

Practical Nursing - Diploma

West Burlington Campus and Keokuk Campus
You have a calling to help others, you are compassionate, you want to give back. A career in nursing provides rewards beyond measure.

Other programs in the Nursing pathway are [Nursing Aide](#) which is a one-class course offered in afternoons in many locations and in hybrid format to accommodate high school students and working individuals.

Successful completion of the [Nursing Diploma](#) program can be completed in Summer, Fall and Spring semesters (11-months) allows the student to test for the NCLEX-PN for licensure as a licensed practical nurse.

Successful completion of the [Nursing AAS](#) program can be completed in two years (starting in Summer) allows the student to test for the NCLEX-RN for licensure as a registered nurse.

Program Information

Nursing is one of the most trusted healthcare professions. Those interested in entering nursing should be caring and compassionate, responsible,

detail-oriented and have the ability to manage stress in dealing with patients and families with acute and chronic diseases. Licensed Practical Nurses work

primarily in long-term care settings, physicians' offices, clinics and home health care. Nursing professionals work daytime, evening, night, and weekend hours. Upon completion of the requirements of the nursing program for the practical nursing diploma option the student is eligible to take the National Council for Licensure Examination (NCLEX-PN) for practical nursing. Successful completion of the NCLEX-PN will allow the individual to practice as a Licensed Practical

Nurse. Upon successful completion of the Practical Nursing Diploma requirements the student may also advance to the Associate Degree Nurse career option. Students receiving the PN Diploma and passing the licensure examination may work as an LPN while pursuing the Associate Degree in Nursing.

Preparatory Nursing Many students prep for Nursing by completing the related courses before enrolling in the PNN courses. Before enrolling in any of the preparatory courses, please review the offerings with an Enrollment Specialist. Developmental Psychology English Composition I Introduction to Psychology Human Anatomy & Physiology I Human Anatomy & Physiology II Introduction to Sociology Microbiology.

For specific information regarding program rules and expectations, please view the [Nursing Program Handbook](#).

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Program Requirements

Prerequisite	Credit
BIO-168 Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4
BIO-173 Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4
BIO-186 Microbiology	4
Semester Total.....	12
Summer Semester	Credit
ENG-105 Composition I	3
PNN-160 Introduction to Nursing Practice	2
PSY-121 Developmental Psychology	3
Semester Total.....	8
Fall Semester I	Credit
PNN-222 Pharmacology I	1
PNN-534 Nursing I	12.5
Semester Total.....	13.5
Spring Semester I	Credit
PNN-311 PN Issues and Trends	1
PNN-535 Nursing II	12
Semester Total.....	13
Program Total.....	46.5