

# Practical Nursing

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## Practical Nursing Concepts and Skills I

NURSP 1101 - 10 Credits

Fundamental concepts and skills used by the Practical Nurse when caring for adult and elderly patients with normal and common health problems requiring medical/surgical interventions in a variety of health care settings. Application of the nursing process for health promotion and maintenance, disease prevention, and supporting a dignified death. Skills and techniques developed and demonstrated in nursing skills laboratory and clinical setting. Includes the administration of medications and intravenous therapy in the clinical setting. Prerequisite: Admission to the Practical Nursing Program and Psychology 2237 with a grade of C or better or equivalent (4 lecture hours, 16 lab hours)

## Pharmacology for the Practical Nurse

NURSP 1102 - 4 Credits

Concepts and skills related to the role of the Practical Nurse in the administration of medications and intravenous therapy to patients across the life span. Includes content about medications necessary for safe and effective patient care. Emphasis is placed on special considerations for the geriatric patient. Prerequisite: Admission into the Practical Nursing Program and Psychology 2237 with a grade of C or better or equivalent (3 lecture hours, 2 lab hours)

## Practical Nursing Concepts and Skills II

NURSP 1103 - 5 Credits

Concepts and skills required of the Practical Nurse when caring for adults and elderly patients requiring mental health interventions and for the childbearing family and children in a variety of health care settings. Application of the nursing process for health promotion and maintenance, and disease prevention. Skills and techniques developed and demonstrated in the clinical setting. Includes administration of medications and intravenous therapy. Prerequisite: Admission to the Practical Nursing Program and Practical Nursing 1101 and Practical Nursing 1102 with a grade of C or better, or equivalent (3 lecture hours, 6 lab hours)

## Practical Nursing Concepts and Skills 3

NURSP 1104 - 7 Credits

Advanced concepts and skills involved in the role of the Practical Nurse when caring for patients across the lifespan with normal and common health care problems in a variety of health care settings. Skills and techniques developed and demonstrated in the nursing skills laboratory and clinical setting. Includes the administration of medications and intravenous therapy in the clinical setting. Prerequisite: Admission into the Practical Nursing Program and Practical Nursing 1103

with a grade of C or better, or equivalent and concurrent enrollment in Practical Nursing 1105 and Practical Nursing 1106 (4 lecture hours, 8 lab hours)

## **Practical Nurse Role Transition**

### **NURSP 1105 - 5 Credits**

Integration of all concepts and skills taught in the previous nursing courses looking at more complex patient situations and nursing care. Skills and techniques are perfected in the clinical setting. Includes the administration of medications and intravenous therapy. Issues related to transition from student to practicing nurse. Includes a review for National Council Licensure Examination - Practical Nurse (NCLEX-PN) and strategies for success. Prerequisite: Admission into the Practical Nursing Program and Practical Nursing 1103 with a grade of C or better, or equivalent and concurrent enrollment in Practical Nursing 1104 and Practical Nursing 1106 (2 lecture hours, 9 lab hours)

## **Issues and Trends in Practical Nursing**

### **NURSP 1106 - 3 Credits**

Current nursing and health care issues and trends affecting Practical Nursing. Covers ethics and legal aspects of Practical Nursing practice. Comprehensive review of the Illinois Nurse Practice Act. Prerequisite: Admission into the Practical Nursing Program and Practical Nursing 1103 with a grade of C or better, or equivalent and concurrent enrollment in Practical Nursing 1104 and Practical Nursing 1105 (3 lecture hours)

## **Medical Corpsman to Practical Nurse**

### **NURSP 1107 - 6 Credits**

Addresses differences in competencies between the Medical Education and Training Campus (METC) Basic Medical Technician Corpsman Program and those of a practical nursing program as delineated in the Illinois Nurse Practice Act. Upon successful course completion, students will be awarded a practical nurse certificate and be eligible to sit for the practical nurse licensing exam (NCLEX-PN). Prerequisite: Successful completion of the METC Basic Medical Technician Corpsman Program within the last five years. If more than five years, at least one year of experience using corpsman skills within the last five years. (2 lecture hours, 8 lab hours)

## **Internship (Career & Technical Ed)/Coop Ed/Internship Occup**

### **NURSP 2860 - 1-4 Credits**

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Course requires participation in Career and Technical Education work experience with onsite supervision. Internship learning objectives are developed by student and faculty member, with approval of employer, to provide appropriate work-based learning experiences. Credit is earned by working a minimum of 75 clock hours per semester credit hour, up to a maximum of four credits. Prerequisite: 2.0 cumulative grade point average; 12 semester credits earned in a related field of study; students work with Career Services staff to obtain approval of the internship by the Associate Dean from the academic discipline where the student is planning to earn credit.

## Internship Advanced (Career & Tech Ed)

### NURSP 2865 - 1-4 Credits

Continuation of Internship (Career and Technical Education). Course requires participation in Career & Technical Education work experience with onsite supervision. Internship learning objectives are developed by student and faculty member, with approval of employer, to provide appropriate work-based learning experiences. Credit is earned by working a minimum of 75 clock hours per semester credit hour, up to a maximum of four credits. Prerequisite: 2.0 cumulative grade point average; 12 semester credits earned in a related field of study; students work with Career Services staff to obtain approval of the internship by the Associate Dean from the academic discipline where the student is planning to earn credit.