

Practical Nursing (PN)

Courses

PN 125 KSPN Foundations of Nursing (4 Hours)

Corequisites: PN 126

This course utilizes the nursing standards of practice based on principles of biology, psychosocial, spiritual and cultural to meet the needs of clients throughout the lifespan. Emphasis is placed on basic nursing skills, client safety and therapeutic communication. Concepts and skills are enhanced in subsequent courses. 60 hrs lecture/semester.

PN 126 KSPN Foundations of Nursing Clinical (2 Hours)

Corequisites: PN 125

The art and science of nursing are explored in this clinical course. Emphasis is placed on the nursing process, cultural and spiritual awareness, communication, data collection, performance of basic nursing skills and documentation. Principles of safe medication administration are introduced. 90 clinical hrs./semester.

PN 130 KSPN Medical Surgical Nursing I* (4 Hours)

Corequisites: PN 131 Students must "pass" all clinical courses and maintain a grade of "C" or higher in all non-clinical PN courses to remain in the program.

Prerequisites or corequisites: PN 125 and PN 126 and

This course focuses on the effect of disorders of selected systems (respiratory, cardiovascular, hematologic & lymphatic, endocrine, integumentary, sensory and musculoskeletal) throughout the lifespan and applies the nursing process in meeting basic needs. Health promotion and maintenance, rehabilitation and continuity of care are emphasized. The role of the practical nurse is incorporated throughout. 60 hrs lecture/semester.

PN 131 KSPN Medical Surgical Nursing I Clinical (3 Hours)

Corequisites: PN 130

Prerequisites or corequisites: PN 125 with a grade of "C

Simulated and actual care situations of selected systems throughout the life span, utilizing acute and long-term care settings. An emphasis is placed on critical thinking and clinical decision-making skills. 135 clinical hrs./semester.

PN 135 KSPN Pharmacology (3 Hours)

Prerequisites or corequisites: PN 125 and PN 126 Note: Students must "pass" all clinical courses and maintain a

This course introduces the principles of pharmacology, drug classifications, and the effects of selected medications on the human body. The nursing process is used as the framework for ensuring safe and effective nursing care for clients across the lifespan. 45 hrs. lecture/semester.

PN 140 KSPN Maternal Child Nursing (2 Hours)

Prerequisites: PN 130 and PN 131 and PN 135

Corequisites: PN 141.

This course focuses on pre- and post-natal maternal nursing care, as well as, the care of children from infancy to adolescence. Emphasis is given to normal reproduction and frequently occurring biological, cultural, spiritual and psychosocial needs of the child-bearing and child-rearing family. 30 hrs. lecture/semester.

PN 141 KSPN Maternal Child Clinical* (1 Hour)

Prerequisites: PN 130 and PN 135 both with a grade of "C or higher and PN 131 with a passing grade

Corequisites: PN 140

This clinical course applies concepts from Maternal Child I. Emphasis is placed on the nursing process and meeting the basic needs of the maternal child client. 45 clinical hrs./semester.

PN 145 KSPN Mental Health Nursing* (2 Hours)

Prerequisites: PN 130 and PN 131 and PN 135 and Students must "pass" all clinical courses and maintain a grade of "C" or higher in all non-clinical PN courses to remain in the program

Corequisites: PN 146

This course explores basic concepts and trends in mental health nursing. Therapeutic modalities and client behavior management are discussed. Emphasis is placed on using the nursing process and meeting the basic human needs of the mental health client. 30 hrs. lecture/semester.

PN 146 Mental Health Nursing Clinical* (1 Hour)

Prerequisites: PN 130 and PN 135 both with a grade of "C" or higher and PN 131 with a passing grade

Corequisites: PN 145

This clinical course explores basic concepts and trends in mental health nursing. Therapeutic modalities and client behavior management are discussed. Emphasis is placed on using the nursing process and meeting the basic human needs of the mental health client. 45 hrs. clinical/semester.

PN 150 KSPN Medical Surgical Nursing II* (4 Hours)

Prerequisites: PN 130 and PN 131 and PN 135 grade of "C" or higher in all non-clinical PN courses to remain in the program

Corequisites: PN 151 Note: Students must "pass" all clinical courses and maintain a

This course focuses on the effect of disorders of selected systems throughout the lifespan using the nursing process in meeting basic needs. Prevention, rehabilitation and continuity of care are emphasized. The role of the practical nurse is incorporated throughout. 60 lecture hrs./semester.

PN 151 KSPN Medical Surgical Nursing II Clinical* (3 Hours)

Prerequisites: PN 130 and PN 135 both completed with a grade of "C" or higher and PN 131 completed with a passing grade

Prerequisites or corequisites: PN 150 completed with a

This experience uses simulated and actual care situations of selected systems throughout the lifespan, utilizing acute and long-term care settings. An emphasis is placed on critical thinking and clinical decision-making skill development. Principles of leadership for the practical nurse will be implemented, as well as multi-task management skills for transition as a practical nurse. 135 hrs. clinical/semester.

PN 155 KSPN Gerontology Nursing (2 Hours)

Prerequisites: Admission to Practical Nursing Program

This course is designed to explore issues related to the aging adult using the nursing process as the organizing framework. Also discussed are the impact of ageism, alterations in physiological and psychosocial functioning, and the role of the practical nurse in caring for older adult clients. 30 hrs. lecture/semester.

PN 170 Physical Assessment for the Practical Nurse* (3 Hours)

Prerequisites: Admission to the Practical Nursing Program and American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers (BLS)

Physical Assessment for the Practical Nurse is a three credit course designed to provide practical nursing students with a basic understanding and working knowledge of physical assessment in the adult. The course is divided into units that correlate with the body systems. Learning environments will include classroom, skills lab and simulation lab.