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Student Spotlight: Alexandria Escobedo



Image: MCC Nursing Student Alexandria Escobedo

Escobedo Embraces Her Calling in MCC's Nursing Program

For Alexandria Escobedo, becoming a nurse isn't just a career goal, it's a calling that's been with her since childhood as she watched her mother work as one.

Now a first-year student in the Associate of Nursing program at Miles Community College (MCC), she's well on her way to making that dream a reality.

A Path Fueled by Experience and Determination

Originally from Miles City, Escobedo brings years of healthcare experience to the classroom, having worked as both a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA), Medical Assistant (MA), and Emergency Medical Technician (EMT). Although she always knew she wanted to

pursue nursing, life presented challenges that delayed her journey. During that time, she earned certifications as a Medical Assistant and in EMS, using those roles to stay connected to the field until she was ready to take the next step.

Drawn to MCC's Supportive Environment

Escobedo chose MCC based on strong recommendations from people she trusted—and the decision has paid off. She values the program's flexible online format and the faculty's genuine commitment to student success.

According to her, the staff consistently go above and beyond to help students reach their goals. "I know people who attended MCC and had great experiences," she said. "What I love most is how much the staff genuinely care."

Balancing Life and Nursing School

Managing nursing school's demands hasn't been easy, but Escobedo credits her strong support system for helping her stay focused. With the ability to prioritize her education and still make time for loved ones, she's finding balance in a challenging program.

A Passion for Care and a Vision for the Future

Escobedo is especially drawn to helping others in moments of urgency and vulnerability. She hopes to specialize in either trauma care or labor and delivery, two fields where compassion and quick thinking are key. For her, nursing is about being there for patients.

"I want my patients and co-workers to know they can come to me for help," she stated. "Nurses do so much more than people realize. They support patients, doctors, families, and each other."

Advice for Future Nurses

To students considering MCC's Nursing Program, Escobedo offers words of encouragement: pursue it wholeheartedly, even when the path feels difficult.

"Do it!" she said excitedly. "It may be hard at times, but nothing in life comes easy. You can do this."

She also recommends gaining early experience through CNA work, completing prerequisites, and studying medical terminology to be better prepared for nursing coursework.

Finding Strength Through Support

One of the most meaningful parts of her journey has been realizing how many people believe in her, even during times she doubted herself. Escobedo says the MCC program challenges her in all the right ways and has confirmed that she's exactly where she's meant to be.