

PRACTICAL NURSING DIPLOMA

Purpose: The Practical Nursing Program provides students with the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary to provide direct nursing care to patients in hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, home health care, and community-based settings. The program is 39 credits and 2.5 semesters in length.

Upon successful completion of the program, students are eligible to apply for the National Council Licensure Examination-Practical Nursing (NCLEX-PN) and enter the profession of nursing as defined by Minnesota statutes (148.171 Subd. 14, Practice of Practical Nursing).

Award

<i>Practical Nursing Diploma</i>	<i>39 credits total</i>
<i>Nursing curriculum</i>	<i>27 credits</i>
<i>MnTC curriculum/General Education</i>	<i>12 credits</i>

RECOMMENDED FULL-TIME COURSE SEQUENCE

Not all courses are scheduled every semester. See course schedule: <https://eservices.minnstate.edu/registration/search/basic.html?campusid=306>.

Semester 1	1 cr	Semester 2	6 cr
PNM 1210 Success in Nursing	1 cr	PNM 1320 Family and Mental Health Concepts	6 cr
PNM 1250 Nursing Fundamentals in the Care of the Older Adult	7 cr	PNM 1340 Adult Nursing	6 cr
PNM 1200 Pharmacology for Practical Nursing	3 cr	PSYC 2618 General Psychology	4 cr
ENGL 1117 Reading and Writing Critically (Goal 1)	4 cr		
BIOL 1107 Fundamentals of Anatomy & Physiology	4 cr		
Total Credits	19	Total Credits	16
Semester 3			
PNM 1440 Integrated Clinical Application			4 cr
		Total Credits	4

Course descriptions can be found at: <https://www.rctc.edu/academics/courses/course-descriptions>.