Nursing
Cooperative Program with St. Francis Medical Center
Associate in Science Degree in Liberal Arts and Sciences

Mercer County Community College, in collaboration with the diploma school of nursing at St. Francis Medical Center, awards the Associate in Science degree to students who successfully complete their program of study. Students also receive a diploma from the school of nursing and are eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) to earn licensure as a registered nurse. St. Francis is accredited by the New Jersey Board of Nursing and the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing.

St. Francis combines mathematics, science, and general education courses at the college with nursing courses conducted at their school. The nursing courses integrate classroom activities with clinical experiences in the home hospital and at other agencies in the area. The cooperative program with St. Francis requires attendance for two consecutive years, including summers.

Candidates must meet the admissions requirements of the college and additional requirements specific to the program. Details regarding admission standards, grading and retention policies, and graduation requirements are available from the cooperating nursing school. The cooperative program also maintains a list of baccalaureate nursing programs for students who contemplate transfer.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES
• Pass the National Council Licensure Examination – Registered Nurse;
• Integrate concepts from the sciences and evidence-based nursing practice in the care of diverse patients, families, and communities;
• Effectively communicate and collaborate as a member of the health care team, incorporating technological resources to deliver quality patient-centered care;
• Practice within the legal and ethical parameters of the profession;
• Function competently and safely, incorporating professional standards in the delivery of patient-centered care;
• Employ leadership and management skills in the delivery of patient-centered care;
• Exhibit responsible behavior that is self-directive and encompasses personal and professional growth.

Students must earn a minimum grade of C in all nursing, science, and general education courses to graduate.

NOTE: All program listings are subject to periodic updates. Please consult your program advisor, academic division, or www.mccc.edu/programs_degree