



2015-2016 PETITION/PROGRAM SHEET
Degree: Technical Certificate
Program of Study: Practical Nurse

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.

For more information on what you can do with this major, go to <http://www.coloradomesa.edu/career/whatmajor.html>.

All CMU certificate graduates are expected to demonstrate proficiency in critical thinking, communication fluency, quantitative fluency, and specialized knowledge/applied learning. In addition to these campus-wide student learning outcomes, graduates of this major will be able to:

1. Function as a competent practical nurse within a legal and ethical framework to provide holistic care to patients from diverse backgrounds. (Applied Learning)
2. Promote a therapeutic environment supporting communication across the lifespan for vulnerable and diverse populations. (Communication Fluency)
3. Demonstrate clinical decision-making and critical thinking skills to provide effective nursing care for individuals throughout the development stages across the lifespan. (Specialized Knowledge, Applied Learning)
4. In collaborative manner, organize and incorporate assessment data to plan/revise patient care based on established nursing diagnoses, assessments, and evaluate data. (Critical Thinking)
5. Utilize knowledge of the nursing process, patient needs, and the role of the nurse when providing safe, effective, and individualize patient care, which respects values, culture, and expressed needs. (Specialized Knowledge)
6. Implement the nursing process, utilizing critical thinking by collecting patient data, identifying patient needs, reporting findings, and providing input into the plan of care. (Applied Learning)

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 have read and understand the policies listed on the last page of this 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.

Signature of Advisor _____ 20_____
Date

Signature of Department Head _____ 20_____
Date

Signature of Registrar _____ 20_____
Date

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

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in all CMU coursework
- Pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- 2.00 GPA or higher in all Essential Learning, 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 CMU 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.

ESSENTIAL LEARNING REQUIREMENTS (9 Semester Hours)

See the current catalog for a list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If a course is on the Essential Learning 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 Essential Learning requirement.

Course No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns
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Communication (6 semester hours, must receive a grade of “C” or better and must be completed or in the process of completion by March 1 application deadline. “Late start” or “second module” classes beginning after March 1 deadline do not count toward Essential Learning classes.)

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

History, Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Fine Arts,

Natural Sciences, Mathematics, or selected Applied Studies+

Courses (3 semester hours)

**PSYC 233	Human Growth & Development	3	_____	_____
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PREREQUISITES (8 Semester Hours)

BIOL 209	Human Anat & Physiology I	3	_____	_____
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*Required by this program

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

+Choose from HSCI 101, SPCH 101, SPCH 102

Course No	Title	Sem hrs	Grade	Term/Trns
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)

NURS 101	Pharmacology Calculations	1	_____	_____
NURS 105L	PN IV Certification	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 109	Introduction to Mental Health	2	_____	_____
NURS 109L	Introduction to Mental Health 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 Colorado Mesa website for course availability.

FIRST YEAR

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours
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 Essential Learning 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 Essential Learning and program requirements during this first year.

SECOND YEAR

Third Semester	Hours	Fourth Semester	Hours
NURS 101 Pharmacology Calculations	1	NURS 109 Introduction to Mental Health	2
NURS 105 PN IV Certification	1	NURS 109L Introduction to Mental Health Lab	1
NURS 106 Fund Med Surg Concepts I	3	NURS 117 Nursing Care of Childbearing Family	2
NURS 106L Fund Med Surg Concepts I Lab	2	NURS 117L Nursing Care of Childbearing Family Lab	1
NURS 107 Foundations of Nursing	3	NURS 118 Nursing Care of Children	2
NURS 107L Foundations of Nursing Lab	2	NURS 118L Nursing Care of Children Lab	1
NURS 112 Basic Concepts of Pharmacology	<u>2</u>	NURS 156 Socialization into Practical Nursing	1
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		NURS 172L Fund Med Surg Concepts II Lab	<u>4</u>
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POLICIES:

1. Please see the catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.
2. This program sheet must be submitted with your graduation planning sheet to your advisor during the **semester prior to the semester of graduation, no later than October 1 for spring graduates, no later than March 1 for fall graduates.** 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. Your advisor will sign and forward the Program Sheet and Graduation Planning Sheet to the Department Head for signature. Finally, the Department Head will submit the signed forms to the Registrar's Office. (Students cannot handle the forms once the advisor signs.)
4. 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.
5. NOTE: During your final year, you will be required to take a capstone exit assessment/project (e.g., Major Field Achievement Test).