

PRACTICAL NURSING (PNUR)

PNUR 115 Professional Practice 1

1 Credit

This theory course introduces the profession of Practical Nursing and the BC legislation that informs the practice. The history of nursing and, specifically, the evolution of Practical Nursing in the Canadian health care system are discussed. The philosophy and foundational concepts of the Provincial Practical Nursing Program (PPNP) explored.

Prerequisites

Admission to the Practical Nursing Program. Co-requisites: Professional Communication 1; Health Promotion 1; Variations in Health 1; Pharmacology 1; Integrated Nursing Practice 1.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 117 Professional Practice 2

0.5 Credits

This course examines the legislation influencing Practical Nursing practice with clients experiencing chronic illness and those in residential care settings. Specific professional issues such as responsibility, accountability, ethical practice and leadership relevant to the Practical Nursing role in residential care are explored. Critical thinking and decision making specific to the care of clients with the chronically health challenges and interprofessional practice are also addressed.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 125 Professional Communication 1

1 Credit

This course provides learners with the foundational knowledge for caring and professional communication in nursing. An experiential and self-reflective approach is used to develop self-awareness and interpersonal communication skills in the context of safe, competent and collaborative nursing practice. Topics include communication theory, the nurse-client relationship, therapeutic communication, cross-cultural communication and effective teamwork.

Prerequisites

Professional Practice I; Integrated Nursing Practice I; Variations in Health I; Health Promotion I; Pharmacology I.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 127 Professional Communications 2

1 Credit

This course provides learners with an opportunity to develop professional communication skills with older adults and clients requiring end-of-life care. Interprofessional communication knowledge and skills are further developed.

Prerequisites

Co-requisites: Professional Practice 2, Integrated Nursing Practice 2; Variations in Health 2; Health Promotion 2; Pharmacology 2.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 135 Variations in Health 1

1.5 Credits

This introductory course provides learners with the foundations of disease and illness across the lifespan. Learners will gain an understanding of pathophysiological alterations of body systems. Nursing management of disease and illness across the lifespan with an emphasis on interventions and treatment is also discussed. Cultural diversity in healing practices is explored as well as the incorporation of evidenced-informed practice.

Prerequisites

Admission to the Practical Nurse Program. Co-requisites: Professional Communication 1; Integrated Nursing Practice 1; Professional Practice 1, Health Promotion 1, Pharmacology 1.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 137 Variations in Health 2

1.5 Credits

This course focuses on pathophysiology as it relates to the aging process and selected chronic illnesses. The main focus is on the care of older adults experiencing a health challenge. Cultural diversity in healing practices are explored as well as evidence-informed research and practice.

Prerequisites

Successful completion of Level 1 courses and Consolidated Practice Experience 1. Co-requisites: Professional Communication 2; Integrated Nursing Practice 2; Professional Practice 2; Health Promotion 2; Pharmacology 2.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 144 Health Promotion 1

1 Credit

This course introduces the concepts of health promotion, the determinants of health and health inequities, and develops a beginning knowledge of normal growth and development. Topics include health enhancement, health protection, disease prevention and health restoration (recovery, care and support).

Prerequisites

Admission to the Practical Nurse Program. Co-requisites: Professional Communication 1; Integrated Nursing Practice 1; Professional Practice 1, Variations in Health 1, Pharmacology 1.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 146 Health Promotion 2

1 Credit

This course focuses on health promotion as it relates to the aging process, including exploring health promotion activities aimed at supporting clients to maintain their health. The concepts of health promotion, physical and mental wellness, normal aging changes and continued independence are examined.

Transfer Credits

Explore transfer credit opportunities by visiting the BC Transfer Guide (<http://www.bctransferguide.ca>)

PNUR 155 Integrated Nursing Practice 1

4.5 Credits

This course emphasizes the art and science of nursing, focusing on the development of basic nursing care and assessment. Learners will apply nursing knowledge through the practice of clinical decision making, nursing assessment and nursing interventions aimed at promoting health, independence and comfort. A variety of approaches (e.g., simulation) are used to assist learners to integrate theory from other Level 1 courses.

Prerequisites

Admission to the Practical Nurse Program. Co-requisites: Professional Communication 1; Professional Practice 1; Variations in Health 1, Health Promotion 1; Pharmacology 1

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 157 Integrated Nursing Practice 2

6 Credits

This course builds on the foundation of Level 1 and emphasizes the development of clinical decision making, nursing assessments and interventions to promote the health of older adults. A variety of approaches (e.g., simulation) will help learners to integrate theory from Level 1 and 2 courses to provide safe, competent and ethical nursing care with older adults.

Prerequisites

Successful completion of Level 1 courses with minimum grade of B- and Consolidated Practice Experience 1. Co-requisites: Professional Communication 2; Professional Practice 2; Variations in Health 2, Health Promotion 2; Pharmacology 2.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 165 Pharmacology 1

1 Credit

This introductory course examines the principles of pharmacology required to administer medications in a safe and professional manner. Medication administration requires the application of the nursing process for clinical decision making. Various routes of medication administration are introduced, and complementary, Indigenous and alternative remedies, and polypharmacy across the lifespan are also explored.

Prerequisites

Admission to the Practical Nurse Program. Co-requisites: Professional Communication 1; Integrated Nursing Practice 1; Variations in Health 1; Health Promotion 1; Professional Practice 1.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 167 Pharmacology 2

1 Credit

This course builds on Pharmacology I to increase learners' understanding of pharmacotherapeutics prescribed for illnesses that clients experience across the lifespan. Topics include drug classifications and links with common diseases/illnesses based on a body system approach and drug resistance.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 175 Consolidated Practice Experience 1

3 Credits

This first practice experience provides learners with an opportunity to integrate theory from Level 1 coursework into practice. Learners will gain experience in various settings with a focus on the healthy client. Learning the role of the Practical Nurse, personal care skills, organization of care, focused assessment, beginning medication administration and professional communication are emphasized.

Prerequisites

Professional Communication I min grade B-; Professional Practice I min grade B-; Variations in Health I min grade B-, Health Promotion I min grade B-; Pharmacology I min grade B-; Integrated Nursing Practice I. Step 2 documentation as listed in the admissions requirements for the program.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 177 Consolidated Practice Experience 2

4 Credits

This practice experience provides learners with the opportunity to integrate theory from Level 1 and 2 courses into practice. Learners will practice with aging clients and/or those with chronic illnesses in residential care settings. Medication administration, nursing care, organization, comprehensive health assessment, wound care and introduction to leadership are emphasized.

Prerequisites

Professional Communication 2 B-; Professional Practice 2 B-; Variations in Health 2 B-; Health Promotion 2 B-; Pharmacology 2 B-; Integrated Nursing Practice 2 B-. Step 2 documentation as listed in the admissions requirements for the program.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 215 Professional Practice 3

0.5 Credits

This course integrates the concepts from the previous professional practice course and introduces learners to practice in the community. The role of the Practical Nurse as leader is emphasized in interactions with clients and their families, and other health care providers.

Prerequisites

Successful completion of Level A coursework with a minimum grade of B- and successful completion of Consolidated Practice Experience A.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 217 Professional Practice 4

0.5 Credits

This course prepares learners for the role of the Practical Nurse in caring for clients with acute presentation of illness. Legislation influencing Practical Nursing practice, specific professional practice issues and ethical practice pertinent to Practical Nursing practice in acute care environments are explored. Practice issues that occur across the lifespan are considered. Collaborative practice with other health care team members and, specifically, the working partnership with RNs in the acute care setting are examined.

Prerequisites

Successful completion of Level 3 coursework with a minimum grade of B- and successful completion of Consolidated Practice Experience 3.

Transfer Credits

Explore transfer credit opportunities by visiting the BC Transfer Guide (<http://www.bctransferguide.ca>)

PNUR 225 Professional Communication 3

0.5 Credits

This course focuses on specific professional communication skills used with clients and care providers across the lifespan requiring care in the community.

Prerequisites

Successful completion of Level A coursework with a minimum grade of B- and successful completion of Consolidated Practice Experience A.

Transfer Credits

Explore transfer credit opportunities by visiting the BC Transfer Guide (<http://www.bctransferguide.ca>)

PNUR 227 Professional Communication 4

0.5 Credits

The focus of this course is the advancement of professional communication within the acute care setting caring for clients across the lifespan. The practice of collaboration with health care team members and clients is further developed.

Prerequisites

Successful completion of Level 3 coursework with a minimum grade of B- and successful completion of Consolidated Practice Experience 3.

Transfer Credits

Explore transfer credit opportunities by visiting the BC Transfer Guide (<http://www.bctransferguide.ca>)

PNUR 235 Variations in Health 3

1.5 Credits

This course focuses on the continuum of care and the development of knowledge related to health challenges managed in the community setting. Pathophysiology and nursing care of clients requiring home health care, rehabilitation and supportive services in the community are explored. AS well, cultural diversity in healing approaches are explored as along with the incorporation of evidence-informed research and practice.

Prerequisites

Successful completion of Level A coursework with a minimum grade of B- and successful completion of Consolidated Practice Experience A.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 237 Variations in Health 4

1.5 Credits

This course focuses on pathophysiology as it relates to acute disease and illness of clients across the lifespan, specifically the care of the client experiencing acute illness including nursing interventions and treatment options. Implications of the acute exacerbation of chronic illness are addressed. Cultural diversity in healing practices are explored as well as evidenced-informed research and practice.

Prerequisites

Successful completion of Level 3 coursework with a minimum grade of B- and successful completion of Consolidated Practice Experience 3.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 244 Health Promotion 3

1 Credit

This course focuses on health promotion as it relates to the continuum of care across the lifespan. Health promotion in the context of mental illness, physical and developmental disabilities and maternal/child health is highlighted. Normal growth and development from conception to middle adulthood is addressed.

Prerequisites

Successful completion of Level A coursework with a minimum grade of B- and successful completion of Consolidated Practice Experience A.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 245 Integrated Nursing Practice 3

4 Credits

This course builds on the theory and practice from Level A. Through a variety of approaches (e.g., simulation), learners will continue to develop knowledge and practice of comprehensive nursing assessment, planning for, and interventions with clients experiencing multiple health challenges in a variety of settings. The focus of this level is mental health, maternity and pediatrics.

Transfer Credits

Explore transfer credit opportunities by visiting the BC Transfer Guide (<http://www.bctransferguide.ca>)

PNUR 246 Health Promotion 4

1 Credit

This course focuses on health promotion in the context of caring for clients experiencing an acute exacerbation of chronic illness or an acute episode of illness. It examines health-promoting strategies during hospitalization to improve or help maintain clients' health status after discharge occurs. Also explored is how to prepare clients for discharge from care through teaching and learning of health-promoting strategies.

Prerequisites

Successful completion of Level 3 coursework with a minimum grade of B- and successful completion of Consolidated Practice Experience 3.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 247 Integrated Nursing Practice 4

6 Credits

This course emphasizes the development of nursing skills aimed at promoting health and healing with individuals experiencing acute health challenges across the lifespan. A variety of approaches (e.g., simulation) will help learners build on theory and practice from Levels A and 3 to integrate new knowledge and skills relevant to the acute care setting.

Prerequisites

Successful completion of Level 3 coursework with A minimum grade of B- and successful completion of Consolidated Practice Experience 3.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 275 Consolidated Practice Experience 3

2 Credits

This practice experience will introduce learners to community care settings and an opportunity to apply and adapt knowledge gained in Levels A and 3 within a continuum of care for clients across the lifespan. Learners may gain experience through simulation and in a variety of settings with a focus on concepts outlined in Integrated Nursing Practice 3.

Prerequisites

Successful completion of Level A coursework with a minimum grade of B- and successful completion of Consolidated Practice Experience A. Step 2 documentation as listed in the admissions requirements for the program.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 277 Consolidated Practice Experience 4

6 Credits

This practice experience provides learners with the opportunity to integrate theory from all courses into the role of the Practical Nurse in the acute care setting and other practice areas as appropriate. Learners will focus on clients with exacerbations of chronic illness and/or acute illness across the lifespan and will consolidate knowledge and skills such as post-operative care, surgical wound management, intravenous therapy, focused assessment and clinical decision making in acute care settings.

Prerequisites

Successful completion of Level B coursework with a minimum grade of B- and successful completion of Consolidated Practice Experience B. Step 2 documentation as listed in the admissions requirements for the program.

Transfer Credits

Explore transfer credit opportunities by visiting the BC Transfer Guide (<http://www.bctransferguide.ca>)

PNUR 287 Transition to Preceptorship

1 Credit

This course will prepare the learner for the final practice experience. Simulation experiences and self-directed learning will provide the learner with increased competence and confidence in their final practice experience.

Transfer Credits

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PNUR 297 Preceptorship

6 Credits

This final practice experience provides an opportunity for learners to demonstrate integration and consolidation of knowledge, skills, and abilities within the realities of the workplace, and become practice ready. Note: This experience may occur through a variety of practice experience models, including the preceptorship model, under the immediate supervision of a single, fully qualified and experienced LPN or RN or RPN and/or within the context of a collaborative learning environment as a participating team member.

Prerequisites

Successful completion of Level A, 3 and 4 coursework and successful completion of Consolidated Practice Experience A, 3, 4 and Transition to Preceptorship. Step 2 documentation as listed in the admissions requirements for the program.

Transfer Credits

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