

## Technical Certificate: Practical Nursing - 4795

<b><u>Fall Semester</u></b>		<b><u>Credit Hours</u></b>
NSG 101	Nursing of the Geriatric Patient	1
NSG 104	Body Structure and Function	4
NSG 111	Nursing Clinical I	1
NSG 122	Pharmacology I	2
NSG 113	Nursing of Adult Patients I	3
NSG 1210	Basic Nursing Principles and Skills I	<u>10</u>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>21</b>

<b><u>Spring Semester</u></b>		<b><u>Credit Hours</u></b>
NSG 102	Nursing of Children	2
NSG 132	Pharmacology II	2
NSG 134	Nursing of Adult Patients II	4
NSG137	Nursing Clinical II	7
NSG 142	Nursing of Mothers and Infants I	2
NSG 161	Vocational, Legal, and Ethical Concepts	1
NSG 171	Mental Health & Care of the Mentally Ill	<u>1</u>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>19</b>

<b><u>Summer Semester</u></b>		<b><u>Credit Hours</u></b>
NSG 112	Nutrition in Health and Illness	2
NSG 158	Nursing Clinical III	8
NSG 182	Nursing of Adult Patients III	<u>2</u>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>12</b>

### **Additional Requirements**

Students may be awarded a Technical Certificate and be eligible to apply to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nursing after completing the following requirements:

1. Obtaining a minimum grade of "C" on all Practical Nursing courses.
2. Completing a minimum of 560 clock hours of theory and 768 clock hours of laboratory practice in the areas required by Arkansas State Board of Nursing.
3. Discharge all financial obligations to the college prior to graduation.
4. Complete a NCLEX-PN Review Program and a comprehensive assessment test prior to graduation.
5. Participate in graduation exercises.

**FAQ**  
**Technical Certificate: Practical Nursing**

**Q: What is the Technical Certificate in Practical Nursing?**

A: The Practical Nursing Program is an eleven-month program that combines classroom instruction with clinical experience. Students successfully completing the Practical Nursing Course are awarded a Technical Certificate. After graduation, students may apply to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nursing. Persons convicted of a crime may not be eligible to take the NCLEX-PN for licensure as a practical nurse. See the program chairperson for further details. The Practical Nursing Program has been granted full approval by the Arkansas State Board of Nursing.

**Q: What do I need to do to enroll in this program at RMCC?**

A: You may call the Educational Opportunity Center (EOC) at 479-394-7622 ext. 1642 or 1644 for information and assistance with the enrollment process or contact the Director of Admissions at ext. 1460. The RMCC Catalog, which is online, has a complete description of the admissions process.

**Q. How am I assigned an advisor?**

A: Once you complete the application process and declare a degree, you will be assigned an advisor with expertise in your chosen degree. It is important for you to develop a good working relationship with your advisor as this is the person who will help guide you through your time at RMCC. If you have questions about your advisor, contact the Director of Admissions, at 479-394-7622 ext. 1440.

**Q: Where can I get more information about this degree?**

A: The RMCC catalog has more details about this degree. Your advisor and the Student Support Services Transfer Advisor in room 324 can help you with any questions you may have about this degree.

**Q: What if I start having trouble or get behind in my classes?**

A: Student Support Services, a federally funded TRIO program, and the Learning Enrichment & Advising Center (LEAC) are located in the Johnson Learning Commons. Both offer a wide variety of free services to qualified students. In addition to tutoring, SSS offers academic and transfer advising, career planning, and study skills development. SSS also has a book and technology loan program in place. Contact Lisa Rackley at 479-394-7622 ext.1624, Theresa Davis at 479-394-7622 ext. 1621 or Lisa Harrison at 479-637-5502 for further information.