

**Okaloosa Technical College**  
**PRACTICAL NURSING PROGRAM**  
**APPLICATION INFORMATION**  
**PLEASE READ THIS IN ITS ENTIRETY BEFORE COMPLETING YOUR**  
**APPLICATION:**

I. **Entering the LPN Program.** The LPN program is open to all qualified persons 18 years of age and above with a high school diploma or its equivalent. The Florida Board of Nursing and the Florida Department of Education set forth the Practical Nursing program policies.

A. **Entrance Requirements.**

1. You must pass the LPN entrance examination.
2. You must provide proof of completion of high school or its equivalent (after acceptance).
3. Any applicant who has been convicted of a felony must submit a Certificate of Restoration of Civil Rights with their application. Further details on this matter are available from our program Director.

B. **Placement into the Program.** Applicants are placed into the LPN program when all admission requirements are met and selection committee has made final decisions.

**Applicants must:**

1. Submit an application.
2. Make an appointment for your required entrance testing. Testing appointments will be offered only as long as space remains available. Appointments will be made only for persons who submit a current LPN application. The ***non-refundable*** testing fee (\$40.00) is due when the appointment is scheduled. Payment may be in the form of cash or check. Testing will be conducted at the Okaloosa Technical College twice a year (February and August).
3. Scheduling: You must schedule your appointment in person in the main office of the school. Because of the number of applications received, you will be ***allowed to test only once*** during a testing cycle. We suggest that you write down the day, date and time of your test. You may change your test appointment, if space is available. Test sessions will be closed once the available spaces are filled.
4. Test Description: The NLN Pre-Admission Examination (NLN – PAX-PN/VN) for the practical nursing candidate will measure three academic proficiencies: Verbal, Mathematics, and Science. One hour is allowed for each subtest; approximately 3 ½ hours are needed for administering this computer-based examination.
5. Test Materials. ***Bring*** two ***pencils*** and a ***picture ID*** card and ***payment receipt for test*** to the test room.
6. ***No one*** will be admitted after the test begins so please arrive at least 15 minutes before scheduled test time.
7. Test Results. The top scores from the PAX-PN/VN test will be offered an interview with the nursing faculty. If selected for the program the student will take the TABE test (those with a

college degree are exempt). ***If*** you are ***not selected*** to enter the program you will be required to start the admission process again for the next testing cycle. If you do not pass the TABE test, but are accepted into the program, you will have an opportunity to remediate and retake the TABE test.

**8. Placement into the program.** Placement into the LPN program is dependent on a number of variables. The LPN Faculty prior to class selection will interview applicants. PAX-PN/VN test scores and interview results will be evaluated for placement into the LPN program. If a candidate has prior college credit, in required courses, that student will not be required to retake that course in our program. Having college credit will not guarantee your automatic admission into this program however. Each qualified candidate will have an equal opportunity for admission into the LPN program.

**Note:** For those accepted into the LPN program, it is your responsibility to have all financial aid applications approved and ready for processing. For information regarding financial assistance, consider the following:

Pell Grant [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov), Military families: [www.afas.org-docs-for2.doc](http://www.afas.org-docs-for2.doc) or visit Base children and family services.

Other resources: [www.okaloosaschools.com](http://www.okaloosaschools.com).

C. Additional Entrance Requirements. Applicants selected for LPN program will be required to:

1. Attend orientation. The date and time will be determined.
2. Complete a physical examination. The necessary forms will be issued at the orientation or at the beginning of the course.
3. Submit to a background check, fingerprint and urine drug screening. Further information will be given after admission to program.

**NOTE - ONLY THOSE NOTIFIED OF THEIR TENTATIVE ACCEPTANCE NEED BE CONCERNED WITH THE ABOVE THREE REQUIREMENTS.**

**General LPN Program Information:** The Practical Nursing Program is a 14- month 1350- hour course of study leading to licensure as a Practical Nurse in the state of Florida. It consists of classes at the Okaloosa Technical College campus and clinical practice in local health care facilities. All instructors are registered nurses and certified teachers.

**Attendance Policy:** OTC School of Practical Nursing has a **NO ABSENCE** policy. Due to the limited number of hours available for instructional purposes, all absences must be made up before graduation. Excessive absences will jeopardize the student's progress in the program and may be grounds for dismissal. **When a student accumulates a total of 35 hours of absences, he/she may be dropped from the program.**

## CURRICULUM CONTENT

Fall semester of one year to December/January of the Next year (14 Months)

### **B. Projected Schedule. (CORE)**

**Fall Semester (Date to be determined) (7:30 AM - 1:20 PM Monday through Friday, Clinical Days**

**6:30 AM – 1:30 PM)**

Health Care Core

Medical Terminology

Standard Precautions, Blood Borne Pathogens including AIDS and HIV

Domestic Violence

CPR/First Aid

Fundamentals of Nursing

Long-term Care Clinical

**January ( Spring Semester) (Classroom days 7:30 AM - 1:20 PM, Clinical Days 6:30 AM - 1:30 PM). Occasionally until 3:00 PM)**

Fundamentals of Nursing (Advanced)

Fundamentals of Nursing Clinical

Vocational Adjustments I

Computer Skills

Dosages and Solutions

Pharmacology

Body Structure and Function

Nutrition

Life Span (Human Growth and Development)

Introduction to Medical/Surgical Nursing

Introduction to Medical/Surgical Nursing Clinical

**June (Summer Session) (Classroom days 7:30 AM - 1:20 PM, Clinical Days 6:30 AM - 1:30 PM Occasionally until 3:00)**

Medical Surgical Nursing I

Medical Surgical Nursing I Clinical

Mental Health

**August (Fall Semester) (Classroom days 7:30 AM - 1:20 PM, Clinical Days 6:30 AM — 3:00 PM)**

Medical/Surgical Nursing II

Medical/Surgical Nursing II Clinical

Medical/Surgical Nursing III

Medical/Surgical Nursing III Clinical

Dosages and Solutions Clinical

Pharmacology Clinical

Medical/Surgical Nursing Preceptorship

Nursing of Children

Nursing of Children Clinical

Maternal/Newborn

Maternal/Newborn Clinical

Vocational Adjustments II

## CURRICULUM CONTENT

Spring Semester of one year to June/July of the next year

### B. Projected Schedule.

**Spring Semester (Date to be determined) (7:30 AM - 1:20 PM Monday through Friday ,**

**Clinical Days 6:30 AM – 1:30 PM)**

Health Care Core

Medical Terminology

Standard Precautions, Blood Borne Pathogens including AIDS and HIV

Domestic Violence

CPR/First Aid

Fundamentals of Nursing

Long-term Care Clinical

**August (Fall Semester) (Classroom days 7:30AM - 1:20 PM, Clinical Days 6:30 AM - 1:30 PM).**

**Occasionally until 3:00 PM)**

Fundamentals of Nursing (Advanced)

Fundamentals of Nursing Clinical

Vocational Adjustments I

Computer Skills

Dosages and Solutions

Pharmacology

Body Structure and Function

Nutrition

Life Span (Human Growth and Development)

Introduction to Medical/Surgical Nursing

Introduction to Medical/Surgical Nursing Clinical

**January (Spring Semester)**

Medical Surgical Nursing I

Medical Surgical Nursing I Clinical

Medical/Surgical Nursing II

Medical/Surgical Nursing II Clinical

Medical/Surgical Nursing III

Medical/Surgical Nursing III Clinical

Dosages and Solutions Clinical

Pharmacology Clinical

Mental Health

Nursing of Children

Maternal/Newborn

**June - July (Summer Semester)**

Nursing of Children Clinical

Maternal/Newborn Clinical

Medical/Surgical Nursing Preceptorship

Medical/Surgical III Clinical

Vocational Adjustments II

**Okaloosa Technical College**  
**Practical Nursing Program: Curriculum Content**  
**Night Class**  
Semester dates will change depending on start date for each class

<b>LPN Core and CNA – OCP A &amp; B</b>					
<b>HSC 0003 Basic Health Care Worker (90 hrs.)<sup>OCP A</sup></b>					
<b>Course</b>	<b>Class Hours</b>	<b>Lab Hours</b>	<b>Clinical Hours</b>	<b>Total Hours</b>	
Health Care Core	63				
Med terms	10				
HIV/AIDS/DV	4				
Standard Precautions	3				
CPR	10				
<b>HCP 0121 Nurses Aide and Orderly (75 hrs.)<sup>OCP B</sup></b>					
Fundamentals	35 (campus lab hrs 20)				
Long Term Care Clinical			40		
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>125</b>		<b>40</b>		<b>165</b>
<b>Term 1 Practical Nursing (Fall Semester)</b>					
<b>PRN 0091 Practical Nursing (238 hrs.) &amp; PRN 0092 Practical Nursing (42)</b>					
<b>PRN 0091 Practical Nursing (280 hrs.)</b>					
Fund. Adv. Skills	45 (campus lab hrs 35)				
Fundamentals Clinical			53		
Vocational Adj. I	5				
Computers	15				
Growth & Development	30				
A & P	60				
Nutrition	30				
<b>PRN 0092 Practical Nursing (62)</b>					
Fund. Adv. Skills	30 (campus lab hrs 15)				
Pharmacology	6				
Dosage & solutions	6				
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>227</b>		<b>53</b>		<b>280</b>
<b>Term 2 Practical Nursing (Spring Semester)<sup>OCP C</sup></b>					
<b>PRN 0092 Practical Nursing (338 hrs.) PRN 0096 Practical Nursing (95)</b>					
<b>PRN 0092 Practical Nursing (338 hrs.)</b>					
Intro to M/S	60				
Intro to M/S Clinical			72		
Pharmacology	29				
Fundamentals Clinical PRN0091			47		
Fundamentals Clinical PRN0092			20		
Med/Surg Nsg I	45				
Med/Surg Nsg I Clinical			70		
Dosage & solutions	14				
Med /Surg Nsg II	27				
Med/Surg Nsg II Clinical			21		
Mental Health	28				
<b>PRN 0096 Practical Nursing (95)</b>					
Pharmacology Lab			15		
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>203</b>		<b>245</b>		<b>448</b>

<b>PRN 0092 Practical Nursing (Summer Session)</b>					
<b>PRN 0092 Practical Nursing (143 hrs.)</b>					
Med /Surg Nsg II		18			
Med/Surg Nsg II Clinical				4	
<b>PRN 0096 Practical Nursing (450)</b>					
Med/Surg Nsg II Lab				65	
Total Hours		18		69	87
<b>PRN 0096 Practical Nursing (Fall Session)</b>					
<b>PRN 0096 Practical Nursing (143 hrs.)</b>					
Med /Surg Nsg III		45			
Med/ Surg Nsg III Lab				124	
Dosage & Sol Lab				15	
Nursing of Children		34		32	
Maternal/ Newborn Nsg		34		32	
Voc Adj II		14			
Med/Surg Precept				40	
Total Hours		127		243	370
<b>Total Program Hours</b>		<b>630</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>1350</b>

C. Estimated Expenses. (**Costs are subject to change without prior notice**)

**Tuition (for Florida Residents)**

Spring or Fall semester Core	\$457.05
First Semester	\$1445.94
June (Summer Semester)	\$393.34
Second Semester	\$1443.17
Books	\$1056.00

**Miscellaneous Expenses**

Entrance Examination Fee **	\$40.00
TABE Test **	\$15.00
Uniforms and accessories **	\$265.00
Non-Refundable Professional Fee	\$562.00
Background check and Drug screen **	\$94.50
Finger printing **	\$76.25
CPR certification **	\$35.00
Total (Tuition and Expenses).....	\$5578.75

\*\* Out of Pocket cost usually not covered by financial aid

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D. Financial Aid information is available upon request.

Selection Process:

The entrance test will require approximately 3 ½ hours of testing time for completion. As the fee is \$40 for this test, please make sure you are ready for the test. If you do not pass the entrance test you must wait six (6) months and pay the testing fee again before being allowed to retest.

**Please note the information below for a general “study guide” for the entrance test.**

Review Guide for LPN/LVN Pre-Entrance Exam, Third Edition (2009) is available at this web site: <http://www.jbpub.com/catalog/9780763762704/> Other bookstores may be resources for the review book as well.

*The Pre-Admission Examination will test your proficiency in the following areas: Verbal Ability, Mathematics, Science, health and first aid.*

**PAX-PN/ TESTING FOR LPN ADMISSION WILL BE OFFERED IN FEBRUARY AND AUGUST OF EACH YEAR. CHECK WITH THE MAIN OFFICE FOR SPECIFIC DATES during a testing cycle.**

**If you have a registration form on file at the school you will receive an email informing you that test dates are posted. The information will also be posted on our school web site.**

**Telephone: 833-3500 for information.**

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