

2024

Practical Nursing Fast Track Certificate

Information Session

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Objectives



1. Provide an overview of the practical nursing profession
2. Describe the Practical Nursing Fast Track certificate program at Yavapai College
3. Identify the Practical Nursing Fast Track certificate application and program requirements
4. Prepare students for practical nursing education
5. Share information on academic success resources available to support students
6. Allow students to ask questions and seek clarification on any aspect of practical nursing education or the profession

Welcome!



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What is Practical Nursing?

Practical Nurses provide patient care under the direction of a Registered Nurse in a variety of settings with a variety of clinical specializations



- Settings:
 - Hospitals
 - Home health care
 - Nursing home and nursing care facilities
 - Physician offices and private practices
 - Schools
- Specializations:
 - Gerontology
 - Rehabilitation
 - Pediatrics
 - Maternity
 - Medical/Surgical
 - Family Practice
 - Oncology
- State regulation and job descriptions determine LPN duties. Examples may be:
 - Monitoring patient's health
 - Vital signs
 - Medication administration
 - Wound care
 - Infusion Therapy
 - Urinary catheters
 - Ventilator and tracheostomy care
 - Specimen collection
 - Recording and reporting

Employment Outlook



- LPN employment projected to grow 6% from 2021-2031 (Department of Labor, 2022)
- Growth occurring due to:
 - Increased emphasis on preventative care
 - Growing rates of chronic conditions such as diabetes and obesity
 - More admission to long-term care facilities
 - Greater need for home healthcare
- Students often receive offers for employment from the same organization where they complete their clinical rotation
- In Arizona, the national median salary for LPNS is \$59,336, well above national average (Lightcast, 2022)

Program Philosophy



- The Practical Nursing faculty are committed to contributing to the profession of nursing through teaching and service
- We recognize that practical nursing students are unique, come from diverse backgrounds, and have individual learning needs
- Nursing is an art and science, and a sound Practical Nursing education curriculum integrates knowledge from the sciences and the humanities

The Program



- Inaugural class starts Fall, 2024 (August 19th)
- 22 Credits across 2 semesters (Graduate May 2025)
- All in person classes at the Prescott Valley Center
 - Theory
 - Pharmacology
 - Skills Lab
 - Clinical (off-site, travel required)
- Arizona Board Of Nursing (AZBN) approved Program
- Graduates are eligible for NCLEX-PN exam to obtain licensure as a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)



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Department of Labor Nurse Expansion Grant



The YC Practical Nursing Fast Track program is the award recipient of the Department of Labor (DOL) Nurse Expansion Grant!

- The PN Fast Track program is intended to upskill CNAs, LNAs, and Military Medical Personnel to a higher profession of Licensed Practicing Nurse (LPN)
- YC faculty and administrative staff will be tracking student employment status at entry, during the program, and upon graduation, to meet grant requirements and will be providing the data to the DOL as requested
- Supportive funds to assist with tuition are available to qualified students that meet the need criteria through FAFSA. Please contact your [academic advisor](#) and/or [financial aid](#) for more information! (You **MUST** complete a FAFSA to qualify!!)

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Pre-Entry Require- ments



- Arizona certification or licensure as a CNA, LNA or Military Medical Personnel with proof of one year of full-time or two years of part-time recent work experience
- TEAS entrance exam with minimum score of 55.4% (Reading, Math, Science, English and Language)
 - **TEAS *MUST BE* completed between *January 22nd-April 30th, 2024*, for consideration of *Fall 2024* entry**
 - Testing information and scheduling can be done at <https://www.yc.edu/v6/testing-center/>
 - TEAS testing score only eligible for 2-application cycles, then must be repeated
- Students ***MUST*** complete an Information Session, online or in-person, within 12 months of application
- AZ Department of Public Safety Level 1 Fingerprint Clearance Card
- Health Care Provider Signature Form (See program application www.yc.edu/alliedhealth)
- Proof of residency
- Pre-Entry check sheet form signed by advising and student (contact your advisor for this)



Admissions



- Enrollment is limited and highly competitive
- Students ***MUST*** meet the minimum requirements of the program and those of Yavapai College
- Admission is based on point value system
- All Pre-Entry Requirements must be completed and submitted with the program application prior to receiving credit for points towards program acceptance
 - Program application can be found on the [Allied Health](#) website
- ***Program applications for Fall 2024 accepted now through April 30th***



Program Selection



- Program selection is based on a 600-point system

| Category | Ranking Criteria | Criteria Points Values* | Possible Points |
|----------|---|---|-----------------|
| 1 | *ATI TEAS Pre-Entrance Cumulative Score 55.4% minimum is required for application submission | 77.3-100% = 500 points 73.3-77.2% = 450 points 66.8-73.2% = 400 points 62.7-66.7% = 350 points 55.4-62.6% = 300 points Example: Cumulative Score of 60% = 300 points | 500 |
| 2 | **Residency | Yavapai County = 100 points State of Arizona = 50 points | 100 |

*Based on the ATI TEAS V7 PN 2022 Percentile Rank Table Mean of 55.4%

**Min. 1 yr. at time of application submission

- Final selection and placement will be determined by the Director of Allied Health
- Students will receive a Notification of Acceptance/Non-Acceptance via YC Scholar Email account within four weeks of the application deadline

Health Requirements



- Upon conditional acceptance, there are additional health and safety requirements tracked via CastleBranch:
 - Drug Testing
 - Criminal Background
 - Immunizations
 - Tuberculosis
 - American Heart Association BLS CPR for Health Care Providers
- If a student ***DOES NOT*** meet the health and safety requirement deadlines as identified in the acceptance packet, the student's ***program acceptance will be administratively withdrawn***

Program Costs



| Program Needs | Costs |
|--|--|
| Program Tuition | \$4,246 |
| Textbooks (eBook bundle), APA and Drug Guide (Printed texts and recommended materials for additional costs) | \$325 |
| HESI | \$300 |
| MyClinicalExchange | \$40 |
| Background Check, Drug Test, and Immunization Tracker (CastleBranch) | \$132.50 |
| Uniform and Shoes | \$200 |
| Physical Exam and Immunizations | \$350 |
| CPR-Basic Life Support of Health Care Providers (American Heart Association, in-person EMS123 course) | \$70 |
| Fingerprinting Fees | \$130.00 |
| Transportation | \$500 |
| Nursing Pin (At time of program completion) | Gold: \$100 Silver: \$70 |
| LPN exam and licensure fees (After program completion) | Licensure Application, AZBN: \$303 Fingerprints, AZBN: \$50 Exam Registration, Pearson Vue: \$200 |
| Total Estimated Cost: | |
| | \$6,916.50 |

**The above costs are *approximate* and may change. Please make sure you take on the responsibility of knowing tuition and fee schedules as they pertain to you.

Progression



- To qualify for enrollment in subsequent requisite, pre-requisite, and co-requisite courses, the following must be achieved:
 - Pass all components of current PN courses
 - Maintain compliance with the Health and Safety Requirements through program completion
 - Meet all deadlines for clinical facility requirements (ie: CastleBranch, myClinicalExchange)
 - Maintain and demonstrate professional student conduct when in the PN program as described in the student handbook and YC [Code of Conduct](#)



Progression Plan



| Fast Track Practical Nursing Program Pre-Admissions Requirement(s): | | | | Typically Offered | | |
|--|-----|---|---|-------------------|----|----|
| CNAs, LNAs or MMP with one year of full-time or two years of part-time recent work experience; a successful score on ATI TEAS entrance exam (proficiency in Reading, Math, Science, English, and Language) | | | | Credits | FA | SP |
| Course | | Semester 1 | Co- requisites | Credits | FA | SP |
| LPN | 101 | Fundamentals of Practical Nursing Care I * | Concurrent enrollment in LPN 105, LPN 110 & LPN 115 | 4 | X | X |
| LPN | 105 | Development of Practical Nursing Practice* (skills lab) | Concurrent enrollment in LPN 101, LPN 110 & LPN 115 | 2 | X | X |
| LPN | 110 | Application of Practical Nursing Practice I (clinical)* | Concurrent enrollment in LPN 101, LPN 105 & LPN 115 | 3 | X | X |
| LPN | 115 | Pharmacology for Practical Nursing I* | Concurrent enrollment in LPN 101, LPN 105 & LPN 110 | 2 | X | X |

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDITS

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| Course | | Semester 2 | Prerequisites/ Corequisites | Credits | FA | SP |
|--------|-----|--|--|---------|----|----|
| LPN | 201 | Fundamentals of Practical Nursing Care II | *Concurrent enrollment in LPN 205, LPN 210 & LPN 215 | 4 | X | X |
| LPN | 205 | Advanced Development of Practical Nursing (Skills lab) | *Concurrent enrollment in LPN 201, LPN 210 & LPN 215 | 2 | X | X |
| LPN | 210 | Application of Practical Nursing II (clinical) | *Concurrent enrollment in LPN 201, LPN 205 & LPN 215 | 3 | X | X |
| LPN | 215 | Development of Pharmacology for Practical Nursing II | *Concurrent enrollment in LPN 201, LPN 205 & LPN 215 | 2 | X | X |

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDITS

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Academic Success



- [Learning Center Services](#)
 - Tutoring
 - Workshops and study skills
 - Resources for study effectiveness
 - Prep for TEAS
 - Subject/Content help
 - Tools for success
 - Computer help basics
- Prescott: 928.776.2085
- Verde: 928.634.6562



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Questions?!



Financial Aid

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Verde: 928.634.6502

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Testing Services

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Advising Services

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Information Session Completion

Please remember to fill out the Information Session Verification Form on the [Allied Health](#) website to confirm completion of this online session! This **MUST** be done as part of your application to the program



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