Traditional (Day)
Practical Nurse

AAS-GOTS Degree or *Diploma

Somerset Community College
Program Overview

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PROGRAM DETAILS

The Practical Nursing program prepares individuals to practice within the legal scope of practical nursing under the supervision of a registered nurse or physician. Graduates are prepared to take the NCLEX-PN licensing examination and practice as a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) in entry level staff positions.

- *Eighteen month program*
- *May lead to Associate Degree (AAS) with additional general education requirements.*
- *Practical Nursing Coursework*
  - *Theory/Skills presented in lecture/lab format*
  - *Clinical Component: Community Agencies providing nursing services*
- *Program admits every fourth semester*
- *Selective Admissions/Limited Enrollment*

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Licensed Practical Nurses are a vital part of the health care team and are employed in a variety of health care settings. LPN's provide care for clients of all ages. In addition to providing routine bedside care, they evaluate client needs, plan, and implement quality care as well as supervise the care provided by Nursing Assistants. In offices and clinics, they may also make appointments, keep records, and perform other clinical duties. LPN's who work in private homes may provide complex care and teach family members simple nursing tasks.

PRACTICAL NURSING CREDENTIALS:

*DIPLOMA:
- Practical Nursing (57 credit hours)

ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE:
In General Occupational/Technical Studies
AAS-GOTS (66 credit hours)

ADMISSION PROCESS:

The following materials must be on file in the PN Program Coordinator's office by March 1st for August admission and by October 1st for January admission:

- Application for admission to SCC
- Official high school transcript indicating that the applicant has or will complete a high school course of study or a passing GED official score report
- Transcripts of post-secondary work completed at other institutions
- Results of ACT or COMPASS or equivalent on file in the Admissions Office
- A written letter of intent sent to the PN Program Coordinator. The letter should include the specific PN program, campus, and program year in which the applicant wishes to be considered for admission.
- A Pre-Admission Conference with the PN Program Coordinator or his/her designee is required prior to an applicant's consideration by the Practical Nursing Admissions Committee. YOU MUST ATTEND ONE CONFERENCE during each admission period (unless waived by the Practical Nursing Coordinator). Attending a conference at another Community College will not be acceptable.
- Proof of active status on the Medicaid Nurse Aide Registry or successful completion of an equivalent nursing course.

See reverse for ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

VISIT US ON THE WEB:

For pre-conference dates, LPN packets, and other program information, visit us on the web at somerset.kctcs.edu. Practical Nursing can be found within Academics and Programs of Study.

Successful students can earn a Practical Nursing *Diploma or an Associate of Applied Science Degree in General Occupational/ Technical Studies

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