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WESTERN DEPARTMENT OF NURSING GRANTED 10-YEAR ACCREDITATION

St. Joseph, Mo.—Dec. 10, 2003— The department of nursing at Missouri Western State College was recently notified that it had been granted accreditation of the program by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) for a maximum term of 10 years, extending to Dec. 31, 2013. The CCNE board determined that the program met all accreditation standards.

The board's decision was based on a self-study, which was submitted by the nursing program, and an on-site evaluation conducted by a CCNE evaluation team in February 2003. CCNE accreditation is granted to baccalaureate and higher degree nursing education programs.

The purpose of CCNE accreditation is to hold nursing education programs accountable to their constituents, to evaluate the success of a nursing education program, to assess the extent to which a nursing education program meets accreditation standards and to foster continuing improvement in nursing education programs.

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Missouri Western State College is a four-year public institution providing a blend of traditional liberal arts and professional degree programs. The college offers student-centered, high quality instruction that focuses on experience-based learning, community service, and state-of-the-art technology. Western is located in St. Joseph, Mo. and is committed to the educational, economic, cultural and social development of the region it serves.