Practical Nursing (PN) Program

APPLICATION FOR Spring 2016

MUELLER CAMPUS – VERO BEACH
Part-time Program

Application Deadline: September 10, 2015
Pay & Take NLN Pre-Entrance Exam by: September 10, 2015

Accepted & Alternate Students will be required to attend a mandatory orientation TBA

For more information
IRSC Information Call Center
1-866-792-4772

www.irsc.edu
IRSC OVERVIEW

INDIAN RIVER STATE COLLEGE is a public, comprehensive college, ranked as one of the best in the nation for its commitment to student success. The College is a national Top Ten Finalist for the prestigious Aspen Prize and ranked as the 9th top public regional college in the South by *U.S. News and World Report*. Over 30,000 people enroll in IRSC courses each year, attracted by its quality, convenience and affordable tuition. IRSC was designated as the 4th Most Affordable College in the country by the U.S. Department of Education two years in a row, and IRSC students benefit from many scholarship and financial aid opportunities.

Every aspect of IRSC is focused on helping students succeed with small classes, an array of student support services, convenient campuses, and online courses. IRSC has been selected as an *Achieving the Dream™* college and recognized for its support of students from enrollment to employment.

IRSC offers over 150 programs, including Bachelor’s degrees, Associate in Arts degrees for continuing education at IRSC or a university, Associate in Science degrees for in-demand careers after two years of training, short-term certificate programs and Quick Job Training.

EE/EO STATEMENT

Indian River State College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, ethnicity, sex, religion, age, disability, sexual orientation, marital status, veteran status or genetic information in its programs and activities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding non-discrimination policies:

Adriene B. Jefferson  
Dean of Minority Affairs/Equity Officer/Title IX Coordinator  
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(772) 462-7606

LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE

Licensed Practical Nurses are trained to perform both simple and complex treatments. They help care for sick, injured and handicapped people in hospitals, clinics, doctor’s offices and private homes. LPNs work under the direction of doctors and registered nurses, provide bedside patient care and help examine and treat patients. They bathe, dress, feed patients and record their food and liquid intake and output. LPNs give medication, observe patients and report adverse reactions to medicine.

PRACTICAL NURSING

The Practical Nursing program at Indian River State College is a certificate program leading to the opportunity to apply for the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN). Students receive an excellent foundation in nursing including intensive classroom instruction and supervised clinical experiences in local health agencies. The PN program is offered at the Main Campus as a one-year program with students attending classes approximately 35 hours per week. Classes meet from five to ten hours per day. At the Mueller and Dixon Hendry campuses, the PN program is offered as a two-year evening/weekend program; at the Chastain Campus, it is offered as a two-year daytime program with students attending classes approximately twenty hours per week. An advanced placement option is available for Florida Certified Nurse Assistants. Documentation of knowledge and skill will be required for advanced placement.
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16. Health Science Substance Abuse Regulation
PRACTICAL NURSING PROGRAM APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Completion of this checklist alone does not guarantee acceptance to the Practical Nursing program. Students are selected on a competitive basis. Completion of the checklist is the applicant’s responsibility. Students should complete the checklist in order. All necessary forms are in the back of this booklet. Contact the Nursing Department at (772) 462-7570 for more information.

1. Must be 18 years of age prior to first day of class.
2. Meet with an academic advisor at any campus to review program requirements and complete an Indian River State College Application for Admission at www.irsc.edu.
3. College admissions must be complete by application deadline.
4. Attend a Nursing Information session – offered every 3rd Thursday at 4:00 p.m. – H-building, Room 106, Main Campus, by application deadline date.
5. Complete the Health Science Program Application located in the back of this book and pay the fee at the Cashiers Window on Main Campus or at any IRSCC Campus (application fees are non-transferable and non-refundable) by deadline date.
6. Complete Student Advisement Form with Educational Services. Applicants must forward a completed form to the Health Science Division prior to the application deadline date.
7. Pay NLN testing fee and take computerized NLN exam at the IRSC Main Campus in Fort Pierce, W-109 (772-462-7585). Test fees are non-refundable and non-transferable. Students must provide a valid photo ID, receipt of Application Fee and receipt of NLN testing fee before taking the computerized test. Results of the exam will be given to the student at the end of the exam. Applicants must achieve a minimum 100-point overall composite score, but that does not guarantee admission to the program (see Applicant Review), on the composite score on the NLN exam. Plan in advance to take the test, as seating may be limited. (Exam results are valid for one year and may only be taken once every six months. Scores will not be valid if taken before the six months waiting period.

It is recommended that you:

a. Complete the IRSC Nursing Assistant course (HCP V410C) prior to beginning the Practical Nursing program.

b. Complete the Body Structure and Function course (HSC V540) prior to beginning the Practical Nursing program.

All applicants will be notified of their status approximately six to eight weeks after the deadline date.
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INTRODUCTION

The Practical Nursing program is offered through the IRSC Health Science Division. Applicants should carefully review the application procedures outlined in this booklet. Admission to the Practical Nursing program is on a selective admission basis. It is the applicant’s responsibility to ensure that the application process is complete.

NOTE: If at any time during the application process you have a change of address or need to update other personal information, submit this information to the Education Services Division and to Health Science Department by supplying original documentation to be copied (i.e. driver license or adoption papers) in person or at any IRSC campus. This will expedite notification of acceptance status.

INFORMATION SESSIONS

Students interested in applying to any health science program should plan to attend the appropriate, regularly scheduled, program information session for direction and assistance with the application process. The information session addresses questions or concerns prospective applicants may have. The sessions also assist students in understanding how to achieve a “qualified” status. Students should plan to attend an information session prior to the application deadline date. No reservations or fees are required to attend.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Candidates who wish to be considered for the part-time Practical Nursing program at Indian River State College must complete the procedures listed on Page 1 “Application Checklist”. It is the student’s responsibility to see that admission requirements are met. No notices will be sent. Additional program specifics are outlined in this booklet.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Candidates who wish to be considered for the part-time Practical Nursing program at Indian River State College must complete checklist items on page 1 and carefully review the procedures outlined in this booklet. It is the student's responsibility to see that admission requirements are met. No notices will be sent. Additional program specifics are outlined in this booklet.
PROCESS FOR APPLYING

1. Go to the IRSC website at www.irsc.edu
2. Click Programs & Careers
3. Click Health Science Programs
4. Click Practical Nurse (LPN)
5. Click Program Application Packet
6. Print packet
7. Take the Application on Page 13 to an IRSC Campus and submit with the $30 fee.

All applicants will be notified of their status after the deadline date via RiverMail. No information is available by telephone. To finalize acceptance, once notified of provisional acceptance, students will be required to have a completed IRSC physical examination form, a negative drug screen report and a FDLE background check prior to the first day of class.

PRE-ADMISSION ADVISEMENT

Pre-advisement is required for admission to the Practical Nursing program. Pre-advisement includes information on the application process, admissions requirements, program guidance and counseling, financial aid and time management. (See Student Advisement form in back of booklet.)

APPLICATION DEADLINE DATE

| Application Deadline: | Thursday | September 10, 2015 |

PRE-ADMISSION TESTING/ENTRANCE TESTING

The Practical Nursing NLN Entrance Examination
Register and pay for NLN entrance exam by the application deadline date. The Practical Nursing program requires applicants to demonstrate their competency in math, reading, language and science on a national exam (NLN) given at IRSC. The result of this testing is a component of the admissions process. Study guides and books are available in the campus and area bookstores to help in preparation for this examination.

Free review sessions are also available for the NLN Pre Entrance Exam. Check the Nursing website for the summer schedule.

A picture ID is required for admission to test.
Required for the Practical Nursing (PN) program, the examination includes the following:

1) **Verbal Ability** - tests general vocabulary and verbal reasoning skills.
2) **Numerical Ability** - covers basic arithmetic, percentages and ratios, fundamental algebra and word problems. Students are tested on comprehension and application of quantitative concepts and relationships.
3) **Science** - covers principles of biology, chemistry, physical sciences and health.
4) **Reading** - covers comprehension of natural science and social science reading passages.

The length of the PN Entrance examination is approximately 3¾-4 hours with one silent stretch break.

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**ENTRANCE EXAM SCORES ARE VALID FOR ONE YEAR ONLY (ONE APPLICANT REVIEW PROCESS) AND MAY ONLY BE TAKEN ONCE EVERY SIX MONTHS. SCORES WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED IF TAKEN BEFORE SIX MONTH WAITING PERIOD.**

See inside back cover for Entrance Exam Study Guide.

**ASSESSMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT COMPUTERIZED TESTING SCHEDULE**

Listed below is the schedule for the computerized tests for the NLN Pre-Entrance Exam (National League of Nursing). The Nursing Pre-Entrance Exam (NLN) is administered only on the Main Campus in Fort Pierce. **Once you have paid your fee at any IRSC campus, you may report to the Assessment Center at the Main Campus to take your test. You must bring your validated cashier's receipt and a photo ID to the Assessment Center.** Testing hours are listed below. Test fees are non-refundable and non-transferable. Restrictions apply to the number of times you may test. See the Assessment Center webpage for specific details. NLN scores will not be accepted if taken before the six month waiting period. NLN Testing may be limited in the week prior to the application deadline. Plan to take the test early.

**COMPUTERIZED TESTING DATES AND TIMES**

**NLN Pre-Entrance Exam June 1 - September 10, 2015**

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<td>THURSDAY</td>
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Student will receive scores at the completion of the NLN. Applicants must achieve a minimum of 100-point overall score of the NLN.
APPLICANT REVIEW

No documentation will be considered after the Application Deadline date. Preference for admissions to the Practical Nursing program will be given to residents of the four-county service district of Indian River State College (St. Lucie, Martin, Indian River and Okeechobee counties), and to IRSC Nursing Assistant course completers.

Final consideration for admission into the Practical Nursing program will be based upon the Health Science Admissions Committee review and scoring of the following criteria:

1) IRSC Admission Status must be complete.
2) Entrance Test Scores (Minimum of 100-point overall composite score).
3) Applicant must be 18 years of age prior to the first day of class.

All of the above criteria must be met or the applicant file will not be reviewed and scored.

Students will be notified six to eight weeks after the deadline dates through college RiverMail.

Note: Meeting admission criteria does not guarantee acceptance into the program. Review program application checklist on page 1. Students are selected on a competitive basis.

ACCEPTANCE INTO PROGRAM

Those applicants who have met minimum acceptable scores will be notified by the Health Science Division of their provisional acceptance into the program through RiverMail. Final acceptance into the program is contingent upon satisfactory results from a physical examination, CPR certification, drug screen and Federal Bureau of Investigation National Background checks (FBI/NBC). Information on obtaining these tests/reports will be provided in the provisional acceptance notification package. Details regarding these final requirements are outline below.

DRUG AND BACKGROUND CHECK

Refer to the IRSC website at www.irsc.edu. Click Programs and Careers and then Health Science Programs. In the Resources box, select Drug/Background Checks.
Additional criminal background checks may be required by health care agencies.

The Florida Board of Nursing requires additional criminal checks on all applicants for licensure and any nursing licensure applicant who has an arrest record to present those records. The Florida Board of Nursing is the state agency authorized to issue nursing licenses. As part of the licensure application process, graduates will be required to submit a signed statement verifying compliance with the Agency for Health Care Administration Florida Board of Nursing Rule 64 B 9-3.002 which states:

- Prior to application for examination, convicted felons must obtain a restoration of their civil rights or they are ineligible to sit for the examination.
- If an applicant has been convicted of any offense other than minor traffic violations, the applicant shall submit arrest and court records stating the nature of the offense and final disposition of the case so that a determination can be made by the Board whether the offense relates to the practice of nursing or the ability to practice nursing. Any convicted felons must submit proof of restoration of civil rights or they are ineligible for licensure.

Criminal background checks, drug screenings, credit checks, professional license checks and/or proof of U.S. citizenship may also be required after graduation by examination boards, state licensing boards and employing agencies. Pending the outcome, a graduate may be disqualified from examination eligibility, state licensure and/or employment.

The Nursing Department does not answer specific questions about criminal records.

The Nursing Department cannot answer specific licensing questions. Licensure is the exclusive right and responsibility of the State Board of Nursing. Students must satisfy the requirements of the statutes, rules and regulations, independently of any college or school requirements for graduation.

An additional barrier to admission may be the OIG Exclusion list. All applicants must prove clearance upon admission and during enrollment in the Nursing program. The office of the Inspector General (OIG) was established in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to identify and eliminate fraud, waste, and abuse in the Department’s programs and to promote efficiency and economy in Departmental operations. You can check your status at http://exclusions.oig.hhs.gov/.
HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

Refer to the IRSC Health Science Division Student Handbook.

Health Insurance

All students must have health insurance coverage at all times while in the program. If a student does not have independent health insurance coverage, they can obtain coverage, at their own expense, through the American Association of Community Colleges. Information can be obtained from the IRSC Health and Wellness Center. Students must provide the program director with proof of insurance prior to entering the program and must have proof of insurance readily available at all times while in the program. Failure to provide immediate proof of health insurance upon request may result in withdrawal from the program.

NON-ACCEPTANCE INTO PROGRAM

Applicants who do not qualify for the program will be notified through college RiverMail and should remediate (call the ASC at (772) 462-7585 for remediation information) or call the Nursing Department at (772) 462-7570 for clarification on how to strengthen their application.

PROGRAM EXPENSES

Visit www.irsc.edu. Click Programs & Careers and then Health Science Programs. Select PN Program. In the Application Book box, select Program Expenses.

FINANCIAL AID/SCHOLARSHIPS

Financial Aid (grants, loans, work-study) is available to those who qualify. Complete the FAFSA and IRSC Supplemental Financial Aid Application to determine eligibility. For more information, contact the IRSC Financial Aid Office at (772) 462-7450 or toll-free at 1-866-900-3243 (FAID).

Scholarships designated for students in the Health Science programs may also be available. Complete the IRSC “STARS” ONLINE Scholarship Application, available at www.irscfoundation.org. The application deadline for all IRSC Health Science Scholarships is in May. See “STARS” for exact deadline date for each scholarship.

For more information about the scholarships, contact the IRSC Foundation office at (772) 462-4786, or toll-free at 1-866-792-4772, ext. 4786.
Nursing involves the provision of direct care for individuals and is characterized by the application of knowledge in the skilful performance of nursing functions. Therefore, in order to be considered for admissions or be retained in the program after admission, all students must be able to demonstrate the following abilities:

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<td>Critical Thinking/</td>
<td>Critical thinking ability sufficient for clinical judgment. Ability to</td>
<td>Identify cause-effect relationships in clinical situations, develop nursing care plans and display good coping</td>
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<td>Coping</td>
<td>make fast decisions in stressful situations in a professional manner.</td>
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<td>Interpersonal</td>
<td>Interpersonal abilities sufficient to interact with individuals, families</td>
<td>Establish rapport with patients/clients and colleagues.</td>
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<td>and groups from a variety of social, emotional, cultural and intellectual backgrounds.</td>
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<td>Communication</td>
<td>Communication abilities sufficient for interaction with others in verbal</td>
<td>Explain treatment procedures, initiate health teaching, document and interpret nursing actions and patient/client</td>
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<td>and written form.</td>
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<td>Mobility</td>
<td>Physical abilities sufficient to move from room to room and maneuver in small spaces.</td>
<td>Move around in patient rooms, work spaces, and treatment areas; administer cardiopulmonary procedures.</td>
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<td>Motor Skills</td>
<td>Gross and fine motor abilities sufficient to provide safe and effective</td>
<td>Calibrate and use equipment; position patients/clients.</td>
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<td>nursing care.</td>
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<td>Hearing</td>
<td>Auditory ability sufficient to monitor and assess health needs.</td>
<td>Hear blood pressure accurately, hear alarms, emergency signals, auscultatory sounds, and cries for help.</td>
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<td>Tactile</td>
<td>Tactile ability sufficient for physical assessment.</td>
<td>Perform palpation, functions of physical examination and/or those related to therapeutic intervention, e.g. sense temperature change, assess peripheral pulses, and insert a catheter.</td>
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<td>Strength/Stamina</td>
<td>Sufficient stamina to provide patient care and related responsibilities</td>
<td>Adapt to shift work. Lift, without restrictions, from standing position.</td>
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<td>for extended periods of time (8-12 hours).</td>
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* Adapted from the Board of Directors of the Southern Council on Collegiate Education for Nursing (SCCEN) guidelines for Nursing Education programs.

**LATEX ADVISORY:** Latex-based products are used in all health care facilities.
PRACTICAL NURSING
(1350 clock-hours)
SELECTIVE ADMISSION

PRACTICAL NURSING (PN) PROGRAM CURRICULUM

This program is designed to prepare the student for a career as a Licensed Practical Nurse.

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<td>PRN V373C</td>
<td>Practical Nursing Medical Surgical I</td>
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<td>PRN V374C</td>
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<td>Transition to Graduate Practical Nurse</td>
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PRACTICAL NURSING (PN) ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM CURRICULUM*

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*The Advanced Placement option for Practical Nursing is designed for healthcare providers who have completed a 165-hour Florida Department of Education Nursing Assistant approved course. Review requirements are available at the required Nursing Information Sessions.

Previous training, competency of skills and work verification need to be documented in the nursing department, along with additional criteria for advanced placement.

CLASS SCHEDULE

The students admitted to the part-time PN program on the Mueller Campus will attend classes for a 24 month schedule of classes. Students attend class approximately 20 hours per week and can expect to have an additional ten or more hours of homework each week. Attendance is required at all class sessions. Classes are held Monday and Wednesday evenings 5:00 – 10:00 p.m., Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Clinical days are 6:45 a.m. and end at 3:15 p.m. Friday or Saturday.

Class will not meet during regularly scheduled college holidays and breaks. In addition to the scheduled class periods, students will be assigned by their faculty to complete a specified number of independent assignments during the program. During the last several weeks of the PN program, all students are assigned to a final clinical experience called “practicum” which can involve forty hours per week of clinicals on the daytime shift.
ACADEMIC INTEGRITY AND PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

Refer to the IRSC Health Science Division Student Handbook.

DISCIPLINARY PROCESS FOR HEALTH SCIENCE STUDENTS

Refer to the IRSC Health Science Division Student Handbook.
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Health Science Program Application
Selective Admissions - Program Requires Entrance Exam
PRACTICAL NURSING
MUELLER CAMPUS – VERO BEACH
Spring 2016
(Deadline: September 10, 2015)

INSTRUCTIONS - NO APPLICATION WILL BE CONSIDERED UNLESS THE FOLLOWING ARE COMPLETED:
All documents required by the Health Science Department must be submitted by appropriate deadline dates to the Admissions Office in order to be given consideration for selective admission into a Health Science program.

1. Complete an Indian River State College Application for Admission online at www.irsc.edu.
2. Request former school and/or college(s) to forward transcript(s) to Admissions Office at Indian River State College.
3. Complete a separate application (print clearly in ink or type), and return it with a non-refundable/non-transferable application fee for each program for which you are applying. Submit to the Cashier at the Main Campus (W-Building) or any IRSC campus.
4. Register for, pay for and take the required Entrance Exam.

Student ID#: __________________________ Date of Birth __________________________
Name ________________________________________________________________
   Last (print) __________ First __________ M.I. and/or Maiden Name __________
Email address: __________________________________________________________
List any other names under which record of your education, tests or work experience may be recorded:
Name ________________________________________________________________
   Last (print) __________ First __________ M.I. __________
Mailing Address _________________________________________________________
   Number and Street ___________________ City __________ State __________ Zip __________
Home Phone (_________ ) __________ Cell Phone/Other (_________ ) __________

Ethnic Origin: (Required by U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare)
☐ 1. White          ☐ 3. Asian or Pacific Islander          ☐ 5. Hispanic
☐ 2. American Indian or Alaskan Native  ☐ 4. Black, non-Hispanic
Are you currently enrolled as a Senior in high school? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Do you have a degree? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, which type? __________________________

ADVANCED PLACEMENT OPTION

Place of Employment ___________________________________________ Job Title ___________________________________________

Have you completed the IRSC CNA Course? Yes _____ No _____ Date of Completion __________________________

Attach documentation of 2000 hours of work experience as a CNA with this application

Attached a certified copy of 165 hour Nursing Assistant Course approved by Florida Department of Education

Attach copy of proof of 3 hour HIV/Bloodbourne Pathogen course completion.

DISCLAIMER: I have reviewed the program requirements outlined in the Health Science Program Admission Booklet and understand that this does not guarantee admission into a program. I certify that the above information is correct, and I understand that falsification of information could lead to my dismissal if accepted into the program.

Revised 4/13

STUDENT SIGNATURE __________________________ DATE __________

Receipt Date __________________________

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INDIAN RIVER STATE COLLEGE
STUDENT ADVISEMENT FORM

PRACTICAL NURSING SPRING 2016
MUELLER CAMPUS

Name of Student: __________________________ Date: __________________________

PRINT NAME

Student ID# __________________________________________

All applicants must have this student advisement form completed by an Educational Service staff member or branch campus counselor or advisor by the application deadline date.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Any NO responses to the questions below will prevent your application from being considered for selection into the program.

** HAVE THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS BEEN MET? **

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<td>Submitted Health Science Application</td>
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<td>*Do not forward this Student Advisement Form to Health Sciences until response to this item is YES.</td>
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<td>Register for and take PN Entrance Exam</td>
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<td>You must specify the PN Exam when submitting receipts for testing.</td>
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<td>Aware of Criminal Background Check/Drug Screen/ Physical</td>
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<td>process</td>
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In addition to the list above, student has had the opportunity to discuss all related topics outlined in the Practical Nursing Application booklet including program expenses, Financial Aid opportunities, time commitment to the program, etc.

Educational Services Staff: ______________________________________________ /

Print Name / Signature

Student Signature

Parent Signature (if applicant under 18 years of age)______________________________
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Entrance Exam Study Guide

Prospective Licensed Practical Nursing Students:

Your math/science preparation must be based on your individual needs. All or part of the following may be used to assist you in your preparation for the LPN Pre-Entrance Exam.

All students should do a practice exam from Mosby’s National League for Nursing Review Guide for the LPN Pre-Entrance Exam. This book includes basic math, science and verbal review sections; it is available for use in the ASC or may be purchased through any commercial bookstore.

Math Preparation
- Take math TABE test.
- Remediate TABE, if necessary, through 11.0 for your LPN program or through 12.9 to better prepare you for the LPN Entrance Exam.
- Take LPN packet math test.
- Complete “Math Skills for LPN Entrance Exam.”
- Take any necessary math classes.*

Science Preparation
- Take the LPN packet science test.
- Review LPN science handouts.
- Take the Diagnosis of Gaps in Science (DOGS) test. (This remediation must be done in the ASC or with books/computer materials you purchase.)
- Request any available handouts needed, based on science test/DOGS test.
- Take any necessary science classes.*

Reading/Language Preparation
- Take Language and Reading TABE test.
- Remediate TABE, if necessary, through 11.0 for your LPN program or through 12.9 to better prepare you for the LPN Entrance Exam.
- Review the TABE 7 & 8 Vocabulary Handout.

Test/Math Anxiety
- Work through Conquering Math Anxiety, by Cynthia Arem. This book may be used in the ASC.
- Attend a student group to learn and practice skills to reduce test anxiety through the Health and Wellness Center. Call Patty Corey at 462-7826 for a screening to determine if this group may be helpful to you.
- Take SLS1533, “Math Anxiety,” a one-credit class that teaches students to confront and overcome their math anxiety. This class also teaches effective math study skills.
- Take SLS1501, “College Study Skills,” a one-credit class that teaches basic study and test-taking skills.
- Take SLS 1101, “Student Success,” a three-credit class that teaches basic study and test-taking skills, time-management, learning styles and much more.

*Suggested for students who have not had science and/or math for five years or more:
  i. Life Science (BSC1005)
  ii. Principles of Physics (PHY1020)
  iii. Introduction to Chemistry (CHM1020)
  iv. Developmental Math I (MAT0018) and/or Developmental Math II (MAT0028)