



**2010-2011 PETITION/PROGRAM SHEET**  
**Degree: Technical Certificate**  
**Major: Practical Nurse**  
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**About This Degree . . .**

This program is designed for students interested in becoming a Licensed Practical Nurse as an entry into the nursing career ladder program. Completion of the Practical Nurse Certificate allows students to progress onto the second year of the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing Degree or apply for advanced placement in the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree. The Practical Nursing program prepares the student to be a direct care giver in hospitals, long-term facilities, and ambulatory care-clinic settings.

The potential student must demonstrate college-level proficiency in reading and writing in order to be admitted to this program. This program has selective admission requirements and requirements may change from year to year. It is the student's responsibility to obtain the current admission requirements.

**POLICIES:**

1. It is your responsibility to determine whether you have met the requirements for your degree. Please see your MSC Catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.
2. You must turn in your "Intent to Graduate" form to the Registrar's Office by **September 15 if you plan to graduate the following May, and by February 15 if you plan to graduate the following December.**
3. This program sheet must be submitted with your graduation planning sheet to your advisor during the **semester prior to the semesters of graduation, no later than October 1 for spring graduates, no later than March 1 for fall graduates.**
4. Your advisor will sign and forward the Program Sheet and Graduation Planning Sheet to the Department Head for signature.
5. Finally, the Department Head or the department administrative assistant will take the signed forms to the Registrar's Office. (Students cannot handle the forms once the advisor signs.)
6. If your petition for graduation is denied, it will be your responsibility to reapply for graduation in a subsequent semester. Your "Intent to Graduate" does not automatically move to a later graduation date.
7. NOTE: The semester before graduation, you will be required to take a Major Field Achievement Test (Exit Exam).

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**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **STUDENT ID #** \_\_\_\_\_

**LOCAL ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

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I, (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_, hereby certify that I have completed (or will complete) all the courses listed on the Program Sheet. I further certify that the grade listed for those courses is the final course grade received except for the courses in which I am currently enrolled and the courses which I complete next semester. I have indicated the semester in which I will complete these courses.

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Signature of Advisor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Signature of Department Head

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Date

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Signature of Registrar

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Date

**Students should work closely with a faculty advisor when selecting and scheduling courses prior to registration.** See the “Undergraduate Graduation Requirements” in the Mesa State College catalog for additional graduation information.

**Degree Requirements:**

- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in all MSC coursework
- Pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- 2.00 GPA or higher in all general education, prerequisite and nursing courses. Program sheets are for advising purposes only. Because a program may have requirements specific to the degree, check with your advisor for additional guidelines, including prerequisites, grade point averages, grades, exit examinations, and other expectations. It is the student’s responsibility to be aware of, and follow, all guidelines for the degree being pursued. Any exceptions or substitutions must be approved by the faculty advisor and/or Department Head.
- A student must follow the MSC graduation requirements either from 1) the program sheet for the major in effect at the time the student officially declares a major; or 2) a program sheet for the major approved for a year subsequent to the year during which the student officially declares the major and is approved for the student by the department head. Because a program may have requirements specific to the degree, the student should check with the faculty advisor for additional criteria. It is the student’s responsibility to be aware of, and follow, all requirements for the degree being pursued. Any exceptions or substitutions must be approved by the student’s faculty advisor and Department Head.

**GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS** (9 Semester Hours)

See the current Mesa State College catalog for a list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If a course is on the general education list of options and a requirement for your major, you must use it to fulfill the major requirement and make a different selection within the general education requirement.

Course	No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns
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**English** (6 semester hours, must receive a grade of “C” or better and must be completed by the time the student enters the PN program)

ENGL 111	English Composition	3	_____	_____	_____
ENGL 112	English Composition	3	_____	_____	_____

**Social and Behavioral Sciences, Humanities or Selected Speech Courses** (3 semester hours)

\*\*PSYC 233 Human Growth & Development 3 \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*This course is counted with the general education courses, but is a prerequisite for the L.P.N. in Nursing program.

**PREREQUISITES** (8 Semester Hours)

BIOL 209	Human Anat & Physiology I	3	_____	_____	_____
BIOL 209L	Human Anat & Physiology I Lab	1	_____	_____	_____
BIOL 210	Human Anat & Physiology II	3	_____	_____	_____
BIOL 210L	Human Anat & Physiology II Lab	1	_____	_____	_____

**TECHNICAL CERTIFICATE IN PRACTICAL NURSING**  
**COURSE REQUIREMENTS** (31 Semester Hours)

Course	No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns
NURS 101	Pharmacology Calculations	1	_____	_____	_____
NURS 106	Fund Med Surg Concepts I	3	_____	_____	_____
NURS 106L	Fund Med Surg Concepts I Lab	2	_____	_____	_____
NURS 107	Foundations of Nursing	3	_____	_____	_____
NURS 107L	Foundations of Nursing Lab	2	_____	_____	_____
NURS 108	Foundations of Nursing II	3	_____	_____	_____
NURS 108L	Foundations of Nursing II Lab	1	_____	_____	_____
NURS 112	Basic Concepts of Pharmacology	2	_____	_____	_____
NURS 117	Nursing Care of Childbearing Family	2	_____	_____	_____
NURS 117L	Nursing Care of Childbearing Family Lab	1	_____	_____	_____
NURS 118	Nursing Care of Children	2	_____	_____	_____
NURS 118L	Nursing Care of Children Lab	1	_____	_____	_____
NURS 156	Socialization into Practical Nurs	1	_____	_____	_____
NURS 172	Fund Med Surg Concepts II	3	_____	_____	_____
NURS 172L	Fund Med Surg Concepts II Lab	4	_____	_____	_____

## SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCING FOR THE PRACTICAL NURSING TECHNICAL CERTIFICATE

This is a recommended sequence of course work. Certain courses may have prerequisites or are only offered during the Fall or Spring semesters. It is the student's responsibility to meet with the assigned advisor and check the 2 year course matrix on the Mesa State website for course availability.

### FIRST YEAR

<b>First Semester</b>		<b>Hours</b>	<b>Second Semester</b>		<b>Hours</b>
ENGL 111	English Composition	3	ENGL 112	English Composition	3
BIOL 209*	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	3	BIOL 210*	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	3
BIOL 209L*	Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lab	1	BIOL 210L*	Human Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	<u>1</u>
PSYC 233**	Human Growth & Development	<u>3</u>			***7
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\*BIOL 209/209L and BIOL 210/210L must have been completed within five years prior to applying to the nursing program.

\*\*This course is counted with the general education courses, but is a prerequisite for the Licensed Practical Nursing program.

\*\*\*Students desiring to progress onto the Associate of Applied Science or Bachelor of Science in Nursing should check with their advisor to develop a full time schedule of general education and program requirements during this first year.

### SECOND YEAR

<b>Third Semester</b>		<b>Hours</b>	<b>Fourth Semester</b>		<b>Hours</b>
NURS 101	Pharmacology Calculations	1	NURS 117	Nursing Care of Childbearing Family	2
NURS 106	Fund Med Surg Concepts I	3	NURS 117L	Nursing Care of Childbearing Family Lab	1
NURS 106L	Fund Med Surg Concepts I Lab	2	NURS 118	Nursing Care of Children	2
NURS 107	Foundations of Nursing	3	NURS 118L	Nursing Care of Children Lab	1
NURS 107L	Foundations of Nursing Lab	2	NURS 156	Socialization into Practical Nursing	1
NURS 112	Basic Concepts of Pharmacology	<u>2</u>	NURS 172	Fund Med Surg Concepts II	3
		13	NURS 172L	Fund Med Surg Concepts II Lab	<u>4</u>
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<b>Winter Semester</b>		<b>Hours</b>			
NURS 108	Foundations of Nursing II	3			
NURS 108L	Foundations of Nursing II Lab	<u>1</u>			
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