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Alverno Mesa Pinning News Tip

During Nurses Week, on May 9, [Alverno College](#) will be celebrating its first graduating cohort of 18 nursing students at their in-person Pinning Ceremony.

The 18 students will be celebrating the completion of their [Direct Entry Master of Science in Nursing \(DEMSN\) program](#) from Alverno College's Mesa, Arizona [location](#).

Accelerated Path to the Nursing Profession

Alverno's DEMSN program offers students an accelerated path to becoming a nurse. The program is specifically for students who already hold a bachelor's degree in a non-nursing field. In as few as 18 months, students can earn both a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree and a Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) degree. Graduates are well prepared to sit for the NCLEX licensing exam, allowing them to work as licensed Registered Nurses.

Nursing Shortage Impact

These 18 students will be entering the nursing field during a national nursing shortage crisis. Alverno College, expanded the DEMSN program to Mesa, Arizona in 2022, knowing the program would directly impact the community of Maricopa County.

May 9 Pinning Ceremony

Doors Open: 2 p.m.
Ceremony Starts: 3 p.m.

The Cove in the DoubleTree by Hilton Phoenix/Mesa
1011 West Holmes Avenue
Mesa, AZ 85210

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About Alverno College

Alverno College was established in 1887 with their main campus in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and has been educating nurses for almost 100 years. Well-known for the caliber of its nursing school graduates, Alverno opened the Mesa, Arizona location in March 2022 to support an in-person prelicensure nursing program, equipped with classrooms and a state-of-the-art Center for Clinical Education and Simulation. Alverno College has more than 25 clinical partnerships with health care organizations in the greater metropolitan areas of Phoenix, Arizona.

Mesa Location: 1201 S. Alma School Road, Suite 5450 Mesa, AZ 85210