

LPN CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

The PN program prepares individuals to provide fundamental nursing skills based on their knowledge of common health problems. The practical nurse is an essential member of the healthcare team who practices in structured healthcare settings where policies and procedures are specified and guidance is available. The role of the practical nurse is defined by the Illinois Nurse Practice Act (Sec. 55-30).

Graduates of the Practical Nurse Certificate Program are awarded a certificate of completion of the practical nursing program and are eligible to sit for the NCLEX-PN Exam to seek licensure as practical nurses.

END OF PROGRAM STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES (EPSLO) (TERMINAL OBJECTIVES) FOR PN STUDENTS

EPSLO 1: Patient-Centered Care: Applies beginning critical thinking skills in the delivery of the nursing process to promote and maintain the health and wellness of patients across the life span in a variety of settings.

EPSLO 2: Teamwork and Collaboration: Cooperates within intra- and interdisciplinary healthcare team members to foster open communication, respect, and shared decision-making.

EPSLO 3: Evidence-Based Practice and Quality Improvement:

1. Demonstrates awareness and the importance of evidence-based practices by utilizing interventions appropriately.
2. Identifies opportunities for quality improvements.
3. Provides safe and holistic nursing care.

EPSLO 4: Safety: Provides safe and holistic nursing care.

EPSLO 5: Informatics: Utilizes information technology to communicate, manage, and support positive patient outcomes and enhance nursing practice.

EPSLO 6: Professionalism: Assumes accountability for practice as a practical nurse in accordance with professional, legal and ethical standards as well as institutional policies and procedures.

Important Notes

- No grade lower than C is accepted for major requirements.
- Nursing courses are sequential. Therefore, students must successfully pass a course with a minimum of C to meet the prerequisite of the next course in the sequence. Example: BIO273 must be passed in order to take BIO274, and so on throughout the curriculum.
- Nursing courses are not eligible for transfer credit.

Certificate Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
General Education Courses		
BIO273	Anatomy and Physiology I w/Lab	4
BIO274	Anatomy and Physiology II w/Lab	4
Major Core		
HSC102	Pharmacology Essentials	4
NUR101	Academic Success Seminar	3
NUR103	Adult Medical-Surgical Nursing	9
NUR103C	Adult Medical-Surgical Nursing-Clinical	0
NUR103L	Adult Medical-Surgical Nursing-Lab	0

NUR104	Maternal Child Nursing	2.5
NUR104C	Maternal Child Nursing-Clinical	0
NUR105	Nursing Care of Children	2.5
NUR105C	Nursing Care of Children-Clinical	0
NUR106	PN Role Transition	7
NUR106C	PN Role Transition-Clinical	0
NUR107	PN Capstone	2
NUR112	Foundation of Nursing	6
NUR112C	Foundation of Nursing-Clinical	0
NUR112L	Foundation of Nursing-Lab	0
Total Hours		44

Practical Nursing Certificate (1.5-Year Plan)

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This plan is designed for a full-time student.

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
BIO273	Anatomy and Physiology I w/Lab	4
BIO274	Anatomy and Physiology II w/Lab	4
NUR101	Academic Success Seminar	3
Hours		11
Second Semester		
HSC102	Pharmacology Essentials	4
NUR112	Foundation of Nursing	6
NUR112C	Foundation of Nursing-Clinical	0
NUR112L	Foundation of Nursing-Lab	0
Hours		10
Third Semester		
NUR103	Adult Medical-Surgical Nursing	9
NUR103C	Adult Medical-Surgical Nursing-Clinical	0
NUR103L	Adult Medical-Surgical Nursing-Lab	0
NUR104	Maternal Child Nursing	2.5
NUR104C	Maternal Child Nursing-Clinical	0
NUR105	Nursing Care of Children	2.5
NUR105C	Nursing Care of Children-Clinical	0
Hours		14
Second Year		
First Semester		
NUR106	PN Role Transition	7
NUR106C	PN Role Transition-Clinical	0
NUR107	PN Capstone	2
Hours		9
Total Hours		44

Practical Nursing Certificate (Two-Year Plan)

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This plan is designed for a part-time student.

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
BIO273	Anatomy and Physiology I w/Lab	4
BIO274	Anatomy and Physiology II w/Lab	4
Hours		8
Second Semester		
HSC102	Pharmacology Essentials	4
NUR101	Academic Success Seminar	3
Hours		7
Third Semester		
NUR112	Foundation of Nursing	6
NUR112C	Foundation of Nursing-Clinical	0
NUR112L	Foundation of Nursing-Lab	0
Hours		6
Second Year		
First Semester		
NUR103	Adult Medical-Surgical Nursing	9
NUR103C	Adult Medical-Surgical Nursing-Clinical	0
NUR103L	Adult Medical-Surgical Nursing-Lab	0
Hours		9
Second Semester		
NUR104	Maternal Child Nursing	2.5
NUR104C	Maternal Child Nursing-Clinical	0
NUR105	Nursing Care of Children	2.5
NUR105C	Nursing Care of Children-Clinical	0
Hours		5
Third Semester		
NUR106	PN Role Transition	7
NUR106C	PN Role Transition-Clinical	0
NUR107	PN Capstone	2
Hours		9
Total Hours		44