

# Practical Nursing

Holland code family: Helpers

## 2020 Year

### About the Program

Rogue Community College offers a limited-entry, three-term (33 week) program leading to a certificate in Practical Nursing (PN), which meets the educational requirements for the national exam for PN licensure (NCLEX-PN). The program is located at the Table Rock Campus (TRC). The Practical Nursing program is approved by the Oregon State Board of Nursing (OSBN), 17938 SW Upper Boones Ferry Rd., Portland, OR, 971-673-0685, [www.oregon.gov/OSBN](http://www.oregon.gov/OSBN).

### Program Learning Outcomes

The curriculum in RCC courses is derived from a set of identified learning outcomes that are relevant to the discipline. Program learning outcomes for the Practical Nursing Certificate program are:

Demonstrate a personal commitment to service and the profession of nursing

Demonstrate ethical and legal behavior in nursing practice.

Demonstrate clinical judgment using knowledge and problem solving skills when contributing to and implementing the plan of care.

Provide culturally sensitive care across the lifespan.

Apply established principles of health promotion and preventive health care.

Use technological resources effectively and appropriately.

Provide clinically competent care through use of established standards and practice guidelines.

Use clear and effective therapeutic communication with clients, families, members of the healthcare team, and others.

Apply concepts of resource utilization to practice cost-effective nursing care.

Function as a member of the health care team.

Manage and coordinate care within organizational and regulatory constraints.

### Entry Requirements

Students are required to complete the Placement Process to determine skill level and readiness in math, reading, and writing. As part of their training, students must begin with the courses within their skill level as determined through the Placement Process. In addition, students may also be required to enroll in classes that would increase their employability and success.

Program admission occurs once per year in winter term. The deadline for submitting program application material and completing the required program pre-admission test and other requirements is September 8, 2019, for January 2020 admission. The application deadline may be extended if there are an insufficient number of qualified applicants (watch program website for notification).

To be eligible, prerequisite classes must have been completed with a grade of "C" or better prior to the application deadline. For courses graded only as pass/no pass, a pass that is equal to a "C" is required. If a course is repeated, only the most recent grade will be considered for the selection process. Applicants must have a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA (for all courses completed at RCC, or at college where anatomy and physiology completed if applicant is new to RCC) and be in good standing (not on academic warning or probation) at RCC to be eligible.

If an applicant has taken an equivalent course elsewhere which has a course number, title, or credit hour different from the RCC course, she or he must contact Enrollment Services for a transfer credit evaluation as far in advance of the application deadline as possible.

Accepted students must attend mandatory program orientations the last two Friday mornings of fall term prior to the beginning of Practical Nursing courses in winter term. A notice of dates, times, and place of the orientations will be emailed to accepted students. Accepted applicants (notification occurs by mid-November) must have proof of a valid unencumbered OSBN CNA certification current through November 1, 2019, and have completed required preparatory courses with a "C" or better by the end of fall term to retain acceptance and enter practical nursing courses in winter term.

Accepted students must pass a criminal history background check and urine drug screen (with negative results) to retain acceptance and enter the program in January. Information regarding both can be found on the program website and will be provided to students before winter practical nursing classes begin.

Since applicants are or will be CNAs, failed criminal history checks or urine drug screens will be reported to the OSBN. Accepted students must successfully complete a CPR Health Care Provider course (adult/infant/child, one and two person, with AED; online courses are not accepted) within one year prior to the September application deadline (and must remain current throughout program). The CPR course must comply with the American Heart Association standards.



CNA work experience is recommended before application but not required. Practical nursing faculty will evaluate the CNA skills of all students admitted to PN101. Students may be required to enroll in classes that would increase their employability and success, e.g., NUR100 if remediation work is required. More information is available by clicking on "enter here" on the program website at [www.roguecc.edu/nursing/practicalnursing](http://www.roguecc.edu/nursing/practicalnursing).

Applicants are encouraged to attend one program information session (held every month at TRC and RWC). See website for details. Internet and email access is an integral part of all practical nursing courses and access to a computer at home or at the college will be required on a daily basis.

### Graduation Requirements

These requirements apply only to students admitted to the Practical Nursing Certificate program courses in January 2020. Students contemplating admission in a later year may have different requirements and must obtain the graduation guide for that year. Successful completion means that students must complete all courses in this program with a grade of "C" or better to continue in and complete the program and receive a certificate. Accepted PN students will forfeit their acceptance unless a complete anatomy and physiology sequence and all other required preparatory courses have been successfully completed, and the criminal history background check and urine drug screen have been passed prior to the start of PN101 in January.

The OSBN screens all applicants for licensure and may deny licensure to applicants with a criminal offense or with a major physical or mental condition that could affect their ability to practice nursing safely. Licensure applicants with a history of chemical dependence may be required to have an assessment by a drug and alcohol counselor. Contact the OSBN with any questions.

Clinical (inclusive of skills lab) courses are graded on a pass/no pass basis only. A grade of "P" for these courses indicates a student earned the equivalent of a "C" or better grade.

### Prerequisites

Course No.	Course Title	Credits
BI121	Elementary Anatomy and Physiology I with lab (within last seven years or BI231 and BI232 if both completed with labs within last seven years) <sup>1</sup>	4
MTH65	Fundamentals of Algebra II or higher level math <sup>2</sup>	4
WR115	Introduction to Expository Writing (or designated placement test score or completion of WR121)	0-3
CNA-1	OSBN-approved CNA-1 course with completion certificate; course proof waived for students with copy of current OSBN CNA-1 certification attached to application <sup>3</sup>	-

**TOTAL PREREQUISITE CREDITS**

**8-11**

### Required Preparatory Courses

Course No.	Course Title	Credits
BI122	Elementary Anatomy and Physiology II with lab or BI233 Human Anatomy and Physiology III within last seven years if student completed BI231 and BI232 as prerequisites <sup>1</sup>	4

—	CPR Health Care Provider course (HE261 or other AHA or ARC adult/infant/child, one- and two-person course with AED) completed later than September one year before application deadline	0-1
CS/CIS	Approved 3-4 credit Computer Science or Computer Information Science class, CS/CIS120 or above, or documented computer proficiency <sup>4</sup>	0-4
WR121	English Composition <sup>5</sup>	<u>4</u>
<b>TOTAL PREPARATORY CREDITS</b>		<b>8-13</b>

### Required Courses

Course No.	Course Title	Credits
<b>Winter (First) Term</b>		
PN101	Practical Nursing I	8
PN101C	Practical Nursing I Clinical	3
PSY101	Psychology of Human Relations or BT101 Human Relations in Organizations	<u>3</u>
		14

### Spring (Second) Term

PN102	Practical Nursing II	8
PN102C	Practical Nursing II Clinical	4
—	Approved program elective	<u>0-3</u>
		12-15

### Summer (Third) Term

PN103	Practical Nursing III	8
PN103C	Practical Nursing III Clinical	4
PN104C	Practical Nursing Leadership Clinical (post-summer session) <sup>6</sup>	<u>2</u>
		14

**TOTAL POST-PREREQ PROGRAM CREDITS** **48-56**

### Approved Program Electives

Course No.	Course Title	Credits
AH100	Medical Terminology: Introduction	3
CG100	College Success and Survival	2
EMS165	Introduction to Pharmacology for Health Occupations	
HE/PE	Health or Physical Education courses	1-3
LIB127	Introduction to Academic Research	1
NUR100	Scope of Practice and Safety Considerations (by permission only for students accepted for re-entry to the program)	1
RD115	Speedreading for College	3
RD120	Critical Reading and Thinking	3
WR110	Understanding English Grammar	2

<sup>1</sup> Virtual labs are not accepted. Remote or distance labs not conducted in the physical presence of an instructor are also not accepted for lab science courses.

<sup>2</sup> Transcribed course required for graduation.

<sup>3</sup> Accepted students will be required to provide the program secretary with proof of current unencumbered CNA certification in Oregon valid through at least November 1 in the year of application in order to retain acceptance and be admitted to the first practical nursing course the following winter term.

<sup>4</sup> Successful completion of CS120 or equivalent course or passing the RCC computer proficiency exam within the last 10 years fulfills this requirement. Contact a computer science adviser to help determine placement.

<sup>5</sup> WR121, 3 credits, completed before summer of 2009 is also acceptable.

<sup>6</sup> Students must register for PN104C (post-summer session) at the same time they register for PN103 and PN103C. PN103, 103C and 104C fall in a new academic/financial aid year.

For more information regarding the program, selection process, and points contact the Practical Nursing program:

Grants Pass or White City . . . . . 541-956-7308  
 Toll free in Oregon . . . . . 800-411-6508, Ext. 7308  
 Email . . . . . practicalnursing@roguecc.edu  
 Web address . . . . . www.roguecc.edu/nursing/practicalnursing  
 TTY . . . . . Oregon Telecom Relay Service, 711

This advising guide is for advising purposes only. Please see current college catalog for additional information on specific college policies and graduation requirements.

RCC is an open institution and does not discriminate. For RCC's non-discrimination policy and a full list of regulatory specific contact persons visit the following webpage: [www.roguecc.edu/nondiscrimination](http://www.roguecc.edu/nondiscrimination).

