

# PRACTICAL NURSING Certificate Program (#327P)

## PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (TOTAL CREDITS = 43)

<i>General Education</i>		<i>Major</i>	
ENGL 101 English Comp I	3	NURS 100 Fundamentals of Pract Nurs	10
PSYC 101 General Psychology	3	NURS 101 Concepts in Pract Nursing I	10
SOCI 201 Intro to Sociology*	3	NURS 102 Concepts in Pract Nursing II	<u>10</u>
BIOL 100 Basic Microbiol (1 cr) <u>or</u> BIOL 221 Microbiology (4 cr)	1		
BIOL 111 Intro Human Biol (3cr) <u>or</u> BIOL121 Anatomy & Phys I (4 cr)	3		
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**Program-specific courses** (taken upon acceptance into the clinical phase)

<b>Spring</b>	<b>Summer</b>	<b>Fall</b>
NURS 100	NURS 101	NURS 102

**The complete program is available only at the Lancaster and Harrisburg campuses. Prerequisites offered at all other campuses and on-line.**

### TIME COMMITMENTS FOR PRACTICAL NURSING STUDENTS 12 MONTH PROGRAM

Students who have not completed microbiology 100/221 are required to enroll in Microbiology concurrently with Nursing 100.

Time commitments for practical nursing students will vary according to the campus and the semester. In some cases the clinical experience will be scheduled during the day, as early as 7 am, or during the evening as late as 10 pm. Nursing simulation lab practice is in addition to these experiences.

The first 3 weeks of Nursing 100, you will spend your clinical time in the nursing simulation lab practicing and demonstrating proficiency in selected nursing skills Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 8 am – 3 pm.

During the program year, all students will have to arrange time for laboratory practice of nursing skills and return demonstrations. Also, students will need to view videos and complete computer modules in the computer lab.

Class and clinical preparation includes extensive reading assignments and active use of ATI including practice and proctored assessments with associated remediation. Plan to read and prepare for each class. Clinical assignments include several hours of prep time before each clinical day and follow-up assignments to be completed after each clinical experience.

The Harrisburg Practical Nursing (PN) program has added a clinical option in the Gettysburg area. Students who select the Harrisburg PN program will be assigned to clinical sites either in the Harrisburg or the Gettysburg area. Students will have the opportunity to indicate preference on the clinical application.

## PRACTICAL NURSING PROGRAM SAMPLE SCHEDULE

### Lancaster Campus

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>SPRING</b>				
<b>Spring Nursing 100 Clinical</b> 6 or 7:00 AM to 1 or 2:00 PM	<b>Spring Nursing 100 Class</b> 9:00-12:00 Noon	<b>Spring Nursing 100 Clinical</b> 6 or 7:00 AM to 1 or 2:00 PM	<b>Spring Nursing 100 Class</b> 9:00-12:00 Noon	<b>Spring Nursing 100 Clinical</b> 6 or 7:00 AM to 1 or 2:00 PM
<b>SUMMER</b>				
<b>Summer Nursing 101 Class</b> 8:00 AM to 4 PM	<b>Summer Nursing 101 Clinical</b> 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM	<b>Summer Nursing 101 Clinical</b> 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM	<b>Summer Nursing 101 Clinical</b> 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM	<b>Nursing 101</b> Summer – No class/ No clinical
<b>FALL</b>				
<b>Fall Nursing 102 Clinical</b> 6 or 7:00 AM to 1 or 2:00 PM	<b>Fall Nursing 102 Class</b> 9:00-12:00 Noon	<b>Fall Nursing 102 Clinical</b> 6 or 7:00 AM to 1 or 2:00 PM	<b>Fall Nursing 102 Class</b> 9:00-12:00 Noon	<b>Fall Nursing 102 Clinical</b> 6 or 7:00 AM to 1 or 2:00 PM

### Harrisburg Campus (Includes Gettysburg Clinical Option)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>SPRING SEMESTER</b>				
<b>Nursing 100 Clinical* <u>Spring Semester</u></b> 7 hours/day any time 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM	<b>Nursing 100 Class (in Hbg) <u>Spring Semester</u></b> 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM  Gettysburg students may have clinical 2-10 PM in GBG	<b>Nursing 100 Clinical* <u>Spring Semester</u></b> 7 hours/day any time 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM	<b>Nursing 100 Class (in Hbg) <u>Spring Semester</u></b> 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM  Gettysburg students may have clinical 2-10 PM in GBG	<b>Nursing 100 Clinical* <u>Spring Semester</u></b> 7 hours/day any time 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM
<b>SUMMER SEMESTER</b>				
<b>Nursing 101 Clinical <u>Summer Semester</u></b> 8 hours/day any time 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM	<b>Nursing 101 Clinical <u>Summer Semester</u></b> 8 hours/day any time 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM	<b>Nursing 101 Clinical <u>Summer Semester</u></b> 8 hours/day any time 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM	<b>Nursing 101 Class (in Hbg) <u>Summer Semester</u></b> 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM	<b>Nursing 101 <u>Summer Semester</u></b> No class/ No clinical
<b>FALL SEMESTER</b>				
<b>Nursing 102 Clinical* <u>Fall Semester</u></b> 7 hours/day any time 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM	<b>Nursing 102 Class (in Hbg) <u>Fall Semester</u></b> 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM  Gettysburg students may have clinical 2-10 pm in GBG	<b>Nursing 102 Clinical* <u>Fall Semester</u></b> 7 hours/day any time 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM	<b>Nursing 102 Class (in Hbg) <u>Fall Semester</u></b> 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM  Gettysburg students may have clinical 2-10 pm in GBG	<b>Nursing 102 Clinical* <u>Fall Semester</u></b> 7 hours/day any time 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM

Gettysburg students will travel to Harrisburg for all courses designated "Class" (in Hbg)

Gettysburg students will be in Gettysburg for courses designated "Clinical".

Gettysburg students may have clinical T/Th evenings 2-10 PM instead of M/W/F

**This practical nursing program is very demanding. Students must acquire the many skills and extensive knowledge necessary to safely practice as a licensed practical nurse. You will find that the work at times is overwhelming, but the rewards of nursing are worth the effort.**

**Students entering this major are required to meet with a practical nursing advisor.**

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