program to be eligible for CEP consideration.
- Students must be admitted to the AWC nursing program to begin ASU CEP courses.
- Students must complete the ASU CEP prerequisite courses noted above with a 3.0 GPA to begin the ASU CEP courses. Additional course grades in traditional nursing prerequisite courses may be included in the GPA, if needed, to meet the 3.0 GPA requirement.
- Students missing prerequisites can complete transferable courses at the community college or with ASU Online.
- Final determinations of transfer credits will be made by both AWC and ASU. Students with coursework from institutions other than AWC and ASU should have their coursework

submitted for official evaluation through ASU's [Transfer Guide](#).

- Credit by exam (AP, CLEP, IB, etc.) may be accepted to fulfill ASU prerequisites depending on the exam subject/name, date taken and score earned. Please refer to ASU's [Exam Search](#) to determine course equivalency.
- Acceptance to ASU is determined after admission to AWC's nursing program.
- Traditional CEP students can refer to the sample plans of study below based on AWC start term.
- A midpoint entry is available for students who have already begun the AWC nursing program.

## Advising

Academic advisors are available for application advisement to the ADN program at AWC.

ASU advisors are located in the Phoenix-area and are available to meet via email, Zoom or phone.

AWC Nursing Students	Arizona State University <i>Interested CEP Students</i>	Arizona State University <i>Current CEP Students</i>
<a href="mailto:nursing@azwestern.edu">nursing@azwestern.edu</a> 928.317.6049	Edson College – Recruitment and Admissions <a href="mailto:asu.cep@asu.edu">asu.cep@asu.edu</a> 602.496.0937	Edson College – Academic Advising <a href="mailto:nursingcep@asu.edu">nursingcep@asu.edu</a> 602.496.0888

## Transfer Credits

Students may transfer up to 75 credits to ASU. Students with credits from a four-year, regionally accredited college or university may transfer up to 90 credits to ASU.

## ASU Tuition

A reduced tuition rate is available. Current tuition rates can be viewed at <https://students.asu.edu/tuition>. Tuition rates are subject to change due to state budget appropriations. Textbooks, supplies and course fees are additional.

## Financial Aid

Federal regulations require that financial aid can only be disbursed through one college at a time. Depending on each student's unique circumstances, CEP students will file their FAFSA with either ASU or AWC each semester (fall, spring, summer).

## Health and Safety Requirements

AWC and ASU have health and safety requirements that must be met prior to enrolling and participating in any clinical experiences. Healthcare agencies require vaccinations, titers, and other healthcare related requirements (examples of these requirements are background checks, CPR, drug and nicotine testing, etc.) These requirements are subject to change per healthcare agency contracts with the educational institution. Students must be compliant with agency requirements prior to and throughout the program.

## Sample Plan of Study – Fall Entry

A sample plan of study for fall entry into the AWC nursing program is outlined below. Based on each student's unique academic history, an individualized plan of study will be provided by an academic advisor upon admission.

<b>Courses</b>	<b>Summer</b>	<b>Total: 8-14 credits</b>
(ASU) TWC 361*	Writing for Health Care Management <i>(if needed)</i>	0-3 credits
(ASU) SOC 390	Social Statistics I <i>(if needed)</i>	0-3 credits
(ASU) NUR 392	Health Promotion Across the Lifespan	4 credits
(ASU) NUR 460	The Art of Nursing	4 credits
*Students who have completed a transferable Literacy (L) course will be waived from TWC 361, and instead may take a different required course if needed.		
<b>AAS Semester 1</b>	<b>Fall</b>	<b>Total: 14 credits</b>
(AWC) Block 1	NUR 121, NUR 117	10 credits
(ASU) NUR 391	Professional Nursing Theory	4 credits
<b>AAS Semester 2</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Total: 12 credits</b>
(AWC) Block 2	NUR 122	8 credits
(ASU) NUR 318	Nursing Research and Application to Practice	4 credits
<b>Summer</b>		<b>Total: 8 - 14 credits</b>
(ASU) NUR 444	Innovation in Nursing	4 credits
(ASU) NUR 495	Public & Global Health in Nursing	4 credits
(ASU) Upper Division**	(SB with C and/or H) <b>or</b> (SB or HU with C and/or H) <i>(if needed)</i>	0-3 credits
(ASU) Upper Division**	(SB with C and/or H) <b>or</b> (SB or HU with C and/or H) <i>(if needed)</i>	0-3 credits
<b>AAS Semester 3</b>	<b>Fall</b>	<b>Total: 12 credits</b>
(AWC) Block 3	NUR 221	8 credits
(ASU) NUR 440	Community/Public Health Nursing in U.S	4 credits
<b>AAS Semester 4</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Total: 16 credits</b>
(AWC) Block 4	NUR 222	8 credits
(ASU) NUR 445	Nursing Management in Health Care (Session A)	4 credits
(ASU) NUR 464	Capstone (Session B)	4 credits
<b>Graduate AWC with ADN degree; graduate from ASU with BSN degree; eligible for NCLEX-RN licensure exam.</b>		
**Note: If needed, upper division general studies may be taken in any semester. Enrolling in upper division general education course with Block 2 and NUR 318 is not recommended. Upper division general studies courses need to be completed prior to enrolling in NUR 464.		

## Sample Plan of Study – Spring Entry

A sample plan of study for fall entry into the AWC nursing program is outlined below. Based on each student's unique academic history, an individualized plan of study will be provided by an academic advisor upon admission.

<b>AAS Semester 1</b>		<b>Spring</b>	<b>Total: 10-16 credits</b>
(AWC) Block 1		NUR 121, NUR 117	10 credits
(ASU) TWC 361*		Writing for Health Care Management ( <i>if needed</i> )	0-3 credits
(ASU) SOC 390		Social Statistics I ( <i>if needed; may also be taken at AWC</i> )	0-3 credits
* Students who have completed a transferable Literacy (L) course will be waived from TWC 361, and instead may take a different required course.			
		<b>Summer (must be completed before NUR 391)</b>	<b>Total: 8-11 credits</b>
(ASU) NUR 460		The Art of Nursing	4 credits
(ASU) NUR 392		Health Promotion Across the Lifespan	4 credits
(ASU) One Upper Division**		(SB with C and/or H) or (SB or HU with C and/or H) – <i>if needed</i>	0-3 credits
<b>AAS Semester 2</b>		<b>Fall</b>	<b>Total: 12 credits</b>
(AWC) Block 2		NUR 122	8 credits
(ASU) NUR 391		Professional Nursing Theory	4 credits
<b>AAS Semester 3</b>		<b>Spring</b>	<b>Total: 12 credits</b>
(AWC) Block 3		NUR 221	8 credits
(ASU) NUR 318		Nursing Research and Application to Practice	4 credits
		<b>Summer</b>	<b>Total: 8-11 credits</b>
(ASU) NUR 444		Nursing Innovation (can swap with NUR 445)	4 credits
(ASU) NUR 495		Community Global Health	4 credits
(ASU) One Upper Division**		(SB with C and/or H) or (SB or HU with C and/or H) – <i>if needed</i>	0-3 credits
<b>AAS Semester 4</b>		<b>Fall</b>	<b>Total: 12 credits</b>
(AWC) Block 4		NUR 222	8 credits
(ASU) NUR 440		Community/Public Health in U.S.	4 credits
<b>Graduate from Arizona Western College with AAS degree. Eligible for NCLEX-RN licensure exam.</b>			
<b>BSN Semester 5</b>		<b>Spring</b>	<b>Total: 8 credits</b>
(ASU) NUR 445		Leadership/Management for RNs (session A)	4 credits
(ASU) NUR 464*		Capstone (session B)	4 credits
<b>Graduate from ASU with BSN.</b>			
* <b>Note:</b> If needed, upper division general studies may be taken in any semester. Upper division general studies courses need to be completed prior to enrolling in NUR 464.			

## AWC/ASU Concurrent Enrollment Program (CEP) Model

This is a general/example timeline to apply. Not all students will complete all steps in this order.

	Action	Timeline and Deadlines
Step 1:	Student decides to pursue the CEP through the AWC - ASU partnership.	Ongoing
Step 2:	Student reviews AWC nursing program and requirements, and works with AWC nursing to determine eligibility for ADN program.	Ongoing
Step 3:	Once eligible, student applies to AWC's nursing program during AWC application cycle.	Refer to the AWC nursing website for admission deadlines for each application cycle.
Step 4:	Student connects with ASU Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation's Recruitment and Admission team, and emails unofficial transcripts to <a href="mailto:asu.cep@asu.edu">asu.cep@asu.edu</a> for program eligibility (prerequisites and GPA) and next steps.  <i>Student may begin ASU application at this time; however, student should wait to pay the ASU application fee until s/he is placed into the clinical nursing program at AWC.</i>	Ongoing
Step 5:	AWC offers acceptance/admission into the ADN program. Student must continue to follow all instructions provided by AWC to retain seat in program.	Refer to AWC's Nursing website and/or offer of admission
Step 6:	Once admitted to ASU, the Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation verifies all CEP prerequisites and eligibility requirements are complete. If all requirements are met, student will receive a CEP welcome letter from Edson College academic advisor.  If requirements are missing, an Edson College advisor will contact student about next steps.	Ongoing until first day of ASU classes
Step 7:	Student enrolls in classes at ASU.	Ongoing until first day of ASU classes