

# Practical Nursing

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The Dickson Practical Nursing program at Central Piedmont Community College is a one year (three semesters) diploma program. The curriculum provides knowledge, skills, and strategies to integrate safety and quality into nursing care, practice in a dynamic environment, and meet individual needs that impact health, quality of life, and potential achievement. Coursework includes and builds upon the domains of individual, healthcare systems, and nursing practice. Content emphasized the practical nurse role is a dependent role under the supervision of the registered nurse (RN), a member of the interdisciplinary team, providing safe, individualized care while employing evidence-based practice, quality improvement, and informatics.

Graduates of this program are eligible to apply to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-PN), which is required for practice as a Practical Nurse. Employment opportunities are vast within the global healthcare system and may include positions within acute, chronic, extended, industrial, and community healthcare facilities.

For specific information about potential positions and wages in nursing employment, visit the Central Piedmont Career Coach website. The Dickson Practical Nursing program has the initial approval of the North Carolina Board of Nursing.

## No degrees are offered for Practical Nursing.

### Practical Nursing (D45660)

#### Diploma Awarded

A diploma in Practical Nursing is awarded by the college upon completion of this program.

#### Admissions

Completion of a high school diploma or equivalent is required as the foundation of a career in this area.

#### Contact Information

The Practical Nursing program is in the Nursing Division. For more information, call the Practical Nursing program Chair at 704.330.2722 x3129.

#### General Education Requirements

ENG 111	Writing and Inquiry	3.0
PSY 150	General Psychology	3.0

#### Major Requirements

NUR 101	Practical Nursing I	11.0
NUR 102	Practical Nursing II	10.0
NUR 103	Practical Nursing III	9.0
BIO 168	Anatomy and Physiology I	4.0
BIO 169	Anatomy and Physiology II	4.0
Total Credits		44

## No certificates are offered for Practical Nursing.