

Practical Nursing

Certificate

General Program Information: 410-287-1000 or information@cecil.edu

The certificate is designed to give the student who has successfully completed the first two semesters of the nursing program and the summer Practical Nursing option an opportunity to enter the profession of nursing at the Licensed Practical Nursing level. Successful completion of the summer Practical Nursing option prepares the student for the National Council Licensure Examination -Practical Nurse (NCLEX-PN). The certificate program has specific objectives that correlate with the College's educational goals. These specific objectives are described in the Nursing Student's Manual.

Information on program admission, selection policies and procedures, and eligibility criteria is located in the college catalog.

| | <i>Certificate Requirements</i> | <i>Credits</i> |
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| BIO 208 | Human Anatomy and Physiology I | 3 |
| BIO 209 | Human Anatomy and Physiology II | 3 |
| BIO 218 | Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lab | 1 |
| BIO 219 | Human Anatomy and Physiology II Lab | 1 |
| EGL 101 | College Composition | 3 |
| LPN 204 | Practical Nurse Theory | 4 |
| LPN 206 | Professional, Legal and Ethical Issues | 1 |
| LPN 214 | Clinical Lab PN | 2 |
| NUR 101 | Concepts and Processes in Nursing | 2 |
| NUR 104 | Nursing Fundamentals Theory | 5 |
| NUR 105 | Care of Adult and Aging Clients | 4 |
| NUR 114 | Clinical Lab I: Nursing Fundamentals | 2 |
| NUR 115 | Clinical Lab II: Medical/Surgical Settings | 4 |

Total Credits Required in Certificate: 35

By the completion of the **Practical Nursing certificate program (PN)**, the Cecil College nursing PN graduates will consistently demonstrate the fundamental core values of nursing identified by NLN (Caring; Integrity; Diversity; and Excellence), and are prepared to:

1. Provide safe and competent nursing care at the PN level, while promoting human dignity, integrity, self-determination
2. Communicate effectively and appropriately with clients, families, health care team members and peers by promoting human dignity and patient advocacy
3. Operate within the PN scope of practice by demonstrating the application of critical thinking and nursing concepts in the clinical decision-making process.