

## PRACTICAL NURSING

**Delivery:** Daytime Classes  
**Start:** Summer, Fall or Spring Semester  
**Location:** Rosemount Campus

### Outcome

Practical Nursing Diploma .....42 cr.

### Major Description

The program equips graduates with the knowledge and skill set to administer safe, ethical, patient-centered nursing care in traditional and alternative health care settings. The Practical Nurse (PN) role within the nursing process is taught through classroom learning, simulated client care, and instructor-supervised clinical experiences in health care settings.

### Work Environment

Graduates of the Practical Nurse program must pass the NCLEX examination to become licensed. Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs), provide direct patient care under the supervision of a registered nurse (RN), advanced practice nurse (APN), physical assistant (PA), or physician (MD). Potential employers include hospitals, long-term care facilities, health care clinics, schools, home health agencies, and homes for special populations.

### Potential Job Titles

- Clinic Nurse
- Hospital Staff Nurse
- Charge Nurse
- Home Health Nurse
- Nursing Technician
- Office Nurse

### Salary Data

- Average Wage: \$21.62/hour
- Top Earners: \$23.56/hour

### Program Approval

The Practical Nursing program is approved by the Minnesota Board of Nursing.

### PRACTICAL NURSING – DIPLOMA

*This is a sample course sequence.  
 Please contact your program advisor regarding your academic plans.*

#### First Semester

HEAL1101	Anatomy and Physiology	4
HEAL1150	Health Career Mathematics	1
HEAL1060	Nursing Assistant	5
PSYC1350	Lifespan Development	4
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>14</b>

#### Second Semester

PNSG1010	Foundations of Nursing Practice	4
PNSG1355	Pharmacology	3
PNSG1400	Adult Health I	4
PNSG1600	Clinical I	4
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>15</b>

#### Third Second Semester

PNSG1410	Adult Health II	4
PNSG1620	Clinical II	4
PNSG1755	Behavioral Health Concepts	2
PNSG1805	Maternal and Child Health	2
PNSG2000	Nursing Capstone	1
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>13</b>

**TOTAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS 42**



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