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The Cincinnati State Bethesda School of Nursing prepares graduate nurses who are eligible to take the national standardized nursing examination (NCLEX-RN) and upon passing, work as registered nurses.

The program is approved by the Ohio Board of Nursing and is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Nursing Education (ACEN), 3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850, Atlanta, GA 30326, phone: (404) 975-5000. Graduates are members of the health team prepared to provide nursing care to clients with common health problems in a variety of settings.

Applicants must be graduates of an accredited high school or give evidence of high school equivalency by GED scores that meet standard core requirements set by the Ohio Department of Education. Applicants must have earned grades of C or higher in high school or college biology, chemistry, and algebra courses. These courses must have been taken within seven years of application. COMPASS® scores must meet program requirements. Applicants must be Ohio state-tested nurse aides or LPN's. A cumulative grade point average of 2.75 is required for entry into the clinical courses.

Admission to the College does not guaranty entry into the nursing program. Program applicants must complete the steps of the Nursing Program Progression process to qualify to enter Nursing clinical courses. Additional information about program Progression requirements is available from the Program Director or Program Coordinator and on the program webpage.

General education courses must be taken in the order listed in the program curriculum, unless they have been taken previous to the listed semester. Students must meet all requirements of the program, including earning a minimum grade of C or pass in all curriculum courses, attaining satisfactory clinical evaluation, and maintaining the required grade point average.

During the final semester of the curriculum, students must pass a nationally standardized exit exam in order to pass the final theory course.

Current certification in CPR for health care providers is required for admission into all clinical nursing courses. Students must provide a recent physical exam with up-to-date immunizations, including Hepatitis B, prior to commencing course work. Students must obtain a two-step TB skin test to enter the program and obtain an annual repeat to remain in the program.

Prospective students are advised that when applying for the state licensure examination they are required to answer a series of questions related to criminal convictions, reasons for dismissal from work positions, and mental health status. A positive response to any of these questions can result in disqualification as a candidate for licensure. Refer to Ohio Revised Code 4723.28 for clarification. The licensure application may be viewed on the Ohio Board of Nursing website at [www.nursing.ohio.gov](http://www.nursing.ohio.gov) (<http://www.nursing.ohio.gov>).

Students who wish to enter the program who have been convicted of felonies and/or misdemeanors are required to contact the program director to discuss their situation before entering the Competitive Admissions process.

Background checks will be completed by all incoming students during the Competitive Admissions process, per Health and Public Safety Division policy. A positive background check may prevent a student from entering the program.

Students who are convicted of possession and/or distribution of controlled substances, or have positive drug screens for non-prescription controlled substances while enrolled in the program are automatically dismissed.

Students who wish to transfer nursing credit from another nursing program to Cincinnati State must contact the Program Coordinator for specific information after being admitted to the College and program. Students may transfer a maximum of 17 semester credits (or 26 quarter credits) of clinical courses. Restrictions may be placed on nursing credit transfer for students who failed a nursing course or courses in another program.

Because nursing is a dynamic profession, the program reserves the right to change the curriculum and admission requirements as necessary.

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All degree-seeking students must complete a First Year Experience (FYE) course as part of the first 12 credit hours taken at Cincinnati State.

**Program Prerequisites:** Students seeking admission to the Nursing program must complete specific progression requirements. Students should meet with their academic advisor to discuss progression eligibility and deadlines.

Semester 1		Lec	Lab	Credits
BIO 151	Anatomy and Physiology 1	3	2	4
PSY 110	Introduction to Psychology	3	0	3
ENG 101	English Composition 1	3	0	3
MCH 100	Healthcare Informatics	2	0	2

NUR 101	Nursing Concepts 1	3	0	3
<b>Semester 2</b>				
ENG 102	English Composition 2: Contemporary Issues	3	0	3
BIO 152	Anatomy and Physiology 2	3	2	4
NUR 102	Nursing Concepts 2	3	9	6
<b>Semester 3</b>				
NUR 103	Nursing Concepts 3	7	12	11
BIO 220	Microbiology	2	3	3
<b>Semester 4</b>				
NUR 201	Nursing Concepts 4	8	15	13
COMM XXX Communication Elective				3
<b>Semester 5</b>				
SOC 105	Introduction to Sociology	3	0	3
NUR 202	Nursing Concepts 5	6	9	9
Total Credits:		49	52	70

## Electives

### Communication Elective

COMM 105	Interpersonal Communication	3
COMM 110	Public Speaking	3

## NUR Courses

### NUR 100 Orientation to Nursing

**3 Credits. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hour.**

A course on building knowledge and skills essential to success for students entering the Nursing associate degree program. Topics include: the nursing process, professionalism, critical thinking, time management, study skills, and communication.

Prerequisites: None

### NUR 101 Nursing Concepts 1

**3 Credits. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hour.**

A course on the role of the RN in the healthcare system, including cognitive, affective, and psychomotor skills. Topics include: academic success skills, communication, math, health and wellness, cultural awareness, regulatory guidelines, safety, patient education, and basic nursing skills.

Prerequisites: Admitted to the NUR program, high school biology and chemistry within the past 7 years, and STNA (minimum grade C for all courses)

### NUR 102 Nursing Concepts 2

**6 Credits. 3 Lecture Hours. 9 Lab Hours.**

A continuation of NUR 101. Topics include: holistic care of patients with common health problems, nursing processes, communication, evidence-based practice, cultural sensitivity, and effective decision making skills. Students apply specific nursing and assessment skills in the clinical setting.

Prerequisites: NUR 101, BIO 151, MCH 100 and (ENG 101 or ENG REQC) (minimum grade C for all)

### NUR 103 Nursing Concepts 3

**11 Credits. 7 Lecture Hours. 12 Lab Hours.**

A continuation of NUR 102. Topics include: nursing care of children and adults across the life span. Students apply clinical reasoning and nursing skills in simulations and in the clinical setting.

Prerequisites: NUR 102, BIO 152, and 6 credits of English Composition (minimum grade C for all)

### NUR 104 Academic Success Strategies for Nursing

**3 Credits. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hour.**

A course on strategies for academic success in the Nursing associate degree program. Topics include: using college resources; building skills in critical thinking, studying, mathematics, and test-taking; and improving time management skills.

Prerequisites: Instructor consent

### NUR 105 Nursing LPN to ADN Transition

**3 Credits. 2 Lecture Hours. 3 Lab Hours.**

A course for the LPN who is transitioning into the Associate's degree Nursing program. Topics include: concepts and skills distinctive to the LPN and RN, nursing roles and academic programs, and skills applications in laboratory and clinical settings.

Prerequisites: Unencumbered LPN license in Ohio, and BIO 151 and ENG 101 (minimum grade C for both)

**NUR 106 Nursing LPN/ADN Bridge****4 Credits. 2 Lecture Hours. 6 Lab Hours.**

A course for the Licensed Practical Nurse entering the Associate's degree Nursing program. Topics include: nursing care of children, and nursing skills and competencies. Students apply clinical reasoning and nursing skills in simulations and in the clinical setting.

Prerequisites: Unencumbered LPN license in Ohio, and BIO 151 and ENG 101 (minimum grade C for both)

**NUR 150 Nursing Advanced Standing - LPN to ADN****13 Credits. 13 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hour.**

Students may receive up to 13 semester credit hours for prior training as an LPN that applies to credits required in the Associate's degree Nursing program. Approval by the Nursing Program Chair is required.

Prerequisites: Program Chair consent

**NUR 198 First Year Special Topics in Nursing****1-9 Credits. 0 Lecture Hour. 0 Lab Hour.**

A course on selected topics related to Nursing, which gives students opportunities to study information not currently covered in other courses. Grades issued are A, B, C, D, or F.

Prerequisites: None

**NUR 199 First Year Independent Project in Nursing****1-9 Credits. 0 Lecture Hour. 0 Lab Hour.**

A project related to Nursing that is completed by one or more students to meet specific educational goals. Projects must have prior approval and supervision by Nursing faculty. Grades issued are Satisfactory or Unsatisfactory.

Prerequisites: Vary by section

**NUR 201 Nursing Concepts 4****13 Credits. 8 Lecture Hours. 15 Lab Hours.**

A continuation of NUR 103. Topics include: nursing care of individuals and families in multiple clinical settings, including mental health/psychiatric nursing, obstetrical nursing, and medical-surgical nursing. Students apply specific skills in the clinical setting.

Prerequisites: NUR 103 or NUR 105, and BIO 152 (minimum grade C for all)

**NUR 202 Nursing Concepts 5****9 Credits. 6 Lecture Hours. 9 Lab Hours.**

A continuation of NUR 201. Topics include: managing care of patients experiencing complex, acute, and emergency variations in health status; preparing for the NCLEX-RN exam; and preparing for transition to the role of professional nurse. Students apply specific skills in the clinical setting.

Prerequisites: NUR 201, and COMM 105 or COMM 110 (minimum grade C for all)

**NUR 298 Second Year Special Topics in Nursing****1-9 Credits. 0 Lecture Hour. 0 Lab Hour.**

A course on selected topics related to Nursing, which gives students opportunities to study information not currently covered in other courses. Grades issued are A, B, C, D, or F.

Prerequisites: None

**NUR 299 Second Year Independent Project in Nursing****1-9 Credits. 0 Lecture Hour. 0 Lab Hour.**

A project related to Nursing that is completed by one or more students to meet specific educational goals. Projects must have prior approval and supervision by Nursing faculty. Grades issued are Satisfactory or Unsatisfactory.

Prerequisites: Vary by section

**PN Courses****PN 101 Practical Nursing Concepts 1****8 Credits. 5 Lecture Hours. 9 Lab Hours.**

An introduction to the practical nursing role with applications of basic nursing skills in lab, simulation, and clinical settings. Topics include: pharmacology, safety, nursing process, nursing history and law, and alterations in health.

Prerequisites: Admitted to the Practical Nursing Certificate program, high school biology and chemistry within the past 7 years, and STNA (minimum grade C for all courses)

**PN 102 Practical Nursing Concepts 2****10 Credits. 7 Lecture Hours. 9 Lab Hours.**

A continuation of PN 101, with applications of clinical reasoning and nursing skills in classroom, lab, simulation, and clinical settings. Topics include: mental health, and care of the patient with alterations in health across the lifespan.

Prerequisites: PN 101

**PN 103 Practical Nursing Concepts 3****6 Credits. 4 Lecture Hours. 6 Lab Hours.**

A continuation of PN 102 focusing on preparation for transition to the role of the practical nurse, with applications of nursing skills. Topics include: care of the patient with complex alterations in health, women's health/OB, and the professional role.

Prerequisites: PN 102

**PN 110 Foundations of Practical Nursing**

**2 Credits. 2 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hour.**

A course on the role of the practical nurse in the healthcare system. Topics include: nursing history, scope of practice and law, safety, administering medication safely, the health/wellness continuum, cultural sensitivity, geriatrics, nursing processes, and holistic nursing care.

Prerequisites: Admitted to the PN program, high school biology and chemistry within the past 7 years, and STNA (minimum grade C for all courses)

**PN 121 Alterations in Health 1**

**6 Credits. 6 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hour.**

A course on evidence-based nursing care of patients with common health problems across the lifespan. Topics include: medical/surgical nursing, obstetrics/women's health, basic pediatrics, the hospitalized patient, mental health, and administering medication safely.

Prerequisites: PN 110, BIO 151, MCH 100, PSY 110 and (ENG 101 or ENG REQC) minimum grade C for all

**PN 122 Alterations in Health 2**

**8 Credits. 8 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hour.**

A continuation of PN 121. Topics include: nursing care of individuals with alterations in health, gerontology, and end of life care.

Prerequisites: PN 121 and BIO 152 (minimum grade C for both), and PN 181

**PN 125 Academic Success Strategies for Practical Nursing**

**3 Credits. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hour.**

A course on strategies for academic success in the Practical Nursing Certificate program. Topics include: building skills in critical thinking, studying, mathematics, and test-taking; improving time management skills; and developing effective communication and conflict resolution skills.

Prerequisites: Instructor consent

**PN 180 Foundations of Practical Nursing Clinical**

**1 Credit. 0 Lecture Hour. 3 Lab Hours.**

Students apply theory and skills related to the role of the practical nurse in laboratory and clinical settings. Topics include: nursing processes, data collection, clinical reasoning, therapeutic communication, infection control, and evidence-based nursing care.

Prerequisites: Admitted to the PN program, high school biology and chemistry within the past 7 years, and STNA (minimum grade C for all courses)

**PN 181 Alterations in Health Clinical 1**

**2 Credits. 0 Lecture Hour. 6 Lab Hours.**

Students apply theory and skills related to evidence-based nursing care of patients with common health problems across the lifespan, in laboratory and clinical settings. Topics include: fluid and electrolytes, IV therapy, wound care, urinary catheters, tracheostomy care, and suctioning.

Prerequisites: PN 110, BIO 151, MCH 100, PSY 110 and (ENG 101 or ENG REQC), (minimum grade C for all), and PN 180

**PN 182 Alterations in Health Clinical 2**

**2 Credits. 0 Lecture Hour. 6 Lab Hours.**

A continuation of PN 181. Students apply theory and skills in laboratory and clinical settings. Topics include: IV therapy, and administering medication safely.

Prerequisites: PN 121 and BIO 152 (minimum grade C for both), and PN 181

**PN 185 Practical Nursing Role Transition**

**2 Credits. 2 Lecture Hours. 8 Lab Hours.**

Students apply practical nursing knowledge and skills while working with diverse groups of patients. Topics include: professionalism, and transition from student to practical nurse role. To pass the course, students must achieve a predetermined score on a national standardized exam.

Prerequisites: PN 122 (minimum grade C), and PN 182

**PN 198 First Year Special Topics in Practical Nursing**

**1-9 Credits. 0 Lecture Hour. 0 Lab Hour.**

A course on selected topics related to Practical Nursing, which gives students opportunities to study information not currently covered in other courses. Grades issued are A, B, C, D, or F.

Prerequisites: None

**PN 199 First Year Independent Project in Practical Nursing**

**1-9 Credits. 0 Lecture Hour. 0 Lab Hour.**

A project related to Practical Nursing that is completed by one or more students to meet specific educational goals. Projects must have prior approval and supervision by Practical Nursing faculty. Grades issued are Satisfactory or Unsatisfactory.

Prerequisites: Vary by section

**PN 298 Second Year Special Topics in Practical Nursing**

**1-9 Credits. 0 Lecture Hour. 0 Lab Hour.**

A course on selected topics related to Practical Nursing, which gives students opportunities to study information not currently covered in other courses. Grades issued are A, B, C, D, or F.

Prerequisites: None

**PN 299 Second Year Independent Project in Practical Nursing**

**1-9 Credits. 0 Lecture Hour. 0 Lab Hour.**

A project related to Practical Nursing that is completed by one or more students to meet specific educational goals. Projects must have prior approval and supervision by Practical Nursing faculty. Grades issued are Satisfactory or Unsatisfactory.

Prerequisites: Vary by section