

Practical Nursing (PN21)

Certificate eMap

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OCCUPATIONAL CURRICULUM (49 Credit Hours)

Please note: The occupational curriculum is to be taken only after being officially accepted into the Practical Nursing program. PN classes are selected in the Fall and Spring semester each year. Please remember that it is the student's responsibility to stay in contact with their assigned Practical Nursing program advisor to make sure they are on track.

Course		Hours	Completed
PNSG 1600	Introduction to Pharmacology and Clinical Calculations	3	☐
PNSG 1065	Fundamentals	6	☐
PNSG 1630	Mental Health Nursing	4	☐
PNSG 1610	Adult Health Nursing I	6	☐
PNSG 1615	Adult Health Nursing II	6	☐
PNSG 1635	Maternal Nursing	4	☐
PNSG 1640	Pediatric Nursing	3	☐
PNSG 1620	Adult Health Nursing III	6	☐
PNSG 1625	Adult Health Nursing IV	6	☐
PNSG 1645	Practical Nursing Capstone	5	☐

Practical Nursing Certificate Admission Notes:

Admission Requirements

All applicants to the PN program must meet the following requirements:

- 1) Be 18 or more years of age.
- 2) Meet all GNTC admission requirements.
- 3) Contact Brittany Jacobs, bjacobs@gntc.edu, to be assigned a PN program advisor.
- 4) Submit a PN Eligibility Request Form: <https://www.gntc.edu/nursing-eligibility/>
- 5) Successfully pass the HESI Pre-Admission Exam.
- 6) Mandatory Program Orientation
- 6) Students will be ranked based on the selection criteria above and the cohort selected.

Class Acceptance

The Practical Nursing program is a competitive admission program. PN classes are accepted twice a year, each spring and each fall. Class acceptance is based on a point* system consisting of the HESI pre-admission exam score. Students will be ranked based on the selection criteria above and the cohort selected.

Once accepted into the program it will take a student one year to complete.

*An additional 2 points will be added to the admission score for students who hold a currently valid CNA license.

Deadlines Dates:

If you wish to be considered for the Spring PN class that begins in January you must have the HESI pre-admission exam by the last day of the summer semester each year.

If you wish to be considered for the Fall PN class that begins in August you must have completed the HESI pre-admission exam by the last day of the spring semester each year.

Practical Nursing Program HESI Pre-Admission Exam:

More information on the HESI pre-admission exam, including study information, score requirements, and testing options, should be obtained from Brittany Jacobs bjacobs@gntc.edu.

Program Final Exit Point:

Graduates from the Practical Nursing program are eligible to take the NCLEX-PN Exam for Georgia State Board to become a licensed practical nurse (LPN).

Graduation Requirements:

All courses in the nursing curriculum must be completed in order to graduate. Only students who have completed required course work and are eligible to receive their certificate are eligible to sit for the NCLEX-PN.

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FALL PROGRAM ENTRY SCHEDULE

1 st set of suggested courses (Fall)			
Course		Hours	Completed
PNSG 1600	Introduction to Pharmacology and Clinical Calculations	3	☐
PNSG 1605	Nursing Fundamentals	6	☐
PNSG 1610	Adult Health Nursing I	6	☐
PNSG 1630	Mental Health Nursing	4	☐
2 nd set of suggested courses (Spring)			
Course		Hours	Completed
PNSG 1615	Adult Health Nursing II	6	☐
PNSG 1635	Maternal Nursing	4	☐
PNSG 1620	Adult Health Nursing III	6	☐
PNSG 1640	Pediatric Nursing	3	☐
3 rd set of suggested courses (Summer)			
Course		Hours	Completed
PNSG 1625	Adult Health Nursing IV	6	☐
PNSG 1645	Practical Nursing Capstone	5	☐

Total Credit Hours: 49 Minimum Credit Hours for Graduation

SPRING PROGRAM ENTRY SCHEDULE

1 st set of suggested courses (Spring)			
Course		Hours	Completed
PNSG 1600	Introduction to Pharmacology and Clinical Calculations	3	☐
PNSG 1605	Nursing Fundamentals	6	☐
PNSG 1610	Adult Health Nursing I	6	☐
PNSG 1630	Mental Health Nursing	4	☐
2 nd set of suggested courses (Summer)			
Course		Hours	Completed
PNSG 1615	Adult Health Nursing II	6	☐
PNSG 1635	Maternal Nursing	4	☐
3 rd set of suggested courses (Fall)			
Course		Hours	Completed
PNSG 1620	Adult Health Nursing III	6	☐
PNSG 1640	Pediatric Nursing	3	☐
PNSG 1625	Adult Health Nursing IV	6	☐
PNSG 1645	Practical Nursing Capstone	5	☐

Note: All required courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or better in order to graduate from this program.

Note: Please see program catalog page for other retention and readmission policies.

Additional information for the Practical Nursing Diploma program and program requirements can be found at [GNTC 2026-2027 Catalog](#).