Effective: Fall 2025 Issued 11/16/23



Certificate C

45-59 credit hours

Practical Nurse

LPN Credential

Required Courses within Program

Support Courses*7 credits:Human Anatomy & Physiologymin 4 creditsHuman Growth & Development3 credits

Course list sequence has no implication on course scheduling by colleges.

Institutions may add additional competencies based on local demand.

Competencies identified within the Support Courses represent opportunities for articulation with K-12.

*Institutions may utilize existing like course titles for Support Courses that adhere to the agreed upon course lengths.

Notes

Specifics pertaining to Practical Nurse program:

- Colleges may choose to require an active Certified Nurse Aide credential for entrance into PN programs.
- Program educational standards and outcomes are established by the Kansas State Board of Nursing.
- 3. Practical Nurses must be licensed to practice and are regulated by the Kansas State Board of Nursing.
- 4. Successful program completers will be eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX), the passing of which culminates in the Licensed Practical Nurse

LPN Program Outcomes:

Upon completion of the Practical Nursing program, the graduate will demonstrate the following in a structured setting:

- 1. Relationship-Centered Care: Provide nursing care that is relationship-centered, caring, culturally sensitive and based on the physiological, psychosocial, and spiritual needs of clients with commonly occurring health alterations that have predictable outcomes.
- 2. Teamwork and Collaboration: Collaborate with the client and members of the interprofessional health care team to promote continuity of client care and shared decision-making.
- 3. Evidence-Based Practice: Use current evidence as a basis for nursing practice.
- 4. Informatics: Use information and client care technology to support the delivery of safe, quality client care.
- 5. Quality Improvement: Participate in quality improvement activities assessing their effect on client outcomes.
- 6. Safety: Provide an environment that is safe and reduces risk of harm for clients, self, and others.
- 7. Professionalism: Demonstrate accountability for client care that incorporates legal and ethical principles, regulatory guidelines, and standards of nursing practice.
- 8. Leadership: Use leadership skills that support the provision and coordination of client care.