

Practical Nursing Application Information

Important Dates

Application for Selection Due Date

The Practical Nursing program accepts students twice a year in the Spring and Fall Semesters. Application for program admission is due by the first day of the semester prior to program admission.

Start Date and Locations

The Practical Nursing Program is now accepting program applications at the following locations:

- Alma (Day Program) – Fall 2023
- Baxley (Day Program) – Fall 2023
- Camden (Day Program) – Fall 2023
- Golden Isles (Day Program) – Fall 2023
- Jesup (Day Program) – Spring 2024
- Waycross (Day Program) – Spring 2024
- Waycross (Evening Program) – Fall 2024

Selection Requirements

Health Care Assistant Technical Certificate Requirements

Students must complete the Health Care Assistant Certificate prior to starting the program. Students who have not completed the Health Care Assistant Certificate prior to application must be enrolled in the final courses of the program in order to be considered in the initial round of selections. Students who have earned a higher level credential in an allied health field may petition for waiver of this requirement.

All Requests for Waiver and/or Credit by Exam must be submitted and approved by the application deadline.

GPA Requirement

A GPA of 2.75 in required courses is required for entry in the Practical Nursing program. The highest grade earned in each course is used for GPA consideration.

Transfer Coursework

Students who have completed an occupational course at another institution more than seven years ago must pass a competency exam.

Selection Process

The GPA in selection courses identified are used as the basis for applicant rating; in case of ties, course grades will be compared in the order of courses shown below. Applicants must complete the five courses used for GPA consideration prior to the application deadline to be considered.

Selection Course GPA

The following course list is used for GPA ranking consideration.

- ALHS 1011 – Function and Structure of the Human Body
- ALHS 1090 – Medical Terminology
- MATH 1012 – Foundations of Mathematics
- ENGL 1010 – Foundations of English
- PSYC 1010 – Basic Psychology

Degree level coursework may be substituted for the above diploma courses.

Criminal Background and Drug Screenings

A criminal background check and drug screening IS NOT required for application into the program. If selected for the program, applicants must give their authorization and have a criminal background check and drug screen completed for the clinical sites. Failure to meet the requirements of the clinical site will result in the inability to complete clinical course work. This will be explained in detail during program orientation for the Practical Nursing Program.

Apply and Prepare

- Submit all official documentation to the CPTC Admissions Office by the due date
- Make sure your mailing address is up to date for program correspondence.
- Documents are only considered to be official if received in a sealed envelope from the sending institution.
- If space is available, students who complete GPA selection courses during the semester prior to the start of the program and meet GPA requirements may be considered.
- Student must attend program orientation. Dates and times will be communicated to applicants selected.
- Students will receive a letter of acceptance or declination from the program director. Letters are sent to the mailing address on record in admissions.
- Failure to confirm acceptance and attend program orientation will result in the student's seat in the program revoked and awarded to another applicant.

Information for Selectees

Completion of Required Courses

The courses calculated for selection ALHS 1011, ALHS 1090, MATH 1012, ENGL 1010, and PSYC 1010 require a C or better when grades post prior to the application due date. The highest grade earned for these classes will be included in the final GPA calculation for selection.

Financial Aid

All students seeking financial aid assistance should have financial aid requirements complete prior to the application due date. Completion of financial aid requirements can prevent monetary burdens at the time the program starts.

How to Apply

Please click the link below to apply for the Practical Nursing Program.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LPN_Fall_2023