



Nursing Programs

Nursing Program Application Check List

All documents must be submitted with application
no later than 4:30pm on the published deadline (or the last work day prior to deadline date)
or Post marked on or before the published deadline (or the last work day prior to deadline date)

- Attend a Nursing Information Session
 - Date attended _____

 - Complete Nursing Program Application forms A and B

 - Attach a copy of your CNA/LNA license number
 - Online printout from www.azbn.gov or
 - D&S/Headmaster printout of state exam passing scores
 - OR**
 - Proof of Enrollment**
 - AWC unofficial transcript (NOT WebAdvisor)

 - Attach copies of completed HESI A2 exam scores taken through Arizona Western College within 24 months of application
 - Available under your Evolve account, www.evolve.elsevier.com

 - Attach a copy of your current Arizona Western College unofficial transcript (NOT WebAdvisor)
 - Available under your Self-Service account, www.azwestern.edu or
 - Can be obtained from AWC Admissions/Registration

 - Attach a copy of your unofficial transcripts from ALL other colleges/universities attended, regardless if credits have already been evaluated by AWC

 - Attach a copy of your Evaluation of Credits completed by AWC, if applicable
- *Note: Transfer credits will not be considered until the evaluation is complete
- Verify receipt of application via blackboard (please allow 5-7 days for processing)

****Please access your AWC Toro account email several times a week** to ensure you receive all communication from the Nursing Department related to your completion of the requirements and any other pertinent information.

****Please make copies of all documentation that you turn in with your Nursing Application. The Nursing Department will not be able to provide copies of documentation to students after students turn their applications in.**

Note: Any application that does not include the documents requested will be considered incomplete.

Curriculum Plan: Associate in Applied Science(A.A.S.)

Application Requirements

- *Eligibility for Math 142 or higher*
- *Overall GPA 2.5*
- *Current and unrestricted Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) on the AZBN registry*
- *HESI A2 scores: 75% or higher on Math, English Language Composite, and Cumulative*

Prerequisites: 7 credits

ENG 101	Freshman Composition I	3 credits
BIO 201	Anatomy and Physiology I	4 credits

First Semester: 14 credits

NUR 121	Nursing 1	8 credits (5 lec, 3 lab, 4.5 clinical)
NUR 117	Pharmacology with Clinical Calculations	2 credits
BIO 202	Anatomy and Physiology II	4 credits (3 lec, 2 lab)

- *All courses listed above must be completed **prior to the beginning of the next semester in order to progress.***

Second Semester: 15 credits

NUR 122	Nursing 2	8 credits (5 lec, 9 clinical)
PSY 101	Intro to Psychology	3 credits
FAS 238/PSY 238	Human Development	4 credits

- *All courses listed above must be completed **prior to the beginning of the next semester in order to progress.***

Third Semester: 15 credits

NUR 221	Nursing 3	8 credits (5 lec, 9 clinical)
BIO 205	Microbiology	4 credits
ENG 102	Freshman Composition II	3 credits

- *All courses listed above must be completed **prior to the beginning of the next semester in order to progress.***

Fourth Semester: 14 credits

NUR 222	Nursing 4	8 credits (4 lec, 8 clinical)
Arts & Humanities	Elective	3credits
Math 142 or >**	College Math with Appl. (or higher)	3 credits

- *Additional Courses* (2 credits)

Total credits required for degree: 67 credits

*Select one requirement as per the AWC Catalog, Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S) General Education Course List, section C. Arts and Humanities

**Select one requirement as per the AWC Catalog, Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) General Education Course List, section B. Mathematics.



NURSING PROGRAM
APPLICATION & ADMISSION INFORMATION

1) Application Eligibility:

In order to be eligible to apply for the AWC Nursing Program the student must:

- a. Attend a Nursing Information Session
 - Sessions held twice a month – dates, location and times are available on www.azwestern.edu/nursing and the AWC Events calendar
- b. Be eligible for Math 142 or higher
- c. Have an overall GPA of 2.5 or greater
- d. Be a Certified/Licensed Nursing Assistant (CNA/LNA):
 - Be currently enrolled in a Certified Nursing Assistant course, **or**
 - Have proof of passing scores on the Arizona State Board of Nursing (AZBN) written and skills exam, **or**
 - Have a current and unrestricted CNA/LNA on the AZBN registry
- e. Take the HESI Admission Assessment (HESI A2):
 - Applicants must score at a 75% or higher on Math, English Language Composite, and Cumulative
 - HESI A2 must have been taken within 24 months of application through Arizona Western College.
 - Applicants may retest after remediation to improve the score after 60 days up to a maximum of 3 times per 12-month period. Information on test preparation, test fee, and the guidelines for taking the test are available on the AWC Nursing website at <http://www.azwestern.edu/nursing>.
- f. Be currently enrolled in or have completed the following prerequisite courses with a grade C or higher:
 1. ENG 101
 2. BIO 201

2) Application Instructions:

- a. **Complete the Nursing Program Application Forms A and B. The application form is available from the program website at www.azwestern.edu/nursing.**
- b. Include copies of the following supporting documentation:
 - CNA or LNA license number (or proof of enrollment or passing scores)
 - Available on the Arizona State Board of Nursing website, www.azbn.gov
 - HESI scores (all attempts within 24 months)
 - Available under your Evolve account, www.evolve.elsevier.com
 - Unofficial **Arizona Western College** transcript.
 - These need to be current and can be obtained from Admissions/Registration services. WebAdvisor printouts will NOT be accepted
 - Unofficial transcripts from ALL other colleges/universities attended
 - If a student has attended a college or university other than AWC, official transcripts must be evaluated by the Registrar's Office for transfer of credits before the application is submitted.
 - Evaluation of credits completed by Arizona Western College, if applicable.
 - Transfer credits will not be considered until the evaluation is complete.
- c. All required documentation *must be*:
 - Hand delivered no later than 4:30pm *March 15th* for fall admissions and *September 15th* for spring admissions (or the last work day prior to deadline date), **or**
 - Post marked on or before *March 15th* for fall admissions and *September 15th* for spring admissions (or the last work day prior to deadline date)
 - Arizona Western College
Attn: Nursing Department
PO Box 929
Yuma, AZ 85366-0929

Late or incomplete applications will not be considered for admission
Documents will not be reviewed at the time of delivery
- d. Students may verify receipt of application via blackboard (see *Blackboard Access* instructions on the last page of the application packet).
- e. **Students are notified via their Toro email account of their acceptance status.**

3) Selection Process:

- a. Acceptance into the nursing program is determined using a 445 point ranking system based on the following:

Note: Any application that does not include the documents requested will be considered incomplete.

	Ranking Criteria	Criteria Points Values	Possible Points
1.	Overall GPA	2.5 or greater = ____ x 25	100
2.	English Language Composite Score	75% or higher	100
3.	Math Score	75% or higher	100
4.	Cumulative Score	75% or higher	100
5.	Co-requisites completed (Non-core-nursing)	8 co-reqs = ____ x 5	40
6.	LPN License – This is not a requirement for the Nursing Program	Valid current and unrestricted LPN within U.S.	5
		Total Points Possible	445

- b. The 40 highest-ranking applicants will be offered seats, based on space availability.
- c. When several applicants have the same ranking score and acceptance cannot be determined solely by their score, the date the application was submitted will determine priority. If applicants with the same ranking scores submitted their applications on the same day, it will then be determined at random through a lottery method administered by the nursing program faculty committee.
- d. The next 10 applicants on the ranking will be offered to be alternates.
- e. If an applicant declines or has not completed the admission requirements by the published deadline, the next applicant on the alternate list will be offered the seat providing all requirements have been met.
- f. If an alternate is not offered a seat they will need to reapply for admission to the program.

4) Admission Requirements:

In order to be admitted to the AWC Nursing Program the student must:

- a. Be a Certified/Licensed Nursing Assistant - Have a current and unrestricted CNA/LNA on the AZBN registry.
- b. Complete the following prerequisite courses with a grade C or higher:
 1. ENG 101
 2. BIO 201
- c. Maintain an overall GPA of 2.5 or greater.
- d. Complete all Health & Safety Requirements discussed at the Mandatory Meeting (held after letters of acceptance are distributed).

NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

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NURSING ASSISTANT PROGRAM ADMISSION INFORMATION & APPLICATION

1) Eligibility requirements:

In order to be eligible to apply for the AWC Nursing Assistant Program the student must:

- a. Have an Arizona DPS Fingerprint Clearance Card for Volunteer Health Science Student & Clinical Assistant
 - To apply for a Fingerprint Clearance Card online, access a link to the Field print website on the Arizona Department of public Safety website at www.azdps.gov under **Fingerprint Clearance Cards/Online Application** and begin the process.
 - The Fingerprint Clearance Card must be valid and have no restrictions through the duration of the course. Those with restrictions will be reviewed individually on a case by case basis to determine eligibility to apply for the AWC Nursing Assistant Program.
 - This requirement is solely to meet the contractual requirements of the clinical facilities.
- b. Be eligible for MAT 121 or higher
- c. Have a reading score of 219 or above on the AWC Next Generation Reading Course Placement Test
 - *If the Next-Gen placement test has been taken more than once, the highest recorded score within the past 12 months of the application date will be used. Once the application has been submitted, the Next-Gen score may not be changed.*
 - *This is part of the new standard college placement tests effective April 2018. If you have previously tested with the Accuplacer Test Score (CPT-R) you will be required to retest with the AWC Next- Gen Test.*
This test is available at no cost to the student through the AWC Testing Center. A student wishing to retest within 90 days will be charged \$20. Please call 344-7641 for Testing Center hours.
- d. Students must hold a Healthcare Provider (BLS Provider) or Professional Rescuer (CPR) certification.
 - The CPR card must be valid through the duration of the course.
 - An online CPR course is not accepted. CPR Cards can be obtained through the following agencies: Yuma-MainCampus
 - ☞ AWC-Public Safety Institute, Lupe Fuentes, 928-317-6452
 - ☞ YRMC Clinical Education Office, 928-336-2915
 - ☞ American Red Cross 928-248-8220 Parker-La Paz Campus
 - ☞ Quartzsite Fire Department, 928-927-6556

2) Selection Process:

- a. Acceptance into the nursing assistant program is determined by the ranking of AWC Next-Gen Reading Placement scores.
- b. If students at the admission cut off have the same score, the application submission number will determine priority. Applications are numbered by date and time received.
- c. All applicants will receive an email notification of their status via their Toro Email account within 4 college days of the application deadline.
- d. The first 60 eligible applicants will be offered a seat in the Spring and Fall semester courses. The first 20 eligible applicants will be offered a seat in the Summer semester course.
- e. The next 10 eligible applicants will be offered to be alternates.
- f. If an applicant declines or has not completed the admission requirements by the published

deadline, the next applicant on the alternate list will be offered the seat providing all requirements have been met.

- g. If an alternate is not offered a seat they will need to reapply for admission to the program.
- h. If the applicant is accepted into the nursing assistant program they **must attend** a mandatory meeting. The date and time for this meeting will be specified in the acceptance letter. Failure to attend the mandatory meeting will result in the loss of the applicant's seat.

3) Application Process:

- a. Students are required to submit a completed application with supporting documentation **by 4:30pm**:
 - The last Thursday of March for Summer semester (Yuma)
 - The last Thursday of May for Fall semester (Yuma & Parker)
 - The last Thursday of October for Spring semester (Yuma & Parker)
- b. An application is only valid for 1 semester. A waiting list is not maintained.

4) Application Instructions:

- a. Complete the Nursing Assistant Program Application form
- b. The following documentation **must be** attached to your Application form
 - a. AWC Next Generation Reading Course Placement (College printout, WebAdvisor not accepted)
 - b. Proof of being eligible for MAT 121 or higher (Arizona Western College Unofficial transcript or AWC Math Course Placement College printout, WebAdvisor not accepted.)
 - c. CPR card, Health Care Provider or Professional Rescuer (Must be valid through completion of course.)
 - d. AZDPS Fingerprint Clearance Card (Must be valid and without restrictions through completion of course.)
- c. Applications must be submitted:

Yuma-Main Campus Programs:

Via Email: nursing.assistant@azwestern.edu (by 4:30pm)

Parker- LaPaz Campus Program:

Via Email: nursing.assistant@azwestern.edu (by 4:30pm)

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Students who are accepted in the program will receive information needed to meet the tuberculosis and drug screening information required to enter the program at a mandatory meeting.

Program cost and additional information is available online at:

<http://www.azwestern.edu/nursing>.

Nursing Assistant Program (AHE 130)



Nursing Programs

*The Arizona State Board of Nursing requires evidence of citizenship or nationality for state certification or licensure (CNA, LNA). *

This course focuses on applying client self-care concepts and basic procedures relative to fundamentals of nursing, communication, nutrition, anatomy, and physiology, medical terminology, legal/ethical issues, and aging. The concepts and procedures are introduced in the classroom and practiced in the college laboratory before implementation under faculty supervision in a clinical setting. This course prepares the learner for taking the state examination to become a certified nursing assistant.

Course Length: Yuma Campus: Fall/Spring – 8 & 16 weeks, Summer – 8 weeks

Pre-requisites:

- Score of 219 or higher on AWC Next Generation Reading Placement Test
- CPR certification – must be Healthcare Provider or Professional Rescuer
- Be eligible for MAT 121 or higher
- Fingerprint Clearance Card

Cost of Course:

- Tuition: \$440.00 (Resident status - \$88/credit)
- Lab Fee: \$220.00 (Include the state certification test fee.)
- Uniform: \$40 Wine-colored scrubs + \$6 program badge to be purchased at the AWC bookstore
- White or Black shoes: \$40
- Textbook and workbook: \$120
- Health & Safety Requirements:
 - CPR Card: \$35
 - Fingerprint Clearance Card: \$73
 - Tuberculosis Screening: \$10 - \$20
 - Drug Test: \$38
- Equipment:
 - Gait Belt: \$8 - \$20
 - Watch-indicating seconds: \$20

The costs provided are estimates and are subject to change.

Arizona Western College, Nursing Department PO Box 929, Yuma AZ 85366-0929 928-317-6049 (phone) 928-317-6119 (fax)

Email: nursing@azwestern.edu

See Nursing Program website at: www.azwestern.edu/nursing

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NURSING PROGRAM COST ESTIMATE

Course Tuition**

The total number of courses credits included in the Nursing Curriculum plan: 67 67 credits x \$88.00= \$5,896 (Resident status)

Course Fees \$800 per semester x 4: \$3,200

Textbooks (*core nursing classes only*)
(Purchased at the beginning of the first semester.) Estimated \$1,000.00

Uniform & Equipment
(Purchased at the beginning of the first semester.) Uniform, Program badge, Stethoscope: \$60
White shoes (Cost will vary based on personal preference)
Watch indicating seconds

Health & Safety Requirements
(Cost will vary and includes a Fingerprint Clearance Card and Drug Screen) \$250

Graduation Fee \$15

Total Estimated Cost of AWC Nursing Program: \$10,421

RN Licensing Fees

State Board Fee \$300.00

Fingerprint Cost \$50.00

NCLEX Exam Fee \$200.00

Total RN Licensing Fees \$550.00

NCLEX Review Prices range from \$225.00 to \$618.00

**All fees are subject to change.*

*** This estimate includes only courses included in the Nursing Program Curriculum plan.*

Nursing Assistant Program - Course Length: Fall/Spring {8 or 16 wks} Summer {8 weeks}

- 5 credit course
- Prepares the learner for taking the state examination to become a certified/licensed nursing assistant (CNA/LNA) and work in health care settings

Associate Degree in Nursing - 2 Years

- AAS degree, graduates are eligible to seek licensure as a registered nurse (RN).
- Designed to provide a Practical Nurse exit, an Associate Degree exit, and eligibility for entrance into a Baccalaureate Degree program in nursing.
- Learning experiences include: classroom, lab, clinical, online communication and assignments, and computer interactive learning and simulation.

Practical Nursing - Exit option - 3Semesters

- Exit option of the ADN program.
- Following successful completion of the 3 first semesters of the associate degree in nursing, students desiring to earn a Practical Nurse certificate can submit the Transition to PN Competency Packet and take the PN exit exam.
- This certificate makes the student eligible for licensure as a Practical Nurse.

**Please note: Admission requirements for all programs include a criminal background checks and drug test.*

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