

## VN100: VOCATIONAL NURSING PROGRAM DIPLOMA COURSE

The Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians has approved Curam College of Nursing to offer a Vocational Nursing Program consisting of 1720 hours. Curam College of Nursing is responsible to deliver 1584 of the required hours while the student is required to transfer in 136 credit hours consisting of Anatomy and Physiology 36 hours, Nutrition 36 hours, Pharmacology 54 hours and be a Certified Nurse Assistant that will give them 10 credit hours for their clinical experience.

This program, taught by means of an integrated curriculum, is divided into three (3) terms. The core curriculum shall be taught in a sequence resulting in students' progressive mastery of knowledge, skills and abilities; which consists of: (1) Fundamentals, (2) Nursing Process, (3) Communication, (4) Patient Education, (5) Pharmacology, (6) Psychology, (7) Growth and Development, (8) Nutrition, (9) Communicable Disease, (10) Gerontological Nursing, (11) Rehabilitation Nursing, (12) Ethics, (13) Critical Thinking, (14) Culturally Congruent Care, (15) End of Life Cycle, (16) Medical-Surgical Nursing, (17) Maternal/Child Nursing, (18) Pediatric Nursing, (19) Professionalism.

The Vocational Nursing Program is 42 weeks long and is taught Monday-Friday. Theory days are 0800-1630 hours and Clinical days are 0600-1430 hours. The maximum number of students per class is twenty (20) to maintain a maximum instructor-student ratio of 1:20. During clinical rotations the instructor to student ratio of 1:10 must be maintained. After completing the program, students are required to accomplish the preparatory exam review Virtual-ATI.

### PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Be at least 18 years old
- Valid Government-issued photo ID (Driver's License or U.S. Passport)
- Social Security card
- Provide proof of U.S. grade 12 completion (Official High School Transcript, GED, 2- or 4-year degree, Foreign Evaluation)
- Submit proof of a completed Nurse Assistant Training Program
- Student Health Questionnaire: Self-report of student health
- Medical-Physical: Fit for duty without restrictions. Performed within 12 months to program start date
- Immunizations:
  - Influenza (12-month exp.)
  - Hepatitis B (10-year exp.)
  - MMR: Mumps, Measles, Rubella (10-year exp.)
  - Tuberculosis: 2-step test which is negative (12-month exp. or chest x-ray (10-year exp.)
- Submit a Malpractice Insurance application from [www.nso.com](http://www.nso.com) with an effective date matching the start date of the VN100 program.
- Entrance Exam: Submit results one of the following exams: HESI, Kaplan, P-NAT or TEAS
- Submit Official Transcript showing completion of Anatomy & Physiology (36hrs) Nutrition (36hrs) & Pharmacology (54hrs)
- Reference letters (2), preferably from a nursing professional on company letterhead, dated and signed by letter writer.
- Admission Essay: An original essay which describes why they are a good candidate to care for people within the nursing community. Includes a 5-year plan for the applicant's nursing career.

### ADMISSION PROCEDURE

- Visit the school, take a tour, complete paperwork
- Pay the non-refundable application fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00)
- Submit all completed documentation as listed in the "Program Requirements"
- Complete Admission Interview with Program Director
- Complete a Student Performance Fact Sheet
- Complete a Financial Agreement
- Complete an Enrollment Agreement

### FINANCIAL BREAKDOWN

- Total tuition amount is \$25,110.00
- Two (2) Term payments of \$3,700.00 that begin Term I & II
- One (1) Term payment of \$3,710.00 that begins Term III
- Seven (7) monthly payments of \$2,000.00

### OTHER EXPENSES AND EQUIPMENT

- Application Fee \$50.00: Paid when a student decides to apply for a specific cohort or start date
- Entrance Exam \$65.00: Students must submit results from the HESI, Kaplan, P-NAT or TEAS (12-month exp.)
- Enrollment Fee \$50.00: Paid after the student has completed their application and are invited to enroll to the program
- Criminal Background Screening (Live Scan) \$65.00: Item is required to complete BVNPT Initial Application
- Malpractice Insurance \$25.00: Students are required to hold an active insurance policy from NSO ([www.nso.com](http://www.nso.com))
- Passport Photo \$10.00: One passport-style photo is needed to complete the student's BVNPT Initial Application
- BVNPT Initial Application \$220.00: Fee required to complete the application
- Pearson VUE registration \$200.00: Fee required to register an approved account for the NCLEX-PN exam