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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:
- Hospitals
- Extended care facilities
- Physician's office
- Clinics
- Private duty
- Home Health

IT'S A FACT:
Nearly 70% of Washington State students receive financial aid.

The Practical Nursing program is fully approved by the Ohio Board of Nursing, and provides an excellent foundation for Associate Degree Nursing or Bachelor of Science degrees in Nursing (B.S.N.).

Washington State Community College also offers courses that may transfer to BSN programs.

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Practical Nursing Education

THE PROGRAM:
Practical nursing is an integral part of nursing practice. Graduates of the Practical Nursing program at Washington State Community College are prepared, under the guidance of a registered nurse or licensed physician, to function as responsible members of the health care team. Practical Nurses collaborate with Registered Nurses and physicians in the planning and delivery of direct nursing care in acute and long-term care facilities as well as other community settings. The Certificate of Practical Nursing Education provides classroom and clinical experiences to prepare graduates to become exemplary members of the healthcare team. Graduates of the Practical Nursing Program are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Exam for Practical Nursing (NCLEX-PN).

CAREER SKILLS:
Practical Nurses are concerned with basic therapeutic, rehabilitative and preventative care for people of all ages and cultures. The Practical Nurse (PN) participates in assessing, planning, implementing and evaluating the client's response to health care interventions, and demonstrates competencies identified by the National League of Nursing (2010). In addition to knowledge gained in nursing courses, graduates of a Practical Nursing Program gain valuable career skills for the healthcare environment. The graduate will demonstrate competence, caring and clinical judgment skills in providing safe, effective nursing care. The graduate will also demonstrate personal behaviors consistent with professional and employer expectations for the practical nurse.

ADMISSION:
Admission to the Practical Nursing program is based on a first-qualified, first-accepted procedure. Students must complete all requirements listed in the admissions packet and submit them prior to the deadline. General admission into the college does not grant admission into the program, but general admission into the college is required for program admission.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:
1. Complete application for admission to Washington State Community College.
2. Must be a high school graduate or possess a GED certificate.
3. Submit an official high school transcript or GED certificate, and official transcripts from any college(s) attended.
4. Complete application form for the Practical Nursing Program
5. Submit **ACT** or **SAT** scores, or submit **TEAS** Entrance Exam scores (ACT of 20 or higher required [ACT Superscoring, not accepted]; or SAT of 1050 or higher on verbal and math components; TEAS Exam score of 63.3 or greater.) ACT/SAT/TEAS not required for applicants with a Bachelor's degree.
6. Provide **three (3) non-family** references.
7. High School Algebra II or higher with a "C" or higher.
8. High School Biology or higher with a "C" or higher.
9. High School Chemistry or higher with a "C" or higher.
10. Complete **ENGL 1510** (or equivalent) with a "C" or above prior to entry into the program.
11. **GPA of 2.3 or higher** when applying and upon program entry.

STUDENT: _____ STUDENT ID #: _____

PHONE #: _____ DATE ENROLLED: _____

NUMBER#		COURSE TITLE	CR. HRS.	COMMENTS	SEM.	GRADE
PREREQUISITES MAY BE REQUIRED PRIOR TO ENROLLMENT IN SOME CLASSES						
ENGLISH COMPOSITION						
ENGL	1510	English Composition I	3		_____	_____
SOCIAL & BEHAVORIAL SCIENCES						
PSYC	1010	General Psychology	3		_____	_____
NATURAL SCIENCES						
BIOL	1510	Intro to Nutrition	3		_____	_____
BIOL	2310	Human Anatomy & Phys I	3		_____	_____
BIOL	231L	Human Anatomy & Phys I Lab	1		_____	_____
BIOL	2320	Human Anatomy & Phys II	3		_____	_____
BIOL	232L	Human Anatomy & Phys II Lab	1		_____	_____
PRACTICAL NURSING MAJOR						
NPNT	1800	Practical Nursing Concepts	2		_____	_____
NPNT	1810	Essential Clinical Nursing Skills	2		_____	_____
NPNT	1820	Health Alterations I (M/S/Clin)	5		_____	_____
NPNT	1830	Health Alterations II (M/S/Clin/Lab)	8		_____	_____
NPNT	1910	Maternal-Child Health	3		_____	_____
NPNT	2150	Nursing Pharmacology	3		_____	_____
NPNT	2240	Concepts in Behavioral Health Nursing	3		_____	_____

Total Credits for Certificate   **(43)**

To be eligible for graduation, *A grade of "C" or above is required in all support courses; a grade of "B" or above is required in all NPNT courses, and maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 2.3.*

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PRACTICAL NURSING EDUCATION

(Summer Entry)

PROGRAM PREREQUISITES:

High School Algebra II or MATH 0106 (Math Essentials) with a "C" or higher
High School Biology or BIOL 1010/BIOL 101L with a "C" or higher
High School Chemistry or CHEM 1210/CHEM 121L with a "C" or higher
ENGL 1510 English Composition I

SEMESTER I (SUMMER)

BIOL	1510	INTRO TO NUTRITION (3) 3-0
BIOL	2310	HUMAN ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY I (3) 3-0
BIOL	231L	HUMAN ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY I LAB (1) 0-3
NPNT	1800	PRACTICAL NURSING CONCEPTS (2) 2-0
PSYC	1010	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY (3) 3-0

SEMESTER II (FALL)

BIOL	2320	HUMAN ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY II (3) 3-0
BIOL	232L	HUMAN ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY II LAB (1) 0-3
NPNT	1810	ESSENTIAL CLINICAL NURSING SKILLS (2) 0-2-0
NPNT	1820	HEALTH ALTERATIONS I (M/S/CLIN) (5) 4-0-3
NPNT	2150	NURSING PHARMACOLOGY (3) 3-0

SEMESTER III (SPRING)

NPNT	1830	HEALTH ALTERATIONS II (M/S/CLIN/LAB) (8) 5-1.5-7.5
NPNT	1910	MATERNAL-CHILD HEALTH (3) 2.5-0.5-0
NPNT	2240	CONCEPTS IN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH NURSING (3) 3-0

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NPNT course credits are listed: *Lecture, Lab, Clinical*
Prerequisites are required for some courses. Evening courses may be required to complete this program.