

PN-IFCC Meeting

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Current Curriculum

General Education/Occupational Course Requirements						
Course	Credit Hours	Contact Hours	Lecture	Regular Lab	Other Lab	Other Lab Definition
ENGL Req	3	45	2250	-	-	-
MATH Req	3	45	2250	-	-	-
PSYC Req	3	45	2250	-	-	-
ALHS 1011	5	75	3750	-	-	-
ALHS 1060 OR ALHS 1090	2	30	1500	-	-	-
Gen Ed/ Occ Total	16	240 hours - Lecture				
Practical Nursing Program Course Requirements						
Course	Credit Hours	Contact Hours	Lecture	Regular Lab	Other Lab	Other Lab Definition
PNSG 2010	2	60	750	-	2250	Practicum
PNSG 2030	6	165	1150	1500	4500	Internship
PNSG 2035	2	90	-	-	4500	Clinical
PNSG 2110	4	75	2250	1500	-	-
PNSG 2210	2	90	-	-	4500	Clinical
PNSG 2120	4	75	2250	1500	-	-
PNSG 2320	2	90	-	-	4500	Clinical
PNSG 2230	4	75	2250	1500	-	-
PNSG 2330	2	90	-	-	4500	Clinical
PNSG 2240	4	75	2250	1500	-	-
PNSG 2340	2	90	-	-	4500	Clinical
PNSG 2250	3	45	2250	-	-	-
PNSG 2255	1	45	-	-	2250	Clinical
PNSG 2410	1	15	750	-	-	-
PNSG 2415	2	90	-	-	4500	Clinical
LPN Program Total	41	685 hours - Lecture/Lab 487.5 hours (/60) - Clinical				
Overall Total	57	825 hours - Lecture/Lab 487.5 hours - Clinical				

New Proposed TCSG PN 21- Practical Nursing (1/2024)

Course	Credit Hours	Contact Hours TCSG	Contact Hours GBON	Lecture	Regular Lab	Clinical
PNSG 2010 (Pharmacology)	3	85	85	250	4000	-
PNSG 2030 (Fundamentals)	6	156	141	1200	2100	4500
PNSG 2210 (Adult Health Nursing I)	6	157.5	145	1125	3000	3750
PNSG 2220 (Adult Health Nursing II)	6	157.5	145	1125	3000	3750
PNSG 2230 (Adult Health Nursing III)	6	157.5	145	1125	3000	3750
PNSG 2240 (Adult Health Nursing IV)	6	157.5	145	1125	3000	3750
PNSG 2330 (Mental Health Nursing)	4	105	100	750	3000	1500
PNSG 2130 (Maternal Nursing)	4	90	80	1500	-	3000
PNSG 2120 (Pediatric Nursing)	3	75	70	750	1500	1500
PNSG 2410 (Practical Nursing Capstone)	5	126	114	1200	1500	3600
Grand Totals	49	1,267	1,170	10,150	24,100	29,100

GBON Rule 410-9-.06(5)(a)

Minimum Curriculum Content. *An approved program of instruction or its equivalent shall contain no less than six hundred eighty-five (685) clock hours of theoretical nursing and general education content, and no less than four hundred eighty-five (485) clock hours of planned clinical practice for each student.* Said program shall include the following subjects:

(a) Theoretical Content:

1. Required Content - The curriculum must include, but is not limited to, the following theoretical content areas and must contain a total of no less than six hundred eighty-five (685) clock hours.

- (i) Anatomy and Physiology
- (ii) Basic Microbiology
- (iii) Medical Terminology
- (iv) Basic Nutrition
- (v) Basic Pharmacology
- (vi) Medication Administration
- (vii) Principles of IV Therapy
- (viii) Legal and Ethical Healthcare Issues
- (ix) Professional and Customer Relationships
- (x) The Nursing Process and Critical Thinking Skills
- (xi) Physical Assessment Techniques
- (xii) Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation
- (xiii) Principles and Skills of Nursing Practice
- (xiv) Basic Emergency Care
- (xv) Geriatric Nursing Care
- (xvi) End of Life Nursing Care
- (xvii) Medical Surgical Nursing Care
- (xviii) Obstetrical Nursing Care
- (xix) Pediatric Nursing Care
- (xx) Mental Health and Illness Nursing Care
- (xxi) Community Health Nursing Care and Health Care Delivery Systems
- (xxii) Leadership and Management Skills
- (xxiii) English
- (xxiv) Math
- (xxv) Psychology
- (xxvi) Sociology
- (xxvii) Chemistry
- (xxviii) Computer Literacy
- (xxix) National Practical Nursing Licensure Examination Preparation

Theoretical Content

GBON Rule 410-9-.06(5)(b)

Clinical Content

(b) Required Clinical Experience: All of the following clinical experience areas must be provided in the curriculum:

1. Basic Emergency Care
2. Professional and Customer Relations
3. Physical Assessment Techniques for All Body Systems
4. Skills and Principles of Nursing Practice
5. Medication Administration
6. Intravenous Therapy Techniques
7. Health Maintenance and Prevention of Illness and Injury
8. Documentation of Nursing Care
9. Nursing Care of Aging Clients
10. Nursing Care of the Terminally Ill
11. Medical Surgical Nursing Care
12. Obstetrical Nursing Care
13. Pediatric Nursing Care
14. Mental Health and Illness Nursing Care
15. Community Health Nursing Care
16. Nursing Leadership and Management.

Admissions

- **Current students preparing for the Fall semester whom you want to be in a Teachout for PN12 must be accepted by the college by **July 1, 2024**. If not coded PN 12 by the July 1, 2024 deadline will have to be taught under the new PN 21.**
- Current ALHS instructors can now be utilized in PN programs or Nurse Aide Programs if meeting the criteria for employment in those areas.
- **Each college has to determine its selection criteria (working with the Pell regulator to provide some samples)**
- GBON Practical Nursing rules do not currently specify faculty-to-student ratios in the classroom
 - Clinical ratios must still be observed (1:10 as allowed by clinical sites)

Proposed Program Changes

- Embedded certificate within a degree-level program, which is currently being developed
- Allows more students to stay full-time for financial aid
- Still puts more emphasis on weaker NCLEX testing areas
- More time actually in program while meeting GBON requirements
- Students can finish school six months to one year earlier than current diploma- improves workforce development
- Curriculum must be updated beginning Fall 2024
 - If student is enrolled or accepted prior to July 1st, they can be grandfathered in under the current PN curriculum
 - Must teach out existing cohorts and submit plan to GBON
- ACEN letter notifying of the non-substantive changes that are occurring and why – since not over 20%.

Pharmacology

- Combines lecture and clinical
- 85 contact hours
 - Hours increased to fulfill GBON math requirements
- Focused on drug calculations and medication classes
- Medications covered in Adult Health, Maternal, Pediatrics, and Mental Health courses.
- Hands-on skill checks

Fundamentals

- Combines lecture and clinical
- 156 contact hours
- 75 clinical hours
- Hands-on skill checks remain in Fundamentals, but are removed from new Adult Health courses, ie Wound Care
- Medical Terminology embedded through program

Adult Health

- Combines lecture and clinical
 - Only Adult Health covered, so Med-Surg renamed
 - Reproductive, Pediatric, and Mental Health content removed
 - Medical Terminology embedded for all four courses
 - Anatomy embedded in all four courses. (ATI/HESI)
 - Aligned with NCLEX-PN Test Plan
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- Adult Health I- 157.5 contact hours, 62.5 clinical hours
 - Adult Health II- 157.5 lecture/lab, 62.5 clinical hours
 - Adult Health III- 157.5 lecture/lab, 62.5 clinical hours
 - Adult Health IV- 157.5 lecture/lab, 62.5 clinical hours

Mental Health

- Mental health is the lowest performing subject on NCLEX according to NCSBN
- Combines lecture and clinical
- 105 lecture/lab and 25 clinical hours
- Psychology embedded in this course
- Medical Terminology embedded in course

Maternal Nursing

- Combines lecture and clinical
- 90 contact hours and 50 Clinical hours
- Maternal/ newborn topic is one of the lowest performing areas on NCLEX according to NCSBN
- Reproductive content removed from Med-Surg Standards and placed into Maternal Nursing
- Medical Terminology embedded in course.
- **Simulation can be used for Pediatric /Maternity** -Practical nursing education programs may substitute clinical simulation for not more than 75% of the clinical clock hours required in the study of obstetrics and pediatrics only.

Pediatrics

- Combines lecture and clinical
- 75 contact hours and 25 clinical hours
- Pediatrics is one of the lowest performing areas on NCLEX according to NCSBN
- Pediatric content removed from Med-Surg Standards and placed into Pediatric Nursing course
- Medical Terminology embedded in course.
- **Simulation can be used for Pediatric /Maternity** -Practical nursing education programs may substitute clinical simulation for not more than 75% of the clinical clock hours required in the study of obstetrics and pediatrics only.

Practical Nursing Capstone

- Combines lecture and clinical (previously Leadership)
- 126 contact hours and 60 Clinical hours
- English content already in course. (paper/project)
 - Recommend students writing a paper and/or completing a presentation to fulfill GBON English requirement
 - One suggestion- Have students present a Quality Improvement Project for one of their clinical sites

Questions?

1. These changes are being brought on by changes to Federal Aid that limit the Practical Nursing program to 685 didactic hours and 485 clinical hours
2. Changes take effect July 1, 2024
3. Made into a certificate program
 - Increases workforce development because students finish certificate sooner
4. GBON Practical Nursing rules do not currently specify faculty-to-student ratios in the classroom

Summer Example A- most recommended

Course
Sequence-
Full time

Semester	Course Sequence
Semester 1 Summer	<p>PNSG 2010- Pharmacology PNSG 2030- Fundamentals PNSG 2330- Mental Health Nursing*</p> <p>Hours: 13 credits/ 346 didactic contact hours/ 100 clinical contact hours</p>
Semester 2 Fall	<p>Term A PNSG 2210- Adult Health Nursing I PNSG 2130- Maternal Nursing*</p> <p>Term B PNSG 2220- Adult Health Nursing II PNSG 2120- Pediatric Nursing*</p> <p>Hours: 19 credits/ 480 didactic contact hours/ 200 clinical contact hours</p>
Semester 3 Spring	<p>Term A PNSG 2230- Adult Health Nursing III</p> <p>Term B PNSG 2240- Adult Health Nursing IV PNSG 2410- Practical Nursing Capstone*</p> <p>Hours: 17 credits/ 441 didactic contact hours/ 185 clinical contact hours</p> <p><i>*consider preceptorship for some clinical</i></p>

Summer Example B

Course
Sequence-
Full time

Semester	Course Sequence
Semester 1 Summer	PNSG 2010- Pharmacology PNSG 2030- Fundamentals Hours: 9 credits/ 241 didactic contact hours/ 75 clinical contact hours
Semester 2 Fall	Term A PNSG 2210- Adult Health Nursing I PNSG 2330- Mental Health Nursing* Term B PNSG 2220- Adult Health Nursing II PNSG 2130- Maternal Nursing* Hours: 20 credits/ 510 didactic contact hours/ 200 clinical contact hours
Semester 3 Spring	Term A PNSG 2230- Adult Health Nursing III PNSG 2120- Pediatric Nursing* Term B PNSG 2240- Adult Health Nursing IV PNSG 2410- Practical Nursing Capstone* Hours: 20 credits/ 516 didactic contact hours/ 210 clinical contact hours <i>*consider preceptorship for some clinical</i>

Spring Example A- most recommended

Course Sequence- Full Time

Semester	Course Sequence
Semester 1 Spring	<p>Term A</p> <p>PNSG 2010- Pharmacology PNSG 2030- Fundamentals</p> <p>Term B</p> <p>PNSG 2210- Adult Health Nursing I Hours: 15 credits/ 398.5 didactic contact hours/ 137.5 clinical contact hours</p>
Semester 2 Summer	<p>PNSG 2220- Adult Health Nursing II PNSG 2130- Maternal Nursing* PNSG 2330- Mental Health Nursing*</p> <p>Hours: 14 credits/ 352.5 didactic contact hours/ 137.5 clinical contact hours</p>
Semester 3 Fall	<p>Term A</p> <p>PNSG 2230- Adult Health Nursing III PNSG 2120- Pediatric Nursing*</p> <p>Term B</p> <p>PNSG 2240- Adult Health Nursing IV PNSG 2410- Practical Nursing Capstone*</p> <p>Hours: 20 credits/ 516 didactic contact hours/ 210 clinical contact hours</p> <p><i>*consider preceptorship for some clinical</i></p>

Spring Example B

Course Sequence- Full Time

Semester	Course Sequence
Semester 1 Spring	<p>Term A PNSG 2010- Pharmacology PNSG 2030- Fundamentals</p> <p>Term B PNSG 2210- Adult Health Nursing I PNSG 2130- Maternal Nursing*</p> <p>Hours: 19 credits/ 488.5 didactic contact hours/ 139 clinical contact hours</p>
Semester 2 Summer	<p>PNSG 2220- Adult Health Nursing II PNSG 2330- Mental Health Nursing* PNSG 2120- Pediatric Nursing*</p> <p>Hours: 13 credits/ 337.5 didactic contact hours/ 112.5 clinical contact hours</p>
Semester 3 Fall	<p>Term A PNSG 2230- Adult Health Nursing III</p> <p>Term B PNSG 2240- Adult Health Nursing IV PNSG 2410- Practical Nursing Capstone*</p> <p>Hours: 17 credits/ 441 didactic contact hours/ 185 clinical contact hours</p> <p>*consider preceptorship for some clinical</p>

Spring Example C

Course Sequence- Full Time

Semester	Course Sequence
Semester 1 Spring	<p>Term A PNSG 2010- Pharmacology PNSG 2030- Fundamentals</p> <p>Term B PNSG 2210- Adult Health Nursing I PNSG 2330- Mental Health Nursing*</p> <p>Hours: 19 credits/ 503.5 didactic contact hours/ 162.5 clinical contact hours</p>
Semester 2 Summer	<p>PNSG 2220- Adult Health Nursing II PNSG 2130- Maternal Nursing*</p> <p>Hours: 10 credits/ 247.5 didactic contact hours/ 112.5 clinical contact hours</p>
Semester 3 Fall	<p>Term A PNSG 2230- Adult Health Nursing III PNSG 2120- Pediatric Nursing*</p> <p>Term B PNSG 2240- Adult Health Nursing IV PNSG 2410- Practical Nursing Capstone*</p> <p>Hours: 20 credits/ 516 didactic contact hours/ 210 clinical contact hours</p> <p><i>*consider preceptorship for some clinical</i></p>

Fall Example A- most recommended

Course
Sequence-
Full time

Semester	Course Sequence
Semester 1 Fall	<p>Term A</p> <p>PNSG 2010- Pharmacology PNSG 2030- Fundamentals</p> <p>Term B</p> <p>PNSG 2210- Adult Health Nursing I Hours: 15 credits/ 398.5 didactic contact hours/ 137.5 clinical contact hours</p>
Semester 2 Spring	<p>Term A</p> <p>PNSG 2220- Adult Health Nursing II PNSG 2130- Maternal Nursing*</p> <p>Term B</p> <p>PNSG 2230- Adult Health Nursing III PNSG 2120- Pediatric Nursing*</p> <p>Hours: 19 credits/ 480 didactic contact hours/ 200 clinical contact hours</p>
Semester 3 Summer	<p>PNSG 2240- Adult Health Nursing IV PNSG 2330- Mental Health Nursing* PNSG 2410- Practical Nursing Capstone*</p> <p>Hours: 15 credits/ 388.5 didactic contact hours/ 147.5 clinical contact hours</p> <p><i>*consider preceptorship for some clinical</i></p>

Fall Example B

Course
Sequence-
Full time

Semester	Course Sequence
Semester 1 Fall	<p>Term A</p> <p>PNSG 2010- Pharmacology PNSG 2030- Fundamentals</p> <p>Term B</p> <p>PNSG 2210- Adult Health Nursing I Hours: 15 credits/ 398.5 didactic contact hours/ 137.5 clinical contact hours</p>
Semester 2 Spring	<p>Term A</p> <p>PNSG 2220- Adult Health Nursing II PNSG 2330- Mental Health Nursing*</p> <p>Term B</p> <p>PNSG 2230- Adult Health Nursing III PNSG 2130- Maternal Nursing*</p> <p>Hours: 20 credits/ 510 didactic contact hours/ 200 clinical contact hours</p>
Semester 3 Summer	<p>PNSG 2240- Adult Health Nursing IV PNSG 2120- Pediatric Nursing*</p> <p>PNSG 2410- Practical Nursing Capstone*</p> <p>Hours: 14 credits/ 358.5 didactic contact hours/ 147.5 clinical contact hours</p> <p><i>*consider preceptorship for some clinical</i></p>

Fall Example C

Course
Sequence-
Full time

Semester	Course Sequence
Semester 1 Fall	<p>Term A</p> <p>PNSG 2010- Pharmacology PNSG 2030- Fundamentals</p> <p>Term B</p> <p>PNSG 2210- Adult Health Nursing I PNSG 2330- Mental Health Nursing*</p> <p>Hours: 19 credits/ 503.5 didactic contact hours/ 162.5 clinical contact hours</p>
Semester 2 Spring	<p>Term A</p> <p>PNSG 2220- Adult Health Nursing II PNSG 2130- Maternal Nursing*</p> <p>Term B</p> <p>PNSG 2230- Adult Health Nursing III PNSG 2120- Pediatric Nursing*</p> <p>Hours: 19 credits/ 480 didactic contact hours/ 200 clinical contact hours</p>
Semester 3 Summer	<p>PNSG 2240- Adult Health Nursing IV PNSG 2410- Practical Nursing Capstone*</p> <p>Hours: 11 credits/ 283.5 didactic contact hours/ 122.5 clinical contact hours</p> <p>*consider preceptorship for some clinical</p>

Part-time Example

Course Sequence- Part time

Semester	Course Sequence
Semester 1 Fall or Spring	PNSG 2010- Pharmacology PNSG 2030- Fundamentals PNSG 2210- Adult Health Nursing I Hours: 15 credits/ 398.5 didactic contact hours/ 137.5 clinical contact hours
Semester 2 Spring or Summer	PNSG 2220- Adult Health Nursing II PNSG 2330- Mental Health Nursing* Hours: 11 credits/ 225 didactic contact hours/ 100 clinical contact hours
Semester 3 Summer or Fall	PNSG 2230- Adult Health Nursing III PNSG 2130- Maternal Nursing* Hours: 10 credits/ 217.5 didactic contact hours/ 112.5 clinical contact hours
Semester 4 Fall or Spring	PNSG 2240- Adult Health Nursing IV PNSG 2120- Pediatric Nursing* PNSG 2410- Practical Nursing Capstone* Hours: 14 credits/ 358.5 didactic contact hours/ 147.5 clinical contact hours <i>*consider preceptorship for some clinical</i>