



# Atlantic Technical College

## Practical Nursing (Career Dual Enrolled) Program Syllabus 2023-2024



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**Student Hours:**

**Monday – Friday**

**Class Hours:** 6:50 am-1:35pm CCHS  
 7:05 am-1:50 pm ATC

**Break:** 9:15 am-9:30 am CCHS  
 9:05 am-9:20 am ATC

**Lunch:** 10:40 am-11:10 am CCHS  
 11:05 pm-11:35 pm ATC

**Instructor Office Hours:**  
**Tuesdays & Wednesdays** 2:00pm – 3:00pm  
 Please schedule an appointment.

Program Name: Practical Nursing		
OCPs	Course Names	Hours
A	PRN0098 – Practical Nursing Foundations 1	300
B	PRN0099 – Practical Nursing Foundations 2	300
	PRN0290 – Medical Surgical Nursing 1	300
	PRN0291 – Medical Surgical Nursing 2	300
	PRN0690 – Comprehensive Nursing and Transitional Skills	150
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Instructor Office Hours:</b>  <b>Tuesdays &amp; Thursdays</b> 1: 45pm – 2: 45pm            Please schedule an appointment.</p>		

**Technical College Policy/Adult Student Attendance:**

- A student must be withdrawn after being absent for six (6) consecutive days.
- Two (2) additional absences may be allowed under certain circumstance with appropriate documentation.
- Please refer to the Student Handbook for postsecondary students.  
<http://www.atlantictechcollege.edu/atc-student-handbook/>

**Magnet High School/Attendance Policy:**  
 A student who has had at least five unexcused absences, or absences for which the reasons are unknown, within a calendar month, or 10 unexcused absences, or absences for which the reasons are unknown, within a 90-calendar-day period, may be exhibiting a pattern of non-attendance according to (F.S.1003.26 (1) (b)) and the School Board of Broward County, Policy 5.5.

**Required Book(s) and/or Online Access:**

**Terms 1 and 2:**

- AHA CPR for Healthcare Providers (2020)
- DeWitt, Susan C., (20). Fundamental Concepts and Skills for Nursing (6th Ed.). Philadelphia, Pa. Elsevier (+Student Guide)
- Thibodeau & Patton. (2020). Structure and Function of the Body (16 th Ed.). Philadelphia, Pa. Elsevier (+ Student guide)
- Taber’s Cyclopedic Medical Dictionary (22nd Ed.). Philadelphia, Pa. F.A. Davis
- Sim Chart (Evolve/Elsevier)
- Clayton, B., Willihnganz, M., (2020) 18<sup>th</sup> Ed. Basic Pharmacology for Nursing, Elsevier

**Required Materials/Supplies:**

- Rolling backpack
- 3-ring binder (can be hard/ soft cover, but no 3 prong folders)
- Dividers
- Loose leaf ruled paper
- Index cards 4x6 with ring binder
- Flash drive
- Blue or black and red ink pen
- #2 Pencil with eraser
- Agenda
- Headphones for HESI testing

<p>Watkins, Cynthia J (2018) Pharmacology Clear &amp; Simple (3rd Ed.). Philadelphia. F. A. Davis</p> <p><b>Term 3:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Linton &amp; Matteson (2023) 8 th Edition. Medical-Surgical Nursing (+Student Guide)</li> <li>• Clayton, B., Willihnganz, M., (2020) 18<sup>th</sup> Ed. Basic Pharmacology for Nursing, Elsevier</li> <li>• Watkins, Cynthia J (2018) Pharmacology Clear &amp; Simple (3rd Ed.). Philadelphia. F. A. Davis</li> <li>• Deglin, Judith H. &amp; Vallerand, April H &amp; Sanoski, Cynthia A. (2019) Davis’s Drug Guide for Nurses (15th Edition). Philadelphia, Pa. F.A. Davis Company</li> </ul> <p><b>Terms 4 and 5:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leifer, (2020). Introduction to Maternity and Pediatric Nursing (8th Ed). Philadelphia, Pa. Elsevier (Student Guide)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Clinical/Laboratory Equipment and Materials:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stethoscope</li> <li>• Sphygmomanometer – B/P Cuff</li> <li>• Bandage Scissors</li> <li>• Digital Thermometer</li> <li>• Pen Light</li> <li>• Gait Belt</li> <li>• Watch with Second Hand</li> <li>• Black/Red Pens</li> <li>• Black Sharpie</li> <li>• Index Cards</li> <li>• USB Drive</li> <li>• Rolling Backpack (Recommended)</li> <li>• Pharmacology Cards (Optional)</li> <li>• Pulse oximeter</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>All required books and most materials/supplies can be purchased from the ATC bookstore. Stop by during operational hours for pricing and purchasing information or visit: <a href="https://www.atlantictechcollege.edu/bookstore-price-list/">https://www.atlantictechcollege.edu/bookstore-price-list/</a>.</i></p>	
<p><b>Grading System:</b></p> <p>A 90 - 100%</p> <p>B 80 - 89%</p> <p>C 70 - 79%</p> <p>D 60 - 69%</p> <p>F 0 - 59%</p> <p>I Incomplete</p>	<p><b>Additional Program Specific Grading Information:</b></p> <p>Clinical Rotation Pass/Fail</p> <p>Theory Grade is comprised of 90% test scores and 10% for assignments, homework and projects.</p>
<p><b>View Your Grades:</b></p> <p><b>Grades can be viewed online by following the directions below:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Go to Clever SSO Website link: <a href="https://sso.browardschools.com">https://sso.browardschools.com</a> and login:       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Username: 10-digit student ID number</li> <li>b. Password: PMM/DD/YYYY (or your personally created password after initial login)</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Click on the FOCUS app on your Clever opening page. (You may need to scroll-down the page to see the FOCUS app.)</li> <li>3. Enter your FOCUS username and password.</li> </ol> <p><i>NOTE: If the Focus App. is not visible after logging into Clever, please navigate to the Broward Focus website directly: <a href="https://broward.focusschoolsoftware.com/focus/">https://broward.focusschoolsoftware.com/focus/</a>.</i></p>	
<p><b>Classroom/Lab Rules:</b></p> <p>Please see classroom/clinical/lab rules posted on Desire2Learn at <a href="https://broward.desire2learn.com/">https://broward.desire2learn.com/</a></p>	

**Industry Certification & State Credential Exam Cost:**

Nursing NCLEX exam, upon passing this industry credential the student will become Licensed Practical Nurse.

- \$200.00 Pearson Vue Testing Fee
- \$85.00 - \$100.00 Live Scan (background) Fee – dependent upon facility
- \$110.00 State of Florida Medical Quality Assurance Services Fee

**Estimated Total \$ 395.00 - \$410.00** (prices are subject to change)

*You may qualify for certification reimbursement of your exam cost(s) upon passing. Credential fees are estimated & subject to change.*

**Outstanding Student Recognition Information:**

A gold seal will be applied to a Program Completion Certificate or an Applied Technology Diploma if the student has earned a 3.5 GPA or higher in their Career and Technical Education (CTE) classes.

**Program Name: Practical Nursing**

**Course Number: PRN0098**

**Course Name: Practical Nursing Foundations 1 – 300 Hours (Terms 1 & 2) Occupational**

**Occupational Completion Point: A**

**Intended Outcomes:** (From FL DOE Curriculum Framework)

Students will be able to:

- Demonstrate knowledge of the healthcare delivery system and health occupations.
- Recognize and practice safety, security and emergency procedures.
- Demonstrate knowledge of blood borne diseases, including HIV/AIDS.
- Perform patient and personal care as it pertains to the practical nurse.
- Provide patient-centered care for the geriatric population.
- Assist with restorative (rehabilitative) activities.
- Demonstrate organizational functions, following the patient plan of care.
- Demonstrate computer literacy as related to nursing functions.
- Use appropriate verbal and written communications in the performance of nursing functions.
- Demonstrate legal and ethical responsibilities specific to the nursing profession.
- Apply the principles of infection control, utilizing nursing principles.
- Perform aseptic techniques.
- Describe the structure and function of the human body.
- Apply principles of nutrition as it relates to Practical Nursing Scope of Practice.

**Course Number: PRN0099**

**Course Name: Practical Nursing Foundations 2 – 300 Hours (Terms 2 & 3)**

**Occupational Completion Point: B**

**Intended Outcomes:** (From FL DOE Curriculum Framework)

Students will be able to:

- Describe human growth and development across the lifespan.
- Demonstrate the performance of nursing procedures (which can be accomplished through a combination of simulation, laboratory and clinical settings in accordance with F.S. 464.019).
- Demonstrate how to administer medication (which can be accomplished through a combination of simulation, laboratory and clinical settings in accordance with F.S.464.019).
- Demonstrate how to provide bio-psycho-social support (which can be accomplished through a combination of simulation, laboratory and clinical settings in accordance with F.S.464.019).
- Demonstrate healthy lifestyle responsibility specific to personal health maintenance.
- Implement education and resources for family wellness.
- Participate in Community Health Awareness Forums.

**Course Number: PRN0290**

**Course Name: Medical/Surgical Nursing 1 – 300 Hours (Terms 3 & 4)**

**Occupational Completion Point: B**

**Intended Outcomes:** (From FL DOE Curriculum Framework)

Students will be able to:

- Demonstrate how to care for the surgical patient with a Cardiovascular, Respiratory, Lymphatic, Musculoskeletal, and Endocrine or Integumentary disease/disorder in accordance with F.S.464.019.
- Demonstrate how to care for pre-operative and post-operative patients, utilizing nursing principles in accordance with F.S.464.019.

**Course Number: PRN0291**

**Course Name: Medical/Surgical Nursing 2 – 300 Hours (Terms 4 & 5)**

**Occupational Completion Point: B**

**Intended Outcomes:** (From FL DOE Curriculum Framework)

Students will be able to:

- Demonstrate how to care for the surgical patient with a Gastrointestinal, Neurological, Urinary, Reproductive, or Oncologic disease/disorder in accordance with F.S.464.019.

**Course Number: PRN0690**

**Course Name Comprehensive Nursing – 150 Hours (Term 5)**

**Occupational Completion Point: B**

**Intended Outcomes:** (From FL DOE Curriculum Framework)

Students will be able to:

- Demonstrate how to care for maternal/newborn patients, utilizing nursing in accordance with F.S.464.019.
- Demonstrate knowledge of SIDS/ SUIDS as it relates to the practical nursing role.
- Demonstrate how to care for pediatric patients, utilizing nursing principles in accordance with F.S.464.019.
- Develop transitional skills.
- Demonstrate employability skills specific to practical nursing.

Link for Florida Department of Education Curriculum for Health Science-License Practice

<https://www.fldoe.org/academics/career-adult-edu/career-tech-edu/curriculum-frameworks/2023-24-frameworks/health-science.stml>

Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)- <https://www.acenursing.org/>

Florida Board of Nursing (FL BON)- <https://floridasnursing.gov/>

Student Handbook [Student PN Student Handbook 2022-2023.pdf](#)