



Practical Nursing Certificate

2018–2019

DESCRIPTION:

The Practical Nursing Certificate program is designed to prepare graduates to provide health care to clients of various ages in a variety of health care settings. The Practical Nursing Certificate program is sequential and it helps students to develop communication, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills. Nursing courses are structured to promote student learning through lecture, laboratory, clinical, seminar, simulation and practicum experiences. Learning opportunities are designed to apply practical nursing concepts in the promotion, maintenance and restoration of health for clients. Students learn to work collaboratively with other health team members in the health care delivery system. For more information, see csc.edu/nursing.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

Students must apply and be accepted to the program. Prior to applying to the program, students should have completed the NURC 1001 course at Columbus State or received the Ohio State Tested Nurse Aid (STNA) issued within the last five years. Additional program admission requirements include a GED or HS transcript, a minimum college 2.6 GPA and Good Academic Standing; if the applicant does not have a college GPA, then the student must have a high school GPA of 2.6 or an ACT composite score of 18 or above within the last four years. Students must place into CHEM 0100, BIO 0100, and ENGL 1100. Students will be given two attempts to successfully complete the HESI Admission Assessment (A2) (by receiving 75% score including the Science portion). Upon conditional acceptance, students must complete a drug screen and background check with no positive results prior to beginning the program.

ONGOING REQUIREMENTS:

Prior to beginning the certificate program, all students are required to purchase the complete HESI e-Book package and online curriculum, a comprehensive tutorial and testing package that is used throughout the entire program. Prior to second semester, students must complete specific requirements for health records and CPR. Students must complete all NURC and PNUR classes with a final grade of 76% or higher and satisfactory performance in PNUR clinicals and labs. Must demonstrate effective communication, interpersonal skills, professional judgment, ethical decision making, and the sensory and physical abilities to perform the functions of an LPN.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GRADUATES:

Career:

In Ohio, licensure from the Ohio Board of Nursing is required for employment. The Columbus State Practical Nursing Certificate prepares graduates to provide health care services as a Licensed Practical Nurse to patients of all ages located in a variety of settings in the community and home.

Transfer:

Upon licensure, students are eligible to apply for admission to the Columbus State Associate's Degree in Nursing. (Check with Allen Parson in Nursing Advising about "stackable certificate" eligibility.)

CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS (PRACTICAL NURSING CERTIFICATE):**FIRST SEMESTER**

Course	Term	Credits	Milestones/Progress Check
NURC 1102 Patient Care Skills Course	SU	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Achievement of a 90% or better on the dosage calculation test Prior to second semester, students must complete specific requirements for health records and CPR.
PNUR 1100 Practical Nursing Fundamentals	SU	2	
PNUR 1200 Mental Health Concepts for the PN	SU	2	
BIO 2300 Human Anatomy	AU/SP/SU	4	
Semester Credits		11	

SECOND SEMESTER

Course	Term	Credits	Milestones/Progress Check
PNUR 1300 Pharmacology I for the Practical Nurse	AU	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Achievement of a 90% or better on the dosage calculation test Successful completion of clinicals required to progress in the program.
PNUR 1766 PN Health Promotion & Restoration I	AU	2	
PNUR 1866 PN Health Promo & Rest I Clinical	AU	1	
BIO 2301 Human Physiology	AU/SP/SU	4	
Semester Credits		9	

THIRD SEMESTER

Course	Term	Credits	Milestones/Progress Check
PNUR 1400 Pharmacology II for the Practical Nurse	SP	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Achievement of a 90% or better on the PNUR 1400 dosage calculation test Successful completion of clinicals required to progress in the program. Successful completion of clinicals required to progress in the program.
PNUR 1765 PN Maternal/Child Care	SP	3	
PNUR 1865 PN Maternal/Child Clinical	SP	1	
PNUR 1767 Concepts Rel to Health Promo/Rest II	SP	2	
PNUR 1867 PN Hlth Promo & Restoration Clinical II	SP	2	
Semester Credits		10	

FOURTH SEMESTER

Course	Term	Credits	Milestones/Progress Check
PNUR 1900 PN Transition to Practice	SU	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An NCLEX predictor test is given with assigned remediation at the beginning of the semester; then a repeat of the predictor test is given at the end of the semester Attendance at a live two day review session to prepare for
PNUR 1906 PN Transition to Practice Practicum	SU	1	
ENGL 1100 Composition I	AU/SP/SU	3	
Semester Credits		6	
Total		36	

AU: Autumn Semester/SP: Spring Semester/SU: Summer Semester
Requirements subject to change.