

PROGRAM RESEARCH



Participant: _____

Date: _____

INSTRUCTIONS: This worksheet will help you gather information about the programs that provide training for the occupation you have chosen. To help you decide which program is best for you, be sure to complete a separate form for each of the programs that you are considering. Try to use as many resources as possible when completing this form. Available resources include: (1) resource materials in the one-stop center, (2) visits to the prospective programs, and (3) interviews with current students, graduates, instructors, or administrators.

Vendor: Arizona Western College

Program: Nursing Assistant

1. How long has the vendor been providing this type of training? For at least twenty years
2. When does the next set of classes begin? Classes begin in January, May, and August each year
3. What is the application deadline? Students must follow College Registration Process
4. What are the program's entry requirements? See Nursing Department Web Site www.azwestern.edu/nursing
5. What percentage of applicants are typically accepted? Information is not tracked
6. What is the program's duration? (How long does it take to complete?) The program runs 16 weeks.
7. How is the program structured (for example, number of terms, classes per term, hours per week, timing of classes Xday/evening/weekend)? See AWC Website for class schedules.
8. How much does it cost to attend this program? (What are tuition and fees per term? How have program costs changed over recent years?) See AWC Nursing Department web site.
9. What other expenses are typically required (such as books, basic supplies, tools, uniforms, etc.)? See AWC Nursing Department Web Site
10. What financial aid options are available? See AWC Web site for financial aid opportunities
11. What are the program's completion requirements? Successful completion of all class/course requirements

12. What degrees or certificates do students receive upon program completion? _____
AWC Certificate and eligibility for Arizona State Board of Nursing's Nursing Assistant Certificate. _____
13. What percentage of students actually graduate (overall and within the past year)? Data not tracked _____
14. What types of jobs do graduates typically get? What types of businesses tend to employ them? _____
Graduates are usually employed providing basic patient care in acute and long term care facilities. _____

15. What are the average starting wages of graduates? Wages vary from \$8.00 to \$10.00 per hour _____

16. What types of employment placement assistance is provided to graduates? None _____

17. Am I likely to need to change my current child care arrangements if I attend this program? (If yes, describe.) _____

18. How far is the program from my home? Will I have reliable transportation to and from school? Will I need to room near the program? (If yes, describe.) _____

19. Other important considerations: _____

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