

# Nursing Curriculum

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# Program Overview

Piedmont Technical College's nursing programs meet the unique learning needs of students by providing a quality education. They prepare students for the challenges of modern health care. The classroom instruction in nursing concepts, coupled with practical clinical experience at area health care providers will ensure that the graduates are well qualified to enter the nursing field. Upon completion of the designated clinical programs, students will be prepared to take the NCLEX licensure examination.

### PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

### D.A.S., MAJOR IN PRACTICAL NURSING

The Practical Nursing (PN) program is designed to afford the student the opportunity to acquire knowledge, skills and attitudes needed to provide supervised health care to individuals and families across the lifespan in a variety of settings.

The PN program is three semesters. Students are admitted in the fall to the Lex Walters Campus-Greenwood and in the spring to the Laurens campus.

Graduates of the PN program are eligible to apply to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX- PN). The licensed PN (LPN) is qualified to continue their nursing education through the LPN to ADN transition program.

The PN program is approved by the Board of Nursing for SC.

**Admission:** Acceptance into Piedmont Technical College's PN program is competitive and is limited to 32 students to begin fall and spring semesters. See the college calendar or website for application dates.

Students must meet the following criteria to be considered for admission into the PN program:

- Complete the following courses (minimum "C" grade required):
  - BIO 112 Basic Anatomy and Physiology
  - ENG 101 English Composition I

- MAT 120 Probability and Statistics or MAT 110 College Algebra
- PSY 201 General Psychology
- Minimum grade point average for the above 4 courses of 2.5. A grade point average calculator can be found on the Health Care Resources section of the college website.
- TEAS score of <u>65%</u> or higher in math and <u>65%</u> or higher in reading.
- 4. Good academic standing at the college.

\*These requirements will not prepare PN graduates to continue their nursing education in the ADN program. Students interested in continuing their education in the ADN program should take the biology needed for the ADN program.

Upon acceptance into the major coursework of the PN program, it will take three (3) semesters to complete the program.

#### **GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES**

COURSES

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	BIO 112	Basic Anatomy and Physiolo	gy4.0
	ENG 101	English Composition	3.0
	MAT 120	Probability and Statistics	3.0
		or MAT 110 College Algebra	
	PSY 201	General Psychology	3.0
			SUBTOTAL: 13.0
	DECLUDED CORE SURIECT AREAS		

#### REQUIRED CORE SUBJECT AREAS

COURSES		CREDIT HOURS
PNR 110	Fundamentals of Nursing	5.0
PNR 128	Medical/Surgical Nursing I.	7.0
PNR 154	Maternal/Infant/Child Nurs	sing5.0
		SUBTOTAL: 17.0

# OTHER COURSES REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION COURSES CREDIT HOURS

COURSES		CREDII HOURS
PNR 122	Pharmacology	3.0
PNR 138	Medical/Surgical Nursing II	7.0
PNR 170	Nursing of the Older Adult	2.0
PNR 183	Special Topics in Practical Nu	rsing3.0

SUBTOTAL: 15.0

CREDIT HOURS

**TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 45.0** 

# A.A.S., MAJOR IN NURSING

The Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) program enables students to become caring registered nurses, committed to lifelong learning and service. The program provides students with knowledge, skills and attitudes needed to apply the nursing process to individuals and families across the life span in a variety of settings.

Graduates of the ADN program are eligible to apply to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN). The licensed ADN is qualified to pursue a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing (BSN).

The ADN program is approved by the Board of Nursing for SC and is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) (www.acenursing.org) 3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850, Atlanta, GA 30326; (404) 975-5000, (404) 975-5020 (fax); info@acenursing.org.

**Admission:** Acceptance into Piedmont Technical College's ADN program is competitive and is limited to 32 students to begin fall and spring semesters. To be eligible to apply for the clinical ADN program, students must meet the following requirements:

- Complete the following courses (minimum "C" grade required):
  - BIO 210 Anatomy and Physiology I
  - ENG 101 English Composition I
  - MAT 120 Probability and Statistics or MAT 110 College Algebra
  - PSY 201 General Psychology
- 2. Minimum grade point average for the above 4 courses of 2.5. A grade point average calculator can be found on the Health Care Resources section of the college website.
- 3. TEAS score of <u>65%</u> or higher in math and <u>65%</u> or higher in reading.
- 4. Good academic standing at the college.

Completion of the Associate in Applied Science with a major in Nursing requires four (4) semesters upon acceptance to the major studies coursework.

GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES		
COURSE	S CREDIT HOURS	
BIO 210	Anatomy and Physiology I4.0	
BIO 211	Anatomy and Physiology II4.0	
ENG 101	English Composition I	
MAT 120	Probability and Statistics	
	or MAT 110 College Algebra	
PSY 201	General Psychology3.0	
	Elective Humanities/Fine Arts 3.0	
	SUBTOTAL: 20.0	
REQUIR	ED CORE SUBJECT AREAS	
COURSE	S CREDIT HOURS	
NUR 101	Fundamentals of Nursing	
NUR157	Applications of Nursing Concepts7.0	
NUR 162	Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing 3.0	
NUR 211	Care of Childbearing Family4.0	
NUR 212	Nursing Care of Children4.0	
	SUBTOTAL: 24.0	
OTHER (	COURSES REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION	
COURSE		
NUR 139	Introduction to Nursing Concepts	
NUR 216	Nursing Seminar	
NUR 219	Nursing Management and Leadership4.0	
NUR 227	Application of Nursing Concepts II7.0	
NUR 232	Gerontology	
	SUBTOTAL: 18.0	
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 62.0	

## LPN TO ADN PROGRAM

Students who have successfully completed the practical nursing program, hold an active unencumbered PN license, and have earned a minimum score of the 65 percentile on the National League for Nursing's Foundation for Nurses examination may be admitted to the ADN program after meeting the following additional requirements:

- 1. Complete the following courses with a "C" or higher: BIO 210, BIO 211, ENG 101, MAT 110 or MAT 120, PSY 201 and an elective in Humanities/Fine Arts
- Complete NUR 201 and NUR 203 with a minimum grade of "C" to receive exemption credit through demonstrated competence for NUR 101, NUR 139 and NUR 157. This is a requirement for progression in the transition program.

Graduate LPN students may also enter the program through the normal admission process but will not be eligible for the exemption credit without meeting the above criteria. (Please visit www.ptc.edu/transition for additional program acceptance guidelines.)

GENERA	AL EDUCATION COURSES
COURSE	CREDIT HOURS
BIO 210	Anatomy and Physiology I4.0
BIO 211	Anatomy and Physiology II4.0
ENG 101	English Composition I
MAT 120	Probability and Statistics
	or MAT 110 College Algebra
PSY 201	General Psychology
	Elective Humanities/Fine Arts3.0
	SUBTOTAL: 20.0
REQUIR	ED CORE SUBJECT AREAS
COURSE	CREDIT HOURS
NUR 162	Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing 3.0
NUR 201	Transition Nursing
NUR 211	Care of Childbearing Family4.0
NUR 212	Nursing Care of Children4.0
NUR 232	Gerontology3.0
	SUBTOTAL: 17.0
	COURSES REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION
COURSE	
	Transition for Licensed Practical Nursing 1.0
	Nursing Seminar
NUR 219	
NUR 227	Application of Nursing Concepts II7.0
	SUBTOTAL: 13.0
	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 50.0</b>

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