Nursing is a rewarding career in the healthcare field. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the need for registered nurses is expected to grow. Nurses provide care, educate patients on health concerns and provide advice and support to patients and their families.

Careers in nursing offer flexibility and job security. A variety of shifts are available to fit the busiest of lifestyles. Nurses also have the opportunity to work in diverse patient care areas such as labor and delivery, pediatrics, geriatrics, surgery, trauma and more.
What You Will Learn

The Nursing program at Pima Medical Institute will prepare you to succeed in the rewarding field of healthcare. Throughout your education, you will develop the personal traits and professional skills needed to perform as competent, entry-level registered nurses. The Nursing program at Pima Medical Institute provides you with the knowledge of anatomy and physiology, growth and development, pharmacology, nutrition, nursing theory and skills for patient care across the life span.

Job Outlook

Employment of registered nurses is projected to grow 15 percent from 2016 to 2026, much faster than the average for all occupations. Growth will occur for a number of reasons, including an increased emphasis on preventive care and growing rates of chronic conditions, such as diabetes and obesity. The demand for healthcare services from the baby-boom population, as they live longer and more active lives will also be a factor for job growth.*

Employment

Registered nurses can choose to work in an assortment of environments, including hospitals, healthcare facilities, clinics, community health organizations, schools, long-term care facilities and in homes. Many nurses will find employment in hospitals and clinics, but faster employment growth is projected in physicians’ offices and outpatient care centers.

Licensure

Upon graduation from Pima Medical Institute’s associate degree program, you will be eligible to sit for the National Council Licensing Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX), administered by the State Board of Nursing. After passing, you will become a licensed Registered Nurse (RN) in the state administering the exam.