

## Practical Nursing (PN)

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### Courses

#### **PN 125 KSPN Foundations of Nursing\* (4 Hours)**

**Prerequisites :** Admission to the Practical Nursing Program.

This course introduces practical nursing and roles of the practical nurse as well as profession and client-related care concepts. Emphasis is placed on the knowledge and skills needed to provide safe, quality care. The theoretical foundation for basic data collection and nursing skills are presented and an introduction to the nursing process provides the student with a framework for decision making.

#### **PN 126 KSPN Foundations of Nursing Clinical\* (2 Hours)**

**Prerequisites :** Admission to the Practical Nursing Program.

**Corequisites:** PN 125.

This course introduces the skills required to practice nursing. The theoretical foundation for basic data collection and nursing skills are presented and the student is given an opportunity to demonstrate these skills in a clinical laboratory setting. Students are also given the opportunity to apply the nursing process to client-related situations.

#### **PN 130 KSPN Nursing Care of Adults I\* (4 Hours)**

**Prerequisites :** Admission to the Practical Nursing Program and PN 125 with a grade of "C" or higher and PN 126 with a passing grade.

**Corequisites:** PN 132.

This course focuses on the care of adult clients experiencing common medical/surgical health alterations with predictable outcomes. Emphasis is placed on the care of clients with alterations in cardiac output and tissue perfusion, oxygenation, regulation and metabolism, and integument. Principles of pre- and post-operative care and IV therapy are also addressed.

#### **PN 132 KSPN Nursing Care of Adult I Clinical\* (2 Hours)**

**Prerequisites :** Admission to the Practical Nursing Program and PN 125 with a "C" or higher and PN 126 with a passing grade.

**Corequisites:** PN 130.

This course focuses on the care of adult clients with common medical/surgical health alterations. The clinical laboratory experience gives students the opportunity to apply theoretical concepts from Nursing Care of Adults I and implement safe client care in selected settings.

#### **PN 136 KSPN Fundamentals of Pharmacology and Safe Medication Administration\* (2 Hours)**

**Prerequisites :** Admission to the Practical Nursing Program.

This course introduces the principles of pharmacology. Emphasis is placed on nursing care related to the safe calculation and administration of medications to clients across the life span.

#### **PN 140 KSPN Maternal Child Nursing\* (2 Hours)**

**Prerequisites :** Admission to the Practical Nursing Program.

**Corequisites:** PN 141.

This course provides an integrative, family-centered approach to the care of childbearing women, newborns, and children. Emphasis is placed on care of the pregnant woman and newborn, normal growth and development, and common pediatric disorders.

#### **PN 141 KSPN Maternal Child Nursing Clinical\* (1 Hour)**

**Prerequisites :** Admission to the Practical Nursing Program.

**Corequisites:** PN 140.

This course provides an integrative, family-centered approach to the care of childbearing women, newborns, and children. Students observe the uncomplicated birth process and practice postpartum care as well as care of the newborn in the clinical laboratory setting. Common pediatric diseases and the growth and development process is the focus of child-related clinical laboratory experiences.

#### **PN 145 KSPN Mental Health Nursing\* (2 Hours)**

**Prerequisites :** Admission to the Practical Nursing Program.

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 client with a mental health disorder.

#### **PN 150 KSPN Nursing Care of Adults II\* (4 Hours)**

**Prerequisites :** Admission to the Practical Nursing Program.

**Corequisites:** PN 152.

This course focuses on the care of adult clients experiencing common medical/surgical health alterations with predictable outcomes. Emphasis is placed on the care of clients with alterations in cognition and sensation, mobility, elimination, immunity and hematology, and reproduction. Principles related to emergency preparedness are also addressed.



**PN 152 KSPN Nursing Care of Adults II Clinical\* (2 Hours)**

**Prerequisites :** Admission to the Practical Nursing Program.

**Corequisites:** PN 150.

This course focuses on the care of adult clients with common medical/surgical health problems. The clinical laboratory experience gives students the opportunity to apply theoretical concepts from Nursing Care of Adults I and II and implement safe client care in selected settings. Students are also given the opportunity to practice leadership skills while managing a caseload of clients.

**PN 155 KSPN Care of Aging Adults\* (2 Hours)**

**Prerequisites :** Admission to the Practical Nursing Program.

This course is designed to explore issues related to aging adults. Course content addresses the impact of ageism, alterations in physiological and psychosocial functioning, and the role of the practical nurse in caring for older adult clients across a continuum of care.

**PN 175 KSPN Leadership, Roles and Issues\* (1 Hour)**

**Prerequisites :** Admission to the Practical Nursing Program.

This course provides orientation to leadership roles of the LPN and related responsibilities. It also introduces issues to students that they will encounter in the workplace.