



Charlotte Technical College

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PROGRAM INFORMATION AND STUDENT SELECTION CRITERIA

PROGRAM CONTENT

This program is designed to prepare competent individuals for a challenging career in health care. The licensed practical nurse is a vital member of the health care team and functions in a variety of health care settings. The state licensure examination follows graduation. This program is approved by the Florida Board of Nursing. Students complete clinical hours in participating healthcare facilities in the community.

PROGRAM STARTING TIMES

Day and Evening: January/July

HOURS

Day: 7:30AM – 2:45PM M-F

Evening: 4:00PM – 9:00PM M-Th, Every other Saturday 6:30AM – 3:00PM

PRACTICAL NURSING TEACHES

- Practical Nursing Foundations 1 (300 hours)
- Practical Nursing Foundations 2 (300 hours)
- Medical-Surgical Nursing 1 (300 hours)
- Medical-Surgical Nursing (300 hours)
- Comprehensive Nursing & Transitional Skills (150 hours)

IMPORTANT: Required for admission

- Minimum 18 years of age when the program begins
- Proof of high school graduation or higher education. Document(s) accepted:
- Official U.S. High School transcript or GED-this is required regardless of other transcripts
- Official Associate's or Bachelor's transcript (If applicable)
- Foreign transcript evaluation of high school graduation or higher education
- Background Check and Drug Screening Clearance (upon acceptance)
- All Clinical Requirements Completed
- Successful completion of the TEAS exam based on the below criteria
- Students must also complete additional admission requirements as listed on our timeline checklist. You may access the timeline here:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/10PWc6NunLVuov98PvUEqIXomImkUNlyzYmgPHhmnRnc/edit>

Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) measures basic essential skills in the academic content area domains of Reading, Mathematics, Science, and English and Language usage. *The TEAS MUST be successfully completed before scheduling a registration appointment.*

1. PRACTICAL NURSING APPLICANTS are highly encouraged to score at least 60% or better on the TEAS TEST. Applicants who score a 60% or more will be given priority in the selection process.
2. Proficient scores generally indicate a moderate level of health sciences-related content. Students at this level can require additional preparation for some objectives assessed on ATI TEAS. Proficient scores are considered between 58.7% - 77.3%. However, scores in this range do not guarantee acceptance. Scores are reviewed annually and are, therefore, subject to change based on current ATI® data. Points awarded are dependent on score earned (see Matrix).
3. Practical Nursing applicants may schedule the TEAS in the CTC testing center.

TRANSFER STUDENT REQUIREMENTS

Applicants who have attended, but not completed, another practical nursing program must provide a letter of good standing from the Director of the School of Nursing (or designee) that addresses the following: potential for success in a PN program, safety in providing nursing care, interpersonal communication skills, and other information the director deems important.

WORK RELATED EXPERIENCE

Practical Nursing applicants will be awarded points on the selection matrix based off of current healthcare worker status, a history of working in the healthcare field within the last 5 years or currently volunteering in the healthcare field. Letter from employer and/or volunteer supervisor required. This person cannot be a relative.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Previous completion of High School Anatomy and Physiology will be awarded points.

Previous completion of a CNA course will be awarded points. Copy of CNA License required.

IF YOU ARE ACCEPTED

Once selected you must attend a mandatory orientation. Failure to attend will result in forfeiture of the place in the class. Results of all physical admission requirements must be turned in to the school at least fourteen (14) days prior to the first day of class.

PROGRAM EXPENSES

The tuition amount is set by the Florida Legislature, approved by the School Board, and subject to change without prior notice.

FINANCIAL AID

All potential students are encouraged to apply for financial aid. Students with a Bachelor's Degree are not eligible for PELL.

COMPUTERS

All students will need a home computer, online accessibility, and printer to provide access to web assisted learning/activities/homework, which is required of all students, throughout the program. During school hours CTC will provide a laptop for student use.