



**Atlantic Technical College**  
**Practical Nursing**  
**Program Syllabus**  
**Medical/Surgical Nursing 1**  
**Course 3**  
**2025 -2026**



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<b>Student Hours:</b>  Monday – Friday Class Hours: 0700 – 1345 Lunch: 1130 – 1200	<b>Program Name: Practical Nursing</b>		
	<b>OCPs</b>	<b>Course Names</b>	<b>Hours</b>
	B	PRN0290 Medical/Surgical Nursing 1	300

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

- Please refer to the Student Handbook for postsecondary students.  
<http://www.atlanticttechnicalcollege.edu/atc-student-handbook/>
- Please refer to the Broward County Practical Nursing Handbook for PN attendance policy.

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

- Linton, Adrienne D. (2023) 8<sup>th</sup> Edition  
Introduction to Medical-Surgical Nursing.  
Elsevier: St. Louis, Missouri
- Linton, Adrienne D. (2023) 8<sup>th</sup> Edition  
Introduction to Medical-Surgical Nursing Study  
Guide. Elsevier: St. Louis, Missouri
- Evolve on-line resources (Case Studies, Practice  
Tests, Simchart, Elsevier Adaptive Quizzing &  
HESI Tests)
- Clayton, Bruce D. (2022) 19<sup>th</sup> ed, Clayton's Basic  
Pharmacology for Nurses). Elsevier: St. Louis,  
Missouri
- Deglin, Judith H. & Vallerand, April H & Sanoski,  
Cynthia A. (2023) Davis Drug for Nurses (18th  
ed). Philadelphia, Pa. F. A. Davis

**Required Materials/Supplies:**

- Bandage Scissors
- Watch w/2<sup>nd</sup> Hand (non-metal- no broad face)
- Blood Pressure Cuff
- USB Drive/16GB
- Stethoscope
- Disposable Pen Light with gauge
- Student Medical Kit 5
- Box of 5X7 index Cards
- Computer headset
- Sharpie
- Pens, black and red
- Highlighters
- Pill cutter
- 3" clinical binder

*All required books and most materials/supplies can be purchased from the ATC bookstore.  
Stop by during operational hours for pricing and purchasing information.*

**Grading System:**

**Grading Criteria for Course 3: Theory and Clinical.**  
The student is required to pass **each theory course/component** with a 70% or higher score to progress to course 4.  
Grades are not rounded, only the whole number is counted (i.e. 69.9% is 69%, not 70%).

**Additional Program Specific Grading Information:**

Please see PN handbook posted in CANVAS course.

**HESI Fundamentals Version 11 End of course exam is administered at the end of this course.**

**Online Course Grading Policy:** Program is not offered online at Atlantic Technical College.

**View Your Grades:**

**Grades can be viewed online by following the directions below:**

1. Go to <https://browardfocus.com> (access FOCUS using Chrome, Firefox or Safari)
2. Student ID which is on your student schedule.
3. Passcode: Student's date of birth formatted as YYYYMMDD.

*Four digits for the year, two digits for the month and two digits for the day.*

**Classroom/Lab Rules:**

Please see classroom/clinical/lab rules posted in CANVAS course.

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

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

- \$200.00 PearsonVue Testing Fee
- \$85.00 - \$98.00 Live Scan (background) Fee – dependent upon facility
- \$110.00 State of Florida Medical Quality Assurance Services Fee

**Estimated Total \$400.00** *(prices are subject to change)*

*You may qualify for certification reimbursement of your exam cost(s) upon passing. Credential fees are 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:** PRN0290

**Course Name:** Medical/Surgical Nursing 1

**Occupational Completion Point:** B

- **Intended Outcomes:** (From FL DOE Curriculum Framework) Demonstrate how to care for the surgical patient with a Cardiovascular, Respiratory, Lymphatic, Musculoskeletal, Endocrine or Integumentary disease/disorder (which can be accomplished through a combination of simulation, laboratory and clinical settings in accordance with F.S.464.019)

Students will be able to:

- Identify signs and symptoms of disease/disorders of the body systems.
- Identify diagnostic tests used in the treatment of diseases/disorders of the body systems.
- Identify medications used in the treatment of diseases/disorders of the body systems.
- Identify nutritional needs of patients with diseases/disorders of the body systems.
- Identify the symptoms of acute/chronic psychological distress.
- Care for a patient with a:
  - Surgical/Lymphatic/Immune Disorders
  - Integumentary/Sensory/Musculoskeletal Disorders
  - Endocrine Disorder
  - Respiratory Disorder
  - Cardiovascular/Circulatory Disorders

### End of Program Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the Practical Nursing program, the graduate will be eligible for licensure as a licensed practical nurse that will:

1. Participate in the development and implementation of a comprehensive nursing plan utilizing the nursing process and critical thinking skills to make patient-centered decisions.
2. Demonstrate professional nursing care that incorporates sensitivity to culturally diverse clients across the lifespan.
3. Demonstrate the ability to collaborate effectively with other health care professionals utilizing technology, written documentation, verbal, and non-verbal communication.
4. Utilize assessment skills to collect client data using a standardized tool and identifies and reports deviations from normal.
5. Demonstrate the ability to provide quality care and the rationale for decisions that promote the health and safety of patients.
6. Use evidence-based practice to deliver optimal nursing care that reflects sound decision making and quality improvement consistent with the LPN Scope of Practice.
7. Practice within the values, framework, and legal parameters of the Licensed Practical Nurse defined by the Florida Board of Nursing.

### PRACTICAL NURSING PROGRAM OUTCOMES

1. Performance of licensure examination:
  - a. The PN program will achieve NCLEX – PN pass rates at 80 % or above.
2. Program completion:
  - b. The program will have at least 70% of its current students graduate within one from admission.
3. Job Placement:
  - c. Sixty percent or more of the students will successfully have placement within nine-twelve months after graduation.