From automatic doors not working to steep ramps, some students struggle.

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A wide range of students with physical disabilities are enrolled each semester, according to Del Mar College Student Services. Ada compliance for students with disabilities is an ever-evolving issue on campus in trying to get through the day.

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The Board of Regents approved a proposal to offer a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing at its February meeting. "In the early fall semester of 2017 the Department of Nursing Education’s proposal was approved by the DMC, president to inquire about the possibility of offering the RN to BSN program at DMC,” said Evangeline Deleon, chair of the nursing program. The demand for nurses in Nunes County will be up 25% by 2026 and will require over 4,425 nursing positions, according to Deleon. This information boosted the effort to gain approval for the new degree. The department surveyed nurses in the program to see whether a BSN pathway would be effective and efficient. The survey received positive feedback, with 63.9% of graduates saying they would consider the BSN option. The data supported the need for the next step to further the proposal to the Board of Regents.

"The Board of Regents approved the nursing program in November of last year," Deleon said. "We are confident that every aspect of the cost and benefits in offering the RN to BSN at DMC are positive." Deleon said "The trend in nursing is to encourage higher education and our department strives to provide this opportunity to DMC nursing students.

Nehemiah Flores demonstrates to a student the effects of a glacier with special gogles at a recent health fair.

The BSN program on start date is 2021. Approval from Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing and Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges are still pending.

For more information or contact the Department of Nursing Education (DNE) at 698-1246.