# **Practical Nursing**

Technical Certificate (T.C.)

The Practical Nursing Program combines classroom instruction with skills lab, simulation lab, and clinical practicum experience. Students who successfully complete the program earn a technical certificate and are eligible to apply to take the National Council Licensure Exam for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN). A graduate who successfully passes this licensure will gain the title of Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN).

The Practical Nursing Program meets the requirements of and is approved by the Arkansas State Board of Nursing. The Practical Nursing Program is offered once per year and is 11 months in length.

Note: Practical nursing courses are not for open registration. Students must complete and submit a separate application to the Practical Nursing Program, must meet the admission requirements, must submit all required documentation, and must be selected for admission. Advanced standing is not recognized for this program of study.

## **Program Goal**

- 1. Prepare qualified workers for the healthcare delivery system.
- 2. Provide the opportunity for personal and professional student development.
- 3. Prepare students to continue their education in the healthcare field.

#### **Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs)**

- PLO 1. Students will demonstrate competency levels in the classroom and clinical setting so they qualify for initial employment.
- PLO 2. Students will demonstrate professional growth in a clinical setting.
- PLO 3. Students will show competency in the use of various health information systems and current technology to manage patient care in both the classroom and clinical setting.
- PLO 4. Students will participate in professional development activities within the community.
- PLO 5. Students will demonstrate their competency levels so that they are qualified for advanced education.



DEGREE PLAN 2021-2022

Program Prerequisites (10 hours)

Course Number	ACTS#	Course Title	Enrolled	Completed
AH 1143	N/A	Medical Terminology		
BIOL 2404	BIOL 2404	Anatomy & Physiology I [C1]		
MATH 1073	N/A	Math for Healthcare Professionals		

Fall (15 hours)

Course Number	Course Title	Enrolled	Completed
PN 1014	Strategies for Success		
PN 1023	Basic Nursing Concepts I		
PN 1122	Nursing Anatomy & Physiology		
PN 1222	Pharmacology I		
PN 1403	Clinical Practicum I		
PN 2011	Nutrition		

Spring Semester (16 hours)

Course Number	Course Title	Enrolled	Completed
PN 2021	Mental Health		
PN 2024	Basic Nursing Concepts II		
PN 2204	Nursing of Adults I		
PN 2232	Pharmacology II		
PN 2415	Clinical Practicum II		

Summer Semester (15 hours)

Course Number	Course Title	Enrolled	Completed
PN 2214	Nursing of Adults II		
PN 2234	Nursing of Mother Infants & Child		
PN 2242	Pharmacology III		
PN 2425	Clinical Practicum III		

**Total Credit Hours: 46** 

## **CO-REQUISITES**

C1 ENGL 1113-Composition I OR ENGL 1113 and ENGL 0121-Composition I Lab.

#### **General Information**

- Developmental coursework may be required in addition to the courses required for this degree and/or certificate(s).
- A [P] indicates that a prerequisite is required before the course can be taken. Refer to the prerequisites table listed below the degree plan or the course description in the College Catalog to determine the prerequisite.

## **General Requirements**

- This degree requires successful completion of 46 credit hours.
- All degree-seeking students are required to take Student Success.
- A minimum 2.00 cumulative grade point average is required for graduation.
- Satisfaction of all financial obligations due to the college is required for graduation.

## **Residency Requirement**

The student is required to complete a minimum of 15 semester hours in residence at SAU Tech for associate degrees and technical certificates and half of the credit hours required for certificates of proficiency as well as complete all other graduation requirements. Students who wish to pursue additional degrees must complete a minimum of 15 credit hours of difference between the degrees.

#### **ACTS Course Numbers**

The Arkansas Course Transfer System (ACTS) contains information about the transferability of courses within Arkansas public colleges and universities. Students are guaranteed the transfer of applicable credits and equitable treatment in the application of credits for admissions and degree requirements. Go to <a href="https://acts.adhe.edu">http://acts.adhe.edu</a> for more information.