

Virginia Western Community College
PNE 145
Trends in Practical Nursing

Prerequisites

Acceptance into Practical Nursing program. Satisfactory completion of previous semester courses including PNE 141, PNE 142, PNE 155 if required, PNE 110, PNE 111, PNE 158, and PNE 181

Course Description

Studies the role of the Licensed Practical Nurse. Covers legal aspects, organizations, and opportunities in practical nursing. Designed to assist the student in preparation for employment.

Semester Credits: # 3 CR; Lecture Hours: #2 Lab/Clinical/Internship Hours: #3

Required Materials**Textbook:**

Kuzen, Corrine (2021). *Contemporary Practical/Vocational Nursing (9th ed)*. Philadelphia: Lippincott, Williams, & Wilkins. ISBN 9781975136215

Buchholz, Susan (2012). *Henke's Med-Math (9th ed.)* Philadelphia: Lippincott, Williams, & Wilkins. ISBN 978-1-

NCLEX-PN PassPoint by Lippincott

Donnelly-Moreno, L. (2021). *Fundamental Nursing Skills and Concepts (12th ed.)*. Philadelphia: Lippincott, Williams, & Wilkins. ISBN 978-1-4963-2762-8

Coursepoint for Timby Fundamentals of Nursing (12th ed)

Lynn (2020), Lippincott Skills for Nursing Education, ISBN: 978-1-975-18238-0

Giddens, J. (2021), *Concepts for Nursing Practice (3rd ed)*. St. Louis, Missouri, Elsevier, Inc. ISBN 978-0-323-58193-6

Other Required Materials:

Skills Lab Kit (in tote bag) which must be purchased at the VWCC campus book store

Course Outcomes

At the completion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. **Evidence-based practice**-Comprehend the latest evidence in nursing education, licensure, and nursing career management.

2. **Culture**-Discuss the significance of nursing from past to present including aspects of cultural diversity.
3. **Informatics**-Analyze aspects of health care in America as it relates to the interdisciplinary team, the health care system, and the use of electronic medical records.
4. **Safety**-Analyze practice within the professions' ethical and legal framework.
5. **Teamwork**-Integrate nursing knowledge with delegation and supervision of medical assistants, certified nursing assistants, and patient care assistants via discussion of clinical experiences.
6. **Patient centered care**-Analyze aspects of health care in America as it relates to patient-centered care.
7. **Critical thinking**- Relate challenges, current issues and future concerns with one's own Self-Awareness.

Course Outcomes

After completion of the course, the student will be able to:

1. Discuss nursing education and licensure. (Safety)
2. Discuss the significance of nursing from past to present. (Teamwork)
3. Discuss health care in America. (Patient-centered care)
4. Discuss practice within the professions ethical and legal framework. (Evidence-based practice)
5. Discuss practical nursing career management, continuing education, and research. (Informatics)
6. Discuss challenges, current issues and future concerns. (Culture)

Topical Descriptions

Chapter 4: Education for Nursing

- A. Defining Professional and Nonprofessional
- B. Nursing Education Statistics
- C. Scope of Practice
- D. Types of Nursing Schools
- E. Program Overview
- F. Curriculum and Objectives
- G. Approval and Accreditation
- H. Organizations
- I. Standards for the LPN
- J. Job Responsibilities
- K. Licensing

Chapter 5: The NCLEX-PN

- A. Computerized Adaptive Testing
- B. Development
- C. NCLEX-PN Test Plan
- D. Reviewing for NCLEX-PN

- E. Test Anxiety
- F. Application Procedures
- G. Test Center Regulations
- H. Getting Your Results
- I. Re-taking the examination

Chapter 6: Nursing From Past to Present

- A. Ancient Civilizations
- B. Early Christian Era
- C. Early Middle Ages
- D. High Middle Ages
- E. Renaissance Through the 17th Century: The Decline in Nursing
- F. The 18th, 19th, and early 20th Centuries
- G. Development of Practical/Vocational Nursing

Chapter 7: The Health Care System

- A. Health Care System
- B. Health Care Financing
- C. Controlling Health Care Costs
- D. Health Care and the US Government
- E. State and Local Health Departments
- F. Private Organizations That Support the Health Care System
- G. Issues and Concerns

Chapter 8: The Health Care Team

- A. Health Care Team
- B. Personal Qualities of Health Care Workers
- C. Organizational Arrangements
- D. Members of the Health Care Team
- E. The Nursing Team
- F. The Multidisciplinary Team
- G. Nursing Care Delivery Models
- H. Changing Roles of Nurses in Health Care

Chapter 9 Providing Patient Care

- A. Nurse-Patient Interaction
- B. Nursing Theory
- C. Nursing Process
- D. Transcultural Nursing
- E. Social Diversity
- F. Managing the Physical Environment

Chapter 10 Ethical Issues in Health Care

- A. Ethics
- B. Nursing and Ethics
- C. Personal Accountability
- D. Unethical Behavior
- E. Ethical Dilemmas

- F. Ethical Issues in Nursing
- G. Bioethics

Chapter 11 Legally Responsible Nursing Practice

- A. Good Samaritan Statutes
- B. Sources of Law
- C. Regulations of Nursing Practice
- D. Responsibility and Liability
- E. Legal Relationships Between the Employer and Employee
- F. Standards of Care
- G. Legal Issues for Nurses
- H. Criminal Law and Nursing

Chapter 12 Leadership and Followership Skills

- A. Leader and Leadership Defined
- B. Leadership Styles
- C. Types of Behavior
- D. Qualities of Effective Leaders
- E. Leading and Team Building
- F. Handling Change
- G. Handling Conflict
- H. Followership Qualities
- I. Developing Leadership Skills

Chapter 13 Management Skills

- A. Personal Qualities of Managers
- B. Education
- C. Levels of Management
- D. Managing Patient Care
- E. Managing the Unit
- F. Managing Communication

Chapter 14 Managing Your Nursing Career

- A. Career Opportunities in Nursing
- B. Employer Expectations
- C. Transitional Challenges
- D. Self-Assessment
- E. Finding a Position
- F. Evaluating Positions
- G. On the Job
- H. Resignation
- I. Dismissal
- J. Your Budget
- K. Your Career
- L. Nursing Organizations
- M. Political Process
- N. Collective Bargaining

O. Grievances

Chapter 15 Challenges in the Workplace

- A. Work-Related Challenges
- B. Occupational Challenges
- C. Environmental Challenges

Chapter 16 Current Issues and Future Concerns

- A. Change
- B. Green Health Care
- C. Occupational Risk
- D. Chemically Impaired Nurses
- E. Maintaining Competence
- F. Continuing Education for License Renewal
- G. Computers in Health Care
- H. Electronic Health Records
- I. Employment
- J. Education
- K. Long-Term Care Facilities
- L. Cultural Diversity and the Nursing Team
- M. Discrimination
- N. Nurse Licensure Compact
- O. Delegation and Cross-Training
- P. Safe Staffing
- Q. Nurse Shortage
- R. Alternative Therapies
- S. Critical Thinking
- T. Bioethics
- U. End-of –Life Issues
- V. The Health Care System
- W. Violence and Bullying in the Workplace
- X. The Future