

## Bossier Parish Community College Master Syllabus

**Course Prefix and Number:** PRNU 110

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Course Title:** Intro to Practical Nursing

**Clock Hours Lecture/Lab/Clinical:** 45/0/0

Enrollment in the program courses (PRNU) is limited to those students who have been selected and admitted to the Practical Nursing program. Program courses are sequenced by semester and must be taken as a group each semester per program requirements and policies.

**Textbook(s):** Textbook of Basic Nursing, Eleventh Edition, Caroline Bunker Rosdahl, Mary T. Kowalski  
Workbook for Textbook of Basic Nursing, Eleventh Edition, Caroline Bunker Rosdahl, Mary T. Kowalski  
Learning Strategies PN, ATi

**Course Description:** This course includes information regarding vocational adjustments and personal, family, and community health issues. It expounds on the role of the practical nurse, practical nursing education and the Law Relating to the Practice of Practical Nursing as defined by the Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners (LSBPNE). In addition to the concepts of health maintenance with identification of local, state and national health resources available for maintenance of health, ethical, legal, cultural issues and trends, communication techniques, and personality development are addressed. Includes an introduction to the normal aging process, including biological, psychosocial, cultural, spiritual, and pharmacological factors, health maintenance throughout the life cycle, rehabilitative and restorative care and support of end-of-life issues utilizing therapeutic and preventive measures. (45 hours lecture)

### **Learning Outcomes:**

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- A. Articulate the roles and responsibilities of the Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) in the health care environment.
- B. Utilize critical thinking skills to describe the legal and ethical responsibilities of the LPN, including legal responsibilities in the state of Louisiana.
- C. Explain the concepts of health maintenance.
- D. Discuss the normal aging process throughout the life cycle.
- E. Discuss end of life issues including rehabilitative and restorative care.

### **Course Objectives:**

Upon successful completion of this course with a minimum of 80% accuracy, the student will:

1. Describe the philosophy, policies, and procedures of the LA State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners as well as trends, cultural factors and legal/ethical principles that impact the delivery of patient care by the Licensed Practical Nurse. (A)
2. Discuss concepts of self-adjustment and relationships with parents, families, employers and co-workers as they relate to vocational adjustments. (C)
3. Describe concepts of health and its maintenance as it relates to personal, family and community health. (C)
4. Explain the characteristics and skills of therapeutic communications. (A)
5. Define nursing and nursing education as they relate to the impact on health, wellness, and illness. (B)
6. Summarize the ethical and legal issues that relate to the practical nurse and the practical nursing student. (B)
7. Identify socio-cultural, ethnic, and religious factors that impact healthcare approaches. (C)
8. Recognize applications of, maintain compliance of, and report deviations from the Code of Ethics for Practical Nursing, the Patients' Bill of Rights, and the Law Relating to the Practice of Practical Nursing in Louisiana. (B)
9. List community and health resources available to clients across the lifespan (infant to geriatric) and families in need. (C)
10. Discuss the interrelationship of stress and illness as applied to self, family, relationships and the community. (C)
11. Describe theories and phases of personality/growth and development throughout the life cycle. (D)
12. Identify and discuss defense and coping behaviors throughout the life cycle development. (E)
13. Discuss the grieving process and end of life issues. (E)
14. Define and discuss advance directives and the rights of the client. (B)
15. Identify ethical issues that relate to care of clients across the lifespan. (B)
16. Identify the practical nurse's role in collaborating with other members of the health care team. (A)
17. Identify the professional responsibility and accountability involved within the scope of the Louisiana Nurse Practice Act as outlined by the Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners. (B)

18. Identify and define the roles of the basic word parts including prefixes, suffixes, root words and combining forms. (A)

**Course Requirements:** To earn a grade of “C” or higher the student must earn 80% of the total points for the course.

**Course Grading Scale:** The final grade will not be rounded up EX. 79.5 =79=D.

100-94 = A

93-87 = B

86-80 = C

79-73 = D

72 - 0 = F

**Attendance Policy:** The attendance policy for the BPCP Practical Nursing Program is included in the program student handbook, which is also posted to the program page of the BPCP website.

**Nondiscrimination Statement:**

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