

Practical Nursing Certificate of Achievement (36-38 credits) For Students Seeking Admission for the Fall 2027 Program

The Limited Entry Office will be responsible for managing the application process. The selection of students is done by an admissions committee. Qualified applicants must:

- Complete a Health Programs Orientation, meet with a Health Programs Advisor within 2 years of application deadline, and complete a Limited Entry Workshop within 2 years of application deadline (<https://www.csn.edu/education-and-training/limited-entry-admission>)
- Have successfully completed an accredited Nursing Assistant (CNA) program. **IMPORTANT:** Nevada NA certification must be active or obtained by the end of the program's first semester.
- Have a high school or equivalent (e.g., GED, HiSet, TASC, US state, or US territory) transcript showing institution name and date of graduation; and/or transcript for Associate's degree (or higher) showing degree conferred. Note: International (non-US) transcripts must be evaluated through a NACES member organization (<https://www.naces.org/members>).
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50 for all program prerequisites.
- Have a Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) Total Score of 60% or higher, TEAS scores are valid for six (6) years, and an unlimited number of attempts are permitted.

Applicants will be ranked and selected using a point system through which points will be awarded. Please see attached Selection Criteria sheet (also available at: <https://www.csn.edu/practical-nursing-program>).

PROGRAM PREREQUISITE COURSES: These are courses that must be completed before a student is considered eligible for entry into the Program. **FOR SELECTION PURPOSES, PREREQUISITE COURSES FOR LIMITED ENTRY PROGRAMS MAY BE ATTEMPTED THREE TIMES. ALL ATTEMPTS INCLUDE WITHDRAWALS, AUDITS AND GRADES. THE HIGHEST GRADE WILL BE USED FOR THE GPA CALCULATION.**

Course	Cr	Gen Ed Req.	Tech Prep	Min. Grade
ENG 100, 101, 102, 110, 113 or 114	3-5	English	No	C
MATH 120, 120E or above (except Math 122 & 123)	3	Math	No	C
HHP 123*	4	Science	Yes	C
HHP 124**	1	Science	Yes	C
Total	11-13			

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

*BIOL 223 can be used in lieu of HHP 123B
 **BIOL 224 can be used in lieu of HHP 124B
NOTE: Substitution Requests will be needed for graduation purposes but **not** for application to program

•Biology courses with online labs will not be accepted. Exception: Those taken from NSHE institutions will be accepted

•Science courses (HHP 123, HHP 124, BIOL 223, BIOL 224) require a minimum grade of "C" and no points are awarded for science courses older than seven years.

•BIOL 223 & BIOL 224 is required for the LPN to RN Bridge program

See program outcomes at <https://www.csn.edu/practical-nursing-program>

IMPORTANT POINTS TO REMEMBER:

- Selection Occurs: Twice a year
- Program Begins: Fall 2027
- TEAS results are valid for six (6) years
- Application Deadline: **March 1, 2027**
- Maximum number of students admitted: **56**
- Limited Entry Application Fee: **\$20 per application**
- Instruction will be at the CSN West Charleston, Henderson, &/or North Las Vegas campus
- Students must be computer literate for success in the program
- Please refer to Essential Functions document
- Please refer to Criminal Convictions document

Credit/Class Instructional Ratio for Nursing Courses:

- 1 credit hour lecture = 1 hour of instruction
- 1 credit hour lab = 3 hours of instruction
- 1 credit hour clinical = 1 hour of instruction

PROGRAM COURSES: These are specialized courses within a health-discipline and are restricted to students accepted into the program. Program courses are subject to revision and will not impact program admission.

<i>1st Semester (Fall)</i>	<i>2nd Semester (Spring)</i>
PN 103B.....2 cr Gerontological Health Care	PN 106B.....3 cr Family Nursing.
PN 104B.....5 cr Practical Nursing Fundamentals	PN 108B.....4 cr Practical Nursing II
PN 105B.....5 cr Practical Nursing I	PN 110B.....4 cr Practical Nursing Seminar/Management Concepts
PN 125B.....2 cr Pharmacology for Practical Nursing	
Total.....14 cr	Total.....11 cr
	Total Program Credits: 25