

Clinical Experience

- ☐ Students are required to complete a sequence of courses and learning experiences provided at the college and at selected community agencies such as: special and general hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, physicians' offices, day care centers, and schools. The nursing faculty members observe and evaluate the students' suitability for nursing and providing direct patient care.
- ☐ Individual contracts are in effect with each affiliated clinical agency and these contracts may differ in requirements made of students. Clinical agencies reserve the right to dismiss a student from their agency at any time with due cause. This will be done with advance notice except in emergencies.
- ☐ Proper uniform must be worn.
- ☐ Students must adhere to published clinical facility policies.
- ☐ Documented proof of current immunizations must be on file with the nursing program faculty members.
- ☐ The clinical agency, its agents, and employees are released from any liability for any injury or death to students or damage to their property arising out of the clinical agreement or use of the clinical agencies' facilities.
- ☐ The College recommends that all students carry accident insurance and personal health insurance due to inherent risk of exposure to disease. The College/Clinical agency does not assume responsibility for accidents/incidents requiring medical attention. All registered students taking three or more credit hours are eligible to enroll in the VCCS Health Insurance Plan. Information on rates and coverage are available in the Student Services Office.
- ☐ Students are responsible for their own transportation to off-campus facilities on time for clinical experience. Documented proof of current American Heart Association CPR certification: BLS for Health Care Provider (minimum requirement) must be on file with the nursing program faculty members.
- ☐ Students may not be allowed to attend clinical laboratory sessions if they have been convicted of anything other than minor traffic violations or have positive urine drug screens.
- ☐ Contracts for each clinical agency are available in the Nursing Program office and may be reviewed by students upon request.