

Atlantic Technical College Practical Nursing Program Syllabus Course 1 2025-2026



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Student Hours:	Program Name: Practical Nursing		
Monday – Friday	OCPs	Course Names	Hours
Class Hours: 0700 – 1345			
Lunch: 1130 – 1200	Α	PRN0098- Practical Nursing Foundations 1	300

Technical College Policy/Adult Student Attendance:

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

Required Book(s) and/or Online Access:

- American Heart Association CPR for Healthcare Providers (2020)
- Williams, Patricia (2026). Fundamental Concepts and Skills for Nursing (7th. Ed). Elsevier: St. Louis, Missouri
- Williams, Patricia (2026). Student Learning Guide for Fundamental Concepts and Skills for Nursing (7th. Ed). Elsevier: St. Louis, Missouri
- Evolve on-line resources (Case Studies, Practice Tests, Elsevier Adaptive Quizzing, SimChart & HESI Tests)
- Taber's Cyclopedic Medical Dictionary (24th Ed).
 Philadelphia: F.A. Davis Company (2021).
- Patton/Bell/Thompson/Williamson (2025), Structure
 & Function of the Human Body (17 th Ed.). Elsevier:
 St. Louis, Missouri
- Patton/Bell/Thompson/Williamson (2025), Student Study Guide for Structure & Function of the Human Body (17th Ed.) Elsevier: St. Louis, Missouri

Required Materials/Supplies:

- Bandage Scissors
- Watch w/2nd Hand(non-metal)
- Blood Pressure Cuff
- USB Drive/16GB
- Stethoscope
- CPR Valve
- Disposable Pen Light
- Digital Thermometer
- Student Medical Kit 5 piece
- 3-inch 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.

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Grading System:

Grading Criteria for Course 1: Theory and Clinical

The student is required to pass **each theory course/component** with a 70% or higher score to progress to course two. Grades are not rounded, only the whole number is counted (i.e. 69.9% is 69%, not 70%).

- Foundations of Nursing 1
- Nutrition
- Geriatrics
- Body Structure & Function

The student is required to pass course one clinical & theory to progress to the next course.

Additional Program Specific Grading Information:

Please see the PN handbook posted in your CANVAS 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 your CANVAS course.

Industry Certification & State Credential Exam Cost:

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

- \$200.00 Pearson Vue 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: PRN0098

Course Name: Practical Nursing Foundations 1

Occupational Completion Point: A

Intended Outcomes: (From FL DOE Curriculum Framework)

Students will be able to:

- 01.0 Demonstrate knowledge of the healthcare delivery system and health occupations.
- 02.0 Recognize and practice safety and security procedures.
- 03.0 Demonstrate knowledge of blood borne diseases, including HIV/AIDS.
- 04.0 Perform patient and personal care as it pertains to the practical nurse.
- 05.0 Provide patient-centered care for the geriatric population.
- 06.0 Assist with restorative (rehabilitative) activities
- 07.0 Demonstrate organizational functions, following the patient plan of care.
- 08.0 Demonstrate computer literacy as related to nursing functions.
- 09.0 Use appropriate verbal and written communications in the performance of nursing functions.
- 10.0 Demonstrate legal and ethical responsibilities specific to the nursing profession.

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- 11.0 Apply the principles of infection control, utilizing nursing principles.
- 12.0 Perform aseptic techniques.
- 13.0 Describe the structure and function of the human body.
- 14.0 Apply principles of nutrition as it relates to Practical Nursing Scope of Practice.

END OF PROGRAM STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

- 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 as defined by the Florida Nurse Practice Act.

Practical Nursing Program Outcome

- 1. Performance of licensure examination
 - a. The PN program will achieve NCLEX -PN pass rates 80% or above.
- 2. Program completion
 - b. The PN program will have at least 70% of its current students graduate within one year from admission to the end of the program.
- 3. Job Placement
 - c. Sixty percent or more of the students will have successful placement within nine-twelve months after graduation. Job placement as defined by the Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (FETPIP) as successful placement of students as "either employed in field, continuing education or in the military service."



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