KU at Work: Cloud County
The following profile highlights the services and support that KU provides to Cloud County

Educating Leaders

Students

KU has 37 students from Cloud County: 16 undergraduate, 15 graduate, and 6 students at the KU Medical Center.

KU students from Cloud County have significant support in the form of grants, scholarships, and fellowships. As of the fall census, $101,304 in federal, state, institutional, and outside/private grants, scholarships, and fellowships have been awarded on all campuses to 13 Cloud County students for FY 2015.

Of the fall 2014 KU students, 276 have transfer credit from Cloud County Community College in Concordia.

KU has 154 alumni from Cloud County.

Building Healthy Communities

Public Safety

The university provides public safety training to the state for law enforcement, fire and rescue response. In FY 2014, 37 law enforcement officers and 3 firefighters and first responders from Cloud County were trained at KU.

Healthcare – KU Medical Center

Enhancing Student Education

- 3 Cloud County physicians serve as volunteer KU Medical Center faculty, providing medical students with hands-on training in rural and underserved communities as part of the Rural Preceptorship Program.

- Medical students spent six weeks working with primary care physicians and conducting a community-based research project in 26 counties, including Cloud County, as part of KU Medical Center’s summer Rural Primary Care Practice and Research Program, one of several programs designed to encourage students to consider practicing medicine in a rural Kansas community.

- 6 high school students in Cloud County participated in activities during the 2013-14 school year that encouraged them to consider careers in health care, math and science. These events were hosted by the KU Area Health Education Center.

“Working for a Kansas-based company and selling internationally requires a level of skill that is not common. My experience and education at KU helped me develop the skills I have needed to work in an international environment. The benefits of bringing revenue and capital into Kansas that is not agriculture-based is critical to Kansas, and KU helps make this happen. For students to be able to get these skills local, remain local, and build careers and businesses local, is imperative.”

- Clint Rogers, b’98,
  General Manager of Cashco, Inc., Ellsworth, KS

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KU students from Cloud County

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Cloud County law enforcement officers, firefighters, and first responders trained at KU

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KU medical center graduates who live or practice in Cloud County
Nurses across Kansas can now advance their careers from home, thanks to an innovative agreement between the KU School of Nursing and 18 regional community colleges, including Cloud County Community College. The agreement provides nurses who have an associate’s degree in nursing from a participating college an easier transition to earning their bachelor of science in nursing through KU’s online RN-to-BSN program.

**Strengthening the Health Care Workforce**

- 20 KU Medical Center graduates live and/or practice in Cloud County.
- 1 health care provider has been placed in Cloud County since 2004 through the [Kansas Recruitment and Retention Center](https://www.ksumc.edu/ruralhealth/recruitment-retention-center), which provides placement assistance to rural health organizations and seeks to enhance the quality and quantity of health care professionals in rural Kansas.
- 1 Cloud County physician received funding through the [Kansas Bridging Plan](https://www.ksumc.edu/ruralhealth/bridging-plan), a loan-forgiveness program offered since 1991 to primary care medical residents who agree to practice in rural Kansas.
- 4 enrollments in KU Medical Center continuing education courses and conferences by Cloud County health care professionals in Fiscal Year 2014.

**Advancing Health Care Access**

- Cloud County residents made 13 visits to KU Medical Center health care providers in outreach clinics held outside of Kansas City in FY14.