

# **Practical Nursing**

### **Red Wing and Winona Campus**

#### **OVERVIEW**

Download nursing program information packets and application forms from our website: **www.southeastmn.edu/nursing** 

#### **Practical Nursing - Diploma**

The Practical Nursing major is designed to provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary to provide direct nursing care to patients in hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, home and community-based settings within the scope of practice of a Practical Nurse.

This challenging 3-semester program requires students to demonstrate competence in classroom theory, laboratory experiences, simulated events, and supervised clinical rotations. We recommend that students complete general education coursework prior to entering the nursing program.

The Practical Nursing program at Southeast is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) and approved by the Minnesota Board of Nursing.

#### **MAJORS WITHIN**

Practical Nursing Diploma 38 credits

Estimated costs for each major including tuition, books and supplies are posted on **southeastmn.edu** under Academics > Academic Programs by Degree.

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Program is focused on preparation for passing the NCLEX-PN® and successfully beginning a nursing career.

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A degree in nursing is a solid pathway to a sustaining career.

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Hospitals Acute Care
Clinics Hospice Care
Home Health Care Long Term Care

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# **Practical Nursing Program**

### Sample Program Plan

Please note that this is a sample program schedule. Your schedule may vary depending upon your needs, goals, and course availability. Please meet with your advisor to plan your schedule each semester.

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\* BIOL 2515 Anatomy and Physiology I and BIOL 2516 Anatomy and Physiology II may be used together in place of BIOL 1200 Human Biology. Educational programs to become a Registered Nurse generally require BIOL 2515 and BIOL 2516.

If you plan to apply to such a program in the future, consider taking these courses instead of BIOL 1200. BIOL 2516 Anatomy and Physiology II must be taken concurrently and successfully passed with Practical Nurse 1 in the first semester of the program.

Human Biology or Anatomy and Physiology I & II, ATI TEAS Exam and Certified Nursing Assistant are all requirements prior to acceptance into the nursing program. (See Practical Nursing Application Packet for details).

Note: During clinical rotations, nursing students may be required to travel up to a 100-mile radius from their home campus.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The Practical Nursing (PN) degree requires applicants to be on any state registry as a certified nursing assistant. The ASN program also requires applicant to take the ATI TEAS admission exam with an achievement level of Proficient or higher (58.7%).

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Course has prep course or pre-requisite requirement.