

PRACTICAL NURSING



Special Admission Program – (See admission requirements below)

Minimum 52 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 31th.

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 | 3 |
| NUR 153 | Medication Calculations | 4 |
| NUR 195 | Medical Terminology | 3 |
| Total Hours | | 16 |

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 161-3. 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

Career Opportunities:

Licensed Practical Nurse

Major Employers:

Hospitals; Skilled Care Homes; Home Health Agencies, Hospice; Clinics; Doctors' Offices; Federal and State Government Institutions. 08/19