

Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)

Nursing Student Outcome Data

Effective September 22, 2021, the WVJC-Charleston nursing program is a candidate for initial accreditation by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing. 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.

NCLEX-RN FIRST TIME PASS RATES		EXPECTED LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT: 80%
YEAR	TAKERS	PASS RATE %
2021	38/40	95%

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
09/2020	41	35	85%
09/2019	42	40	95%

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 the 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. For 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 79% (79/100).

Cohort	# of Graduates	# of Graduates Responding	# PLACED AND ON THE JOB FOR MORE THAN 15 DAYS	PLACEMENT RATE	RESPONSE RATE
09/2020	35	33	33	94%	94%
09/2019	40	39	39	98%	98%