

PRACTICAL NURSING

The practical nursing program prepares the individual to assist in providing general nursing care requiring basic knowledge of the biological, physical, behavioral, psychological and sociological sciences, and of nursing procedures which do not require the substantial skills, judgement, and knowledge of a registered nurse. This care is performed under the direction of a registered nurse, licensed physician, or dentist.

The following must be completed by March 31 for fall acceptance and October 31 for spring acceptance (when applicable):

1. Complete General Admission Requirements for Coahoma Community College
2. Complete a Health Occupations Application form
3. Documentation of the Accuplacer Test taken at Coahoma Community College or a minimum composite ACT score of 17 with a 14 in both reading and math.
4. Two letters of recommendation
5. Successfully complete a pre-entrance exam
6. Once accepted, show evidence of completion of required immunizations which includes
 - a. Positive serology of immunity to varicella (chicken pox) or immunization
 - b. Complete or started Hepatitis B vaccination series
7. Once accepted, complete a physical exam signed by a primary care provider.

PROGRAM PROGRESSION

Students admitted to the Practical Nursing Program must maintain a “C” or an 80 course average in all nursing courses and pass all clinical requirements to progress in the program.

NOTE: For Associate Degree Nursing and Practical Nursing: The Mississippi Board of Nursing may deny a license to persons when proof exists that such person has been party to certain acts or conditions. The following is a summary of these acts and conditions that may affect a new graduate seeking initial licensure. For the complete text, please refer to the Mississippi Board of Nursing Practice Law, Section 73-15-29.

1. Fraudulent attempt to obtain a license;
2. A conviction of a crime or moral turpitude’
3. Addiction to or dependence on alcohol or other habit-forming drugs;
4. Evidence of a physical, mental or emotional condition that renders them unable to perform nursing duties with reasonable skill and safety;
5. Been party to conduct that would constitute a crime as defined in Title 97 of the Mississippi Code of 1972;
6. Engagement in conduct likely to deceive, defraud or harm the public;
7. Violation of any provisions of the Mississippi Nursing Law.

PRACTICAL NURSING
 (Leading to a One-Year Certificate)
 Advisors: E. Gipson, E. Gordon
 Health Sciences Division
 Major Code: PNV

Practical Nursing is a twelve-month certificate program. The Practical Nursing Program prepares students to assist in providing general nursing care under direction of a registered nurse, physician, or dentist. Graduates of the Practical Nursing program will be awarded the Certificate of Practical Nursing and may apply for licensure to the Mississippi Board of Nursing and will be eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-PN®)

Freshman Year

<u>Fall Semester</u>		<u>Semester Hours</u>	<u>Spring Semester</u>		<u>Semester Hours</u>
PNV 1213	Body Structure/Functions	3	PNV 1614	Med/Surgical Nursing	4
PNV 1426	Fund of Nursing	6	PNV 1622	Med/Surg Nurs Clinic	2
PNV 1436	Fund of Nursing Lab	<u>6</u>	PNV 1634	Alterations Ad Hlth	4
			PNV 1642	Alterations Lab/Clinic	2
			PNV 1524	IV Therapy Concepts	<u>4</u>
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 <u>Summer Semester</u>		 <u>Semester Hours</u>			
PNV 1715	Maternal Child Nursing	5			
PNV 1813	Mental Health Concepts	3			
PNV 1914	Nursing Transition	<u>4</u>			
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Dual Enrollment Class

Advisor: S. Murphey
Health Sciences Division
Major Code: PNV

Freshman Year

<u>Fall Semester</u>		<u>Semester Hours</u>	<u>Spring Semester</u>	<u>Semester Hours</u>
PNV 1213	Body Structure/Function	3	PNV 1436	Fund/Nrsg/Lab/Clin <u>6</u>
PNV 1426	Fund/Nursing	<u>6</u>		
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<u>Summer Semester</u>		<u>Semester Hours</u>
PNV 1715	Maternal Child Nursing	5
PNV 1813	Mental Health Concepts	3
PNV 1524	IV Therapy Concepts	<u>4</u>
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Sophomore Year

<u>Fall Semester</u>		<u>Semester Hours</u>
PNV 1614	Med/Surg Nursing	4
PNV 1622	Med/Surg Clinical	2
PNV 1634	Alterations/Adult Health	4
PNV 1642	Alterations/Lab/Clinical	2
PNV 1914	Nursing Transition	<u>4</u>
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