

OKLAHOMA BOARD OF NURSING STATEMENT

The Practical Nursing Class is approved by the Oklahoma Board of Nursing. Graduates of this state-approved program are eligible to apply to write the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) for practical nurses. Applicants for Oklahoma licensure must meet all state and federal requirements to hold an Oklahoma license to practice nursing. In addition to completing a state-approved nursing education program that meets educational requirements and successfully passing the licensure examination, requirements include submission of an application for licensure, a criminal history records search, and evidence of citizenship or qualified alien status. Applicants for practical nurse licensure must also hold a high school diploma or a graduate equivalency degree (G.E.D.) [59 O.S. §567.5 & 567.6]. To be granted a license, an applicant must have the legal right to be in the United States (United States Code Chapter 8, Section 1621). In addition, Oklahoma law only allows a license to be issued to U.S. citizens, U.S. nationals, and legal permanent resident aliens. Other qualified aliens may be issued a temporary license that is valid until the expiration of their visa status, or if there is no expiration date, for one year. Applicants who are qualified aliens must present, in person, valid documentary evidence of:

1. A valid, unexpired immigrant or nonimmigrant visa status for admission into the United States;
2. A pending or approved application for asylum in the United States;

3. Admission into the United States in refugee status;
4. A pending or approved application for temporary protected status in the United States;
5. Approved deferred action status; or
6. A pending application for adjustment of status to legal permanent resident status or conditional resident status.

The Board has the right to deny a license to an individual with a history of criminal background, disciplinary action on another health-related license or certification, or judicial declaration of mental incompetence [59 O.S. § 567.8]. These cases are considered on an individual basis at the time application for licensure is made, with the exception of felony charges. An individual with a felony conviction cannot apply for licensure for at least five years after completion of all sentencing terms including probation and suspended sentences, unless a presidential or gubernatorial pardon is received [59 O.S. §567.5 & 567.6].

High Plains Technology Center does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex/gender, age, national origin, disability, or veteran status.

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Practical Nursing

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PRACTICAL NURSING

The Practical Nursing program is approved by Oklahoma Board of Nursing and Oklahoma Department of Career & Technology Education. It is designed for adults who want a challenging career full of opportunities. The Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) works under the supervision or direction of a registered nurse, licensed physician or dentist. Opportunities are abundant and predicted to grow.

Student organizations provide opportunities to build leadership and teamwork skills as well as involvement in community projects.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Students must have a GED or high school diploma to apply for Practical Nursing Program. Students must be 18 years of age by the time the NCLEX exam is taken.

Requirements:

- Completed application for PN Program
- High school transcript to verify graduation or GED Certificate with test score
- Pre-entrance testing (fee required) consists of aptitude, interest, basic academic skills
- Record of employment and health education
- References

COURSE CONTENT

Classes meet Monday through Thursday. Classes begin in July 2011 with graduation in mid June 2012.

Course content includes theory, lab and clinical practice in these areas:

- Medical Terminology
- Anatomy & Physiology
- Concepts of Nursing
- Long Term Care Nursing Assistant
- Fundamentals of Nursing
- Clinical I – Basic Nursing
- Pharmacology & Intravenous Therapy Skills
- Medical Surgical Nursing I
- Clinical II – Medical Surgical Nursing (Part I)
- Medical Surgical Nursing II
- Pediatric Nursing
- Maternity – Child Nursing
- Mental Health Concepts
- Clinical III – Medical Surgical Nursing (Part II)
- Clinical IV – Maternal/Child, Pediatric and Mental Health
- Transition to Practice
- Clinical V – Transition to Practice

Theory hours	775
Clinical hours	<u>688</u>
TOTAL	1,463

PROGRAM EXPENSES

Financial aid information may be obtained in the Student Services office. It is the student's responsibility to handle the initial financial obligations of deposit and tuition. Continuing financial assistance is contingent upon satisfactory grades, progress toward a diploma and satisfactory attendance.

When students are notified of acceptance, a \$50 deposit is required to reserve student's place in the program.

TUITION

In District	\$2,625
Program Fee	2,000
Deposit	<u>50</u>
TOTAL	\$4,675
Out of District	\$5,250
Program Fee	2,000
Deposit	<u>50</u>
TOTAL	\$7,300

Estimated program fee includes books, uniforms, etc.

Expenses not covered by program fee include but are not limited to supplies, living expenses, child care, and transportation.