

# Practical Nursing

## PROGRAM INFORMATION

The Practical Nursing program prepares students for employment as beginning-level staff nurses under the direction of a registered nurse or physician. Employment opportunities are available in a variety of settings, including acute care hospitals, long-term care facilities, physicians' offices and clinics, local public health departments, and home health agencies.

## SCHEDULING AND ENTRY OPTIONS

The course of study begins in the Fall Semester at the Easley Campus with day classes and Spring Semester on the Oconee Campus at the Hamilton Career Center with evening classes. Students complete requirements in two semesters and a Summer Term. General Education courses are offered both day and evening and can be taken with Practical Nursing courses or in any term prior to entering the curriculum.

Completion of Nursing Assistant training is a prerequisite to PNR 110-Fundamentals of Nursing. This requirement can be satisfied with the AHS 117-Patient Care course, the Nurse Aide Certificate course, completion within Health Science Technology core, or work experience with department head approval.

## PROGRAM ACCREDITATION

The Practical Nursing program is approved by the State Board of Nursing for South Carolina and the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission. The National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, 33343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 500, Atlanta, GA, 30326, Phone: (404) 975-5000, Website: [www.nlnac.org](http://www.nlnac.org)

## DIPLOMA: Practical Nursing

**Graduation Credits Required: 43**

## DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS

**General Education: 12 Semester Credit Hours**

	<u>CREDITS</u>
BIO 110 General Anatomy and Physiology	3
ENG 155 Communications I	3
MAT 155 Contemporary Mathematics	3
PSY 103 Human Relations	3

Note: See section titled "General Education Course Requirements" on page 29.

**Required Program Courses: 31 Semester Credit Hours**

	<u>CREDITS</u>
PNR 110 Fundamentals of Nursing	5
PNR 120 Medical/Surgical Nursing I	5
PNR 122 Pharmacology	3
PNR 130 Medical/Surgical Nursing II	5
PNR 140 Medical/Surgical Nursing III	5
PNR 165 Nursing Care of Family	6
PNR 182 Special Topics in Practical Nursing	2

**Elective Program Courses: 0 Semester Credit Hours**

**General Electives: 0 Semester Credit Hours**

