

PRACTICAL NURSING (PNS)

Courses

PNS 101 Foundations of Nursing (4)

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, patient safety, and therapeutic communication. Concepts and skills are enhanced in subsequent courses.

PNS 115 Foundation of Nursing Clinical (2)

This course explores the art and science of nursing. 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.

PNS 121 Strategies for Success (2)

This course is the first in a sequence of practical nursing courses and is designed as an introduction to the many facets of the college experience. Emphasis is placed on affecting student success including orientation to the academic arena, study skills, computer proficiency, skills procedures, and basic mathematic skills.

PNS 145 KSPN Fund of Pharm&Safe Med Ad (2)

This course provides an introduction to 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.

PNS 152 KSPN Nursing Care of Adults I (5)

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.

PNS 155 KSPN Nursing Care Ad I Clinic (2)

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

PNS 212 KSPN Nursing Care of Adults II (5)

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.

PNS 215 KSPN Nursing Care Ad II Clinic (3)

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

PNS 221 Maternal Child Nursing (2)

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.

PNS 226 Maternal Child Nrs Clinical (1)

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.

PNS 232 KSPN Care of Aging Adults (2)

This course is designed to explore issues related to the 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.

PNS 235 KSPN Mental Health Nursing (2)

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.

PNS 242 KSPN Leadership, Roles & Issues (2)

This course provides orientation to leadership roles of the LPN and related responsibilities. It will introduce issues to the student they will encounter in the workplace.

PNS 245 NCLEX-PN (1)

This course is designed to provide a structured review of key content in the PN program. Test-taking strategies for NCLEX and requirements for NCLEX exam registration will be covered in this course. Review materials will be focused on foundations of nursing, care of the adult, mental health, pharmacology, maternal-child nursing, and leadership. The course will end with a comprehensive predictor to determine the student's readiness for the NCLEX exam.