



Practical Nursing Certificate (PN21)- 49 Credit Hours

Program Description:

The Practical Nursing program is designed to prepare students to write the NCLEX-PN for licensure as Practical Nurses. The program prepares graduates to give competent nursing care. This is done through a selected number of occupational courses providing a variety of techniques and materials necessary to assist the student in acquiring the knowledge and skills needed to give competent care. The nursing program covers all theoretical content areas outlined in Georgia Board Rule 410-9-06 (5a & 5b). A variety of clinical experiences is planned so that theory and practice are integrated under the guidance of the clinical instructor. Program graduates receive a Practical Nursing certificate and have the qualifications of an entry-level practical nurse. Students most commonly will have to submit a satisfactory criminal background check as well as a drug screen to be placed in a clinical health care facility to complete the clinical rotations of their educational training. Licensing required.

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<https://sctech.smartcatalogiq.com/current/catalog/allied-health-programs/pn21-practical-nursing-certificate-technical-certificate-of-credit/>

Pre-Certificate Admission Requirements

Program Specifics

- Practical Nursing program is delivered in a full-time, day-time format. Program instruction is scheduled Monday-Thursday from 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. for the duration of the program.
- **NEW Practical Nursing Cohort begins every Fall and Spring on Griffin and Flint River Campuses.**

FALL PROGRAM ENTRANCE

S = Semester; CR = Credit Hours; FA = Fall; SP = Spring; SU = Summer

✓	Grade	Semester 1	S	CR	Notes & Milestones
		PNSG 1600 Introduction to Pharmacology and Clinical Calculations	FA	3	
		PNSG 1605 Fundamentals	FA	6	
		PNSG 1610 Adult Health Nursing I	FA	6	
		PNSG 1630 Mental Health Nursing	FA	4	
				19	Program Semester Hours
✓	Grade	Semester 2	S	CR	Notes & Milestones
		PNSG 1615 Adult Health Nursing II	SP	6	
		PNSG 1620 Adult Health Nursing III	SP	6	
		PNSG 1640 Pediatric Nursing	SP	3	
				15	Program Semester Hours
✓	Grade	Semester 3	S	CR	Notes & Milestone
		PNSG 1645 Practical Nursing Capstone	SU	5	
		PNSG 1625 Adult Health Nursing IV	SU	6	
		PNSG 1635 Maternal Nursing	SU	4	
				15	Program Semester Hours
				49	Program Completion Hours

SPRING PROGRAM ENTRANCE

S = Semester; CR = Credit Hours; FA = Fall; SP = Spring; SU = Summer

✓	Grade	Semester 1	S	CR	Notes & Milestones
		PNSG 1600 Introduction to Pharmacology and Clinical Calculations	SP	3	
		PNSG 1605 Fundamentals	SP	6	
		PNSG 1610 Adult Health Nursing I	SP	6	
		PNSG 1630 Mental Health Nursing	SP	4	
				19	Program Semester Hours
✓	Grade	Semester 2	S	CR	Notes & Milestones
		PNSG 1615 Adult Health Nursing II	SU	6	
		PNSG 1620 Adult Health Nursing III	SU	6	
		PNSG 1640 Pediatric Nursing	SU	3	
				15	Program Semester Hours
✓	Grade	Semester 3			Notes & Milestone
		PNSG 1625 Adult Health Nursing IV	FA	6	
		PNSG 1635 Maternal Nursing	FA	4	
		PNSG 1645 Practical Nursing Capstone	FA	5	
				15	Program Semester Hours
				49	Program Completion Hours

Admission Criteria for Practical Nursing (PN12)

Admission to Practical Nursing certificate programs is based on a selection criteria process. There are minimum requirements for admission and meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission to the program. Be sure to review the [Competitive Selection Program Statistics](#).

- Griffin Campus – May 17-31st deadline for Fall Semester cohort start date
- Flint River Campus- October 17-31st for Spring Semester cohort start date

Selection Criteria Requirements

- Submit current HESI A2 scores (minimum score of 60 is required for this program). Scores cannot be older than one year at the time of application.
 - This exam comprises seven separate tests that measure abilities, skills, knowledge and attitudes important for success in the program and career choice.
 - HESI A2 Exam maximum of two (2) attempts allowed per calendar year. **Please note** that the HESI A2 may only be taken **twice per calendar year**, and scores are valid for **one year** from the test date. It is *strongly recommended* that applicants take the HESI A2 **on the SCTC campus** to ensure the exam meets all required components. If the exam does not meet all requirements, **it will not be accepted**, and the applicant will be deemed **ineligible for admission**. A copy of the highest earned HESI A2 Score Report must be attached to the program application. Students may schedule the exam through Continuing Education.
- **At least 1 (one) year of verifiable Healthcare Work Experience within the last 2(two) years.** To verify work experience, a letter from the Human Resources Department of the employing company on their company letterhead verifying job title, job duties, and dates of employment must be received with the application by the deadline.
- Practical Nursing Competitive Selection Program Application [Allied Health Program Application](#)
- Allow 4-6 weeks from the program deadline date to receive acceptance or denial letter

Selection Criteria, Point System:

- Applicants will be ranked on a point scale for selection criteria based on their mandatory HESI A2 exam score and additional optional items. The highest ranked applicants will be admitted into the Practical Nursing program.

Additional Optional Items:

This category is **not required**. Licensure must be active in the state of Georgia for at least one year and verified through the state registry. 5 points awarded for **ONLY ONE** certificate, degree or diploma.

- Certified Paramedic
- RMA registered by American Medical Technologist
- Certified Nursing Assistant
- Certified EMT/AEMT
- AMT/ASCP Certification -Phlebotomy
- Hemodialysis Patient Care Specialist- Certified
- Degree Associates or Bachelors in any area from an accredited (U.S) college/university

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