CERTIFICATE

PRACTICAL NURSING

CURRICULUM CHECKLIST

Contact Linda Pruitt at 757.789.1772 or the Chief Academic Officer 757.789.1748

The certificate program in Practical Nursing is designed to prepare beginning practitioners for a career as Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN) with the knowledge and skills to care for clients of all age groups and function as contributing members of the health care team in a variety of health service facilities. At the successful completion of the program, students will be eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-PN) leading to licensure as a practical nurse. The NCLEX-PN pass rate for 2012 was 100%. The practical nursing program has full approval by the Virginia Board of Nursing. For program admission details see Catalog, page 96.

Course		Credit	Grade	Co/PreReq	Notes
	REQUIRED GENERAL EDUCATION CO	URSES (10 CREDITS	S)	
SDV 101	Orientation to Health Careers	1			
ENG 111	College Composition I	3		Placement	
PSY 200	Principles of Psychology	3	-	ENG 111	
PSY 235	Child Psychology	3		ENG 111	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
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	PRACTICAL NURSE COURSES	(40 CRED	OITS)		
NUR 135	Drug Dosage Calculations	1			
	Care of Maternal, Newborn, & Pediatric				
PNE 136	Patients	4			
PNE 155	Body Structure & Function	4		†	
PNE 161	Nursing in Health Changes I	6			
PNE 162	Nursing in Health Changes II	10		 	
PNE 173	Pharmacology for Practical Nurses	2		 	
PNE 163	Nursing in Health Changes III	8			
PNE 116	Normal Nutrition	1			
PNE 145	Trends in Practical Nursing	1			
PNE 158	Mental Health and Psychiatric Nursing	1			
PNE 174	Pharmacology for Practical Nurses II	2			

Total Minimum Credits Required....(50)

May be eligible for Federal/State financial aid by completing the FAFSA (Contact Carole Read at 757.789.1733) For an appointment to complete the FAFSA contact (Shelly Mize on Monday or Wednesday at 757.789.1727) May be eligible for Workforce Investment Act funding (Contact 757.789.1757)

Upon successful completion of the Practical Nursing program, students will be able to:

- apply nursing concepts based on bio-psycho-social cultural and spiritual aspects of individual patients across the life span;
- · utilize the nursing process in providing safe, prudent nursing care to patients experiencing alterations in basic human needs;
- relate cause and effect in disease, injury and disability to the bio-psycho-social cultural, and spiritual health of the individual;
- demonstrate competency in the performance of basic clinical nursing skills;
- · interact professionally with peers and members of other health care disciplines;
- · use concepts of the nursing process that include conducting a focused nursing assessment of the patient status, be able to make appropriate decisions about who and when to inform, identify patient needs, plan for nursing care, implement appropriate aspects of nursing care, and contribute to the evaluation of patient outcomes;
- complete requirements for application for licensure by the Virginia State Board of Nursing;
- demonstrate professional growth and development by acquiring knowledge and skills through continuing education.

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