

**Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)
Nursing Student Outcome Data**

WVJC was granted ACEN Candidacy in June of 2020. In compliance with ACEN Standards, *from the date of Candidacy*, WVJC must publish a single document that contains the Nursing Program’s student outcomes data for current and prospective students.

This data is as follows:

NCLEX Pass Rate

The National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN® exam) has one purpose: To determine if it’s safe for a graduating student to begin practice as an entry-level nurse. The West Virginia Board of Nursing NCLEX-RN pass rate has a standard of 80%. This rate is calculated based on the number of students who take the test the first time and pass the first time. In 2019, 31 of 32 students passed the NCLEX the first time they took the exam. Therefore, West Virginia Junior College achieved a pass rate of 96.88% for 2019.

NCLEX-RN FIRST TIME PASS RATES		EXPECTED LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT: 80%
YEAR	TAKERS	PASS RATE %
2021	Data Not Available*	
2020	Data Not Available*	
2019	31/32	96.88%

Completion Rates

Based on the ACEN definition, the completion rate across all program types is the percentage of students who graduate in no more than 150% of the stated nursing program length, beginning with the first day of the first nursing course. ACEN’s recommended method for calculating program completion rate is to start with each entering cohort beginning the first day of the first nursing course and then follow each individual student. As an example, a program with 10 students on the first day of the first nursing course of a four-semester nursing program: six students from the cohort graduate in four semesters (100% timeframe), and one student graduates within six semesters (150% timeframe). The applicable program completion rate would be (6/10) 60% on-time graduates and/or (7/10) 70% if the 150% timeframe is used.

West Virginia Junior College evaluates its completion rate for the Nursing Program as students who graduate on time.

Cohort	# of Students in the Initial Cohort(s)	# GRADUATES	On-Time Completion Rate
03-2021	43	30	70%
11-2020	27	19	70%

Job Placement Rates*

The aggregate job placement rate is the percentage of all graduates, typically within one year of graduation, who are employed in a position for which a nursing program prepared them. ACEN’s recommended method for calculating Job Placement Rate is to divide the number of graduates successfully contacted by the number reporting having secured employment in a position for which the nursing program prepared them. As an example, if a program had 100 graduates, successfully contacted 80 of them (80% response/contact rate), and 79 reported employment in a position for which the nursing program prepared them, the applicable job placement rate would be 98.75% (79/80).

Cohort	# of Graduates	# of Graduates Responding	# PLACED AND ON THE JOB FOR MORE THAN 15 DAYS	PLACEMENT RATE	RESPONSE RATE
03-2021	Data not available*				
11-2020	Data not available*				
03-2020	34	34	32	94%	100%
03-2019	32	31	30	97%	97%

*The November 2020 and the newly graduating March 2021 cohorts are still in the process of sitting for the NCLEX and being placed in their first nursing job. It is anticipated that this data will be available by July of 2021.