

NURSING

Practical Nursing Certificate

This 38 credit-hour certificate program is designed to educate the student to become a practical nurse.

The Practical Nursing certificate qualifies the graduate to sit for the NCLEX-PN and application for Illinois licensure as a practical nurse. Legal limitations could prohibit an individual from taking this licensing examination. Questions regarding these restrictions should be directed to the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulations at 217.782.8556. Positions in practical nursing are available in a variety of health care settings.

Because of the nature of clinical experiences and individual instruction required in this program and specialized technology and equipment necessary to offer this program, a higher tuition rate is assessed for career specific courses. These include courses with the NUR prefix. Students pay 1.5 the regular rate of tuition.

Admission Requirements:

Practical Nursing is a limited enrollment program. Applicants must have completed a CNA program and be active on the Illinois Department of Public Health, Health Care Worker Registry. For admission requirements, please contact the Admission Outreach Office at 847.925.6700 or visit harpercollege.edu.

Students who apply for this limited enrollment program are obligated to meet current admission requirements and follow program curriculum as defined at the time of acceptance to the program. Upon admission to the Practical Nursing Certificate, the mathematics requirement is met.

PREREQUISITES:

A grade of C or better in all coursework is required for all students.

Number	Course Title	Credits
BIO 260	Human Anatomy	4
ENG 101	Composition I	3
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	3

FIRST SEMESTER:

A grade of C or better in all coursework is required for all students.

Number	Course Title	Credits
BIO 261	Human Physiology	4
NUR 101	PN Fundamentals	4
NUR 131	PN Fundamentals Clinical	3
NUR 213	Advanced Pharmacology	2

SECOND SEMESTER:

A grade of C or better in all coursework is required for all students.

Number	Course Title	Credits
NUR 102	PN Medical Surgical Nursing	2
NUR 108	PN Mental Health Nursing	1
NUR 109	PN Maternity and Pediatrics	2
NUR 132	PN Medical Surgical Clinical	2
NUR 139	PN Maternity and Pediatrics Clinical	2
PSY 228	Psychology of Human Development	3

THIRD SEMESTER:

A grade of C or better in all coursework is required for all students.

Number	Course Title	Credits
NUR 104	PN Field Experience	3