

PRACTICAL NURSING



Special Admission Program – (See admission requirements below)

Minimum 46 hours

Career & Technical Education • Certificate • Minimum 2.0 OGPA • Major Code: CPN

STUDENTS WHO COMPLETE THIS PROGRAM SUCCESSFULLY ARE ELIGIBLE TO TAKE THE STATE BOARD EXAM TO BECOME A PRACTICAL NURSE (PN).

Entrance Requirements

Obtain and read the “Practical Nursing Admission Packet” available in the Nursing Office T-236. Attend an Advisement Meeting and submit Nursing Application packet. Take the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS). Date _____ Score _____

Contact the Testing Coordinator at 618/252-5400, ext. 2442 to take this exam.

APPLICATION AND TEAS TEST DEADLINE is the end of March of each year for classes beginning the Fall Semester.

The full-time PN program meets Monday through Friday for 11 months.

THE PART-TIME PRACTICAL NURSING PROGRAM will begin every fall semester. This is a six semester program with courses during fall, spring, and summer semesters over two academic years.

SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION of ALL pre-requisite courses is required prior to official acceptance into the PN program.

Official Acceptance Letters are sent after July 31st.

NOTE: All coursework must be completed with a grade of “C” or better to graduate with this Practical Nursing Certificate.

Pre-Requisite Courses

Required		Credit Hrs
ENG 121	Rhetoric & Composition I	3
PSYC 121	Intro Psychology	3
BIOL 161*	Intro to Anatomy & Physiology	4
NUR 153	Medication Calculations	4
NUR 195	Medical Terminology	3
Total Hours		17

American Heart Association Healthcare Provider CPR is required prior to clinical attendance. Certification must be valid through the end of the program.

Required Nursing Courses

Required		Credit Hrs
NUR 151	Nutrition Throughout the Lifespan	2
NUR 170	Practical Nursing Basic Procedures	3
NUR 171	Practical Nursing Principles & Procedures I	3
NUR 172	Practical Nursing Principles & Procedures II	4
NUR 173	Practical Nursing Principles & Procedures III	2
NUR 176	Community and Mental Health	2
NUR 177	Pediatric Nursing	2
NUR 178	Nursing Mother & Newborn	3
NUR 190	Nursing the Adult I	4
NUR 198	Nursing the Adult II	4
NUR 199	Nursing the Adult III	4
NUR 211	Nursing the Adult IV	3
Total Hours		36

*BIOL 261-4 Anatomy and Physiology I and BIOL 262-4 Anatomy and Physiology II are required for the Associate Degree Nursing (ADN/RN) Degree. Students who plan to continue into that program may take BIOL 261 and BIOL 262 so they will have met that requirement and they will also substitute for BIOL 161-4. Both courses (BIOL 261 & 262) must be completed if they are to substitute for BIOL 161 (Prerequisite for BIOL 261: A grade of “C” or better in high school chemistry or CHEM 123 or equivalent.)

PLEASE see current Admission Criteria and Application Procedure packet for specific steps to follow for admission to the SIC PN program.

NOTE: Preference will be given to residents of Southeastern Illinois College, District #533. See the Practical Nursing Program Admission Policy and Procedure Statement in the College Catalog.

Occupational information about this program is available at O*NET online www.onetonline.org. Once at that website enter the SOC Code that is listed for this program. O*NET – SOC Code: 29-2061.00

This is a Gainful Employment Certificate Program that prepares the student for gainful employment in a recognized occupation. Information regarding program length, cost, average loan debt and completion rates for this program is available at http://www.sic.edu/ge_practical_nursing_ft or http://www.sic.edu/ge_practical_nursing_pt. You may also access Gainful Employment information from the SIC home page by selecting “Your Right to Know” from the footer of the page, and then selecting the Gainful Employment Programs option.

Career Opportunities:

Licensed Practical Nurse

Major Employers:

Hospitals; Skilled Care Homes; Home Health Agencies, Hospice; Clinics; Doctors’ Offices; Federal and State Government Institutions. 08/17