



Practical Nursing

Fall 2012-2013

The Green River Community College Practical Nursing Program is a four-quarter program beginning each Fall Quarter and concluding at the end of Summer Quarter. Program capacity is 30 to 40 students, which is determined by available faculty. All applications submitted by 4:00 pm on July 9, 2012 will be included in a random drawing which determines priority acceptance into the program.

It is recommended that the prospective applicant attend a general nursing information session sponsored by the Career and Advising Center. Call (253)833-9111 ext. 2641 for dates, times, and locations. Students working toward applying in the Practical Nursing Program should meet with the Practical Nursing Advisor by contacting ext. 2641 for an appointment **after** attending the information session.

Prerequisite courses: Applicants must have completed the following prerequisites at the time of application to the program. Most prerequisite courses must be taken within four years of starting the Practical Nursing Program and within five years of taking the State Board exam (see grid below.) Applicants must have a minimum grade of a 2.3 in *each prerequisite* to be eligible to apply. For the following prerequisites, students will only be able to repeat one course from the list one time. The repeat includes all withdrawals as well as grades below 2.3 and includes all colleges attended. *The only exception is:* when attempting to improve the Nelson Denny reading scores through reading courses.

Course Title	GRCC Course Number	Specific Information
Anatomy and Physiology 1 <i>5 credits</i>	AP 103 or BIOL& 241	The two-quarter sequence of A&P must be taken at the same level (100 or 200) from the same college. Must have been completed after 8/31/2008.
Anatomy and Physiology 2 <i>5 credits</i>	AP 104 or BIOL& 242	The two-quarter sequence of A&P must be taken at the same level (100 or 200) from the same college. Must have been completed after 8/31/2008.
Computation for Practical Nursing <i>3 credits</i>	ACOMP 100N	Must have been completed after 8/31/2008.
Medical Terminology <i>2 credits</i>	ENGL 108	Must have been completed after 8/31/2008.
Human Life Span, Growth, & Development or Lifespan Psychology <i>5 credits</i>	H SCI 150 or PSYC& 200	Must have been completed after 8/31/2008.
Nutrition <i>5 credits</i>	NUTR& 101	Must have been completed after 8/31/2008.
English Composition <i>5 credits</i>	ENGL 109 or ENGL& 101 or ENGL 126 or 127 or 128	minimum grade of a 2.3 No expiration date
Speech Communications <i>5 credits</i>	CMST 100 or CMST& 210 or 220 or 230	minimum grade of a 2.3 No expiration date

Nelson Denny Reading Assessment: ALL applicants applying to the Practical Nursing Program must complete a Nelson Denny Reading Test. Applicants are required to achieve a grade equivalent of 10 as scored by the Nelson Denny Reading Test; scores must be included with the application. Individuals who do not achieve the appropriate score will be required to take an additional reading course prior to being allowed to retake the Nelson Denny. The reading portion of the COMPASS TEST is not used to satisfy this requirement. The Nelson Denny is available at the Assessment and Testing Center on a walk-in basis. For more information, call 253-833-9111 ext. 2652.

Transfer Applicants: Students transferring from other colleges must first complete a Green River Community College admissions application online at www.greenriver.edu. If transfer credits are to be considered, official transcripts in their school sealed envelope and a "[Transcript Evaluation Request](#)" form must be submitted to Enrollment Services prior to applying to the Practical Nursing Program. *Unofficial Transcripts from all colleges attended must also be submitted with the Practical Nursing application.* Students transferring from other nursing programs must have transcripts evaluated by Nursing Faculty (these applicants will be considered for admission on a space available basis).

High School Diploma or GED: Applicants must either have a high school diploma or GED. Applicants must submit an official high school transcript or an official GED transcript in the application packet. Applicants who need to order high school transcripts from other countries must allow extra time for *transcripts to be translated into English and evaluated by a third party.*

Practical Nursing Orientation: Applicants must attend a Practical Nursing Orientation given by the Nursing Faculty (on the first Monday of each month, October through June, except on non-class days, from 4:00p to 5:00p in SC-137) prior to submitting the application. The orientation must have been attended within a calendar year of application to the program. The faculty will send the attendance roster from the orientation to the Career and Advising Center. Please note they are not offered during the Summer Quarter, and applicants do not need to sign up in advance.

Background Checks: Once admitted to the Practical Nursing Program, a Certified Background check of each student will be required to be in compliance with the Child/Adult Abuse Information Act (RCW 43.43.840 and 43.43.842). Each student is required to participate in an investigation for criminal history prior to entry into the program. This clearance check must be free of any violations or convictions, including domestic violence. The check will be done one month prior to the start of the program. Students must have a clear record to be assigned to Community Lab courses for Patient/Client care. Community Lab courses include but are not limited to: residential care, long term care, drop-in medical clinics, school district health care screening, health room experience, and medical centers. A criminal record may prohibit a student from participation in the Community Lab/clinical courses.

Application Process for 2012-2013

Note: Students assume all responsibility for reading and following these instructions. There will be no exceptions to the admission process.

Mailed applications must be received by **4:00 pm on July 9, 2012.** **HAND DELIVERED APPLICATIONS ARE NOT ACCEPTED.** Plan on mailing the application to:

Green River Community College
c/o: Admission/Practical Nursing Application
12401 SE 320th St.
Auburn, WA. 98092-3622

Late, incomplete, or hand delivered applications are DENIED!

Applications will be accepted June 18 until July 9, 2012 at 4:00pm. Applicants will be notified of acceptance into the program by July 23, 2012.

After Acceptance: Applicants will need to submit proof of insurance and immunizations to the Nursing Faculty for review. Students without these documents will be dropped from the program.

For questions or concerns regarding the 2012-2013 Practical Nursing Application Process, please contact the Health Sciences Advisor in the **Career and Advising Center** at (253)833-9111 ext. 2641.

Checklist

Mail the applications in a **white 9x12 envelope**.

Failure to follow directions can put your application at risk.

Before You Turn in the Application:

- Complete the required prerequisite courses with a 2.3 or higher
- Submit **all** official transcripts for non-GRCC courses to Enrollment Services
- Submit [Transcript Evaluation Request](#) form to Enrollment Services if you submit official transcripts
- Attend a Practical Nursing Orientation- *different from the Information Sessions put on by advising staff*

What must be in Your Application Packet (in this order):

- Practical Nursing Program Application Form (**Pg. 4**)
- Signed Washington State Patrol and DSHS clearance form (**Pg. 5 and 6**)
- Copy of valid photo ID
- ALL UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS (GRCC included if attended) with pre-requisites highlighted**—*Even though you may have turned in official transcripts, you still need to turn the unofficial(s) from **EVERY** college attended with the packet. Unofficial transcripts would include opened or copied official transcripts or printed transcripts from the school's website.*
- Copy of your Nelson Denny scores
- Proof of high school completion (official transcript) **OR** GED (official GED certificate or transcript)

Please Do Not:

- Use **report covers** or **folders** – the application must be mailed in a **white 9x12 envelope**.
- Attempt to turn in documentation before June 18 or after submitting the application



Practical Nursing Application Form

COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Fall 2012-2013

Accepted starting June 18, 2012

Due July 9, 2012

NAME: _____ GRCC Student Number: aaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa
(You must have a GRCC Student Number in order to apply.)

PHONE: _____ ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

(All communication with applicants will be done via email. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure the email address is current and communication from @greenriver.edu is not blocked. We recommend using your Green River Student Email.)

SIGNATURES: By signing this, I verify that this application is accurate and complete as of this date.

STUDENT: _____ DATE: _____

FACULTY ADVISOR: _____ DATE: _____
(Signed after application submission)

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WASHINGTON STATE PATROL

REQUEST FOR CRIMINAL HISTORY INFORMATION

CHILD/ADULT ABUSE INFORMATION ACT

RCW 43.43.830 THROUGH 43.43.845

All students who will be placed in practicum education sites for Green River Community College's health occupation programs are requested to complete the below Washington State Patrol Abuse Clearance section. The purpose of this abuse clearance is to assure the safety and well-being of patients, clients and children who come into contact with students. Practicum education sites are expecting that GRCC students will not pose undue risks to the safety of patients/children.

The Washington State Patrol abuse clearance request is for the following: "Child/Adult Abuse Information: Response limited to convictions against children or other persons, dependency proceedings, abuse of vulnerable adults, and DOL disciplinary board final decisions and any subsequent criminal charges associated with the conduct that is the subject of the disciplinary board final decision". Please be aware that information on other felony and misdemeanor convictions may be reported from the state patrol office. This abuse clearance is used only for the purpose of practicum education placement determination and further dissemination or use of the record is prohibited.

As stated earlier, all students are **required** to complete this form. Any student choosing not to complete this process must be aware that the ability of faculty to arrange practicum education experiences will be severely restricted and in some instances impossible. A large number of facilities (all of them for nursing) require proof of this clearance before students are allowed to participate in any practicum activities.

I have read and understand this information about the Washington State Patrol Abuse Clearance.

Please attach a copy of your driver's license for identification verification.

Student's Signature and Date

PLEASE PRINT

Student's Name: _____
Last, First, Middle

Alias/Maiden Name: _____

Social Security Number: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/19____

