

## PROGRAM CURRICULUM

### Practical Nursing– Day Option Certificate

#### DIVISION OF HEALTH SCIENCES

The Practical Nursing Program is designed to meet the educational needs of those who wish career entry as a licensed health care worker. Graduates are employed in various health care settings such as extended care facilities, hospitals, clinics, and offices. The day option of the Practical Nursing Program is conducted over a 40-week period beginning in the fall semester and continuing through June. Classes, labs, and clinicals are scheduled full-time during the day.

The Practical Nursing Program has been approved by the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing. Graduates are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses.

Upon successful completion, the Certificate in Practical Nursing is awarded.

#### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Applicants seeking admission to Health Profession programs are considered on an individual basis. Students seeking admission to the Practical Nursing program will be evaluated by GPA and total number of college-level credits completed at MassBay. Priority for admission is given to current MassBay students. Applicants must also meet all other required course prerequisites for the program. Minimum eligibility for admissions to this program includes:

- MassBay Placement into Freshman English I (EN 101) or completion of College Writing (WR 100) or with a grade of C or higher.
- MassBay Placement into Intermediate Algebra (MA 098) or completion of Introductory Algebra (MA 096) with a grade of C or higher.
- Successful completion of Reading Assessment Test. Refer to the Competitive Programs Admissions Requirements.

CORI (Criminal Offender Record Information) and SORI (Sexual Offender Registry Information) background checks are required prior to clinical placement and will be conducted in accordance with state regulations. CORI and SORI results are confidential.

Proof of CPR certification is required on or before the first day of the first semester and must be submitted to the Division of Health Sciences. The Healthcare Provider Card (from the American Heart Association) and the Professional Rescuer Card (from American Red Cross or National Safety Council) are the only types of CPR certification that meet this requirement. Students may enroll in a Health Care Provider course through the Office of Corporate & Community Education.

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	CREDITS
<i>First Year Semester 1</i>		
BI 113*	Essentials of Anatomy and Physiology	3
BI 118	Elements of Microbiology	1
HL 111	Essentials of Nutrition	2
PN 102	Foundations of Practical Nursing	10
PN 105	Issues & Trends in Practical Nursing I	1
PN 107	Principles of Pharmacology I	2
	<b>credits:</b>	19
<i>Intercession</i>		
PN 108	Nursing Process Intercession	2
	<b>credits:</b>	2
<i>First Year Semester 2</i>		
PS 118	Life Span Psychology	3
PN 106	Issues & Trends in Practical Nursing II	1
PN 110	Principles of Pharmacology II	2
PN 120	Nursing Care of the Adult and Aged	14
	<b>credits:</b>	20
<i>Summer</i>		
PN 130	Care of the Family	7
	<b>credits:</b>	7
	<b>Total Credits:</b>	48

Students who do not submit the required Division of Health Sciences (DHS) health forms or other required information will have a health hold placed on their records preventing registration in any courses. Forms / information must be submitted to the DHS compliance coordinator.

#### PROGRAM FOOTNOTES

\*A combination of Anatomy and Physiology I (BI 115) and Anatomy and Physiology II (BI 116) fulfills this requirement.

A grade of C or higher is required for all Practical Nursing (PN) and science courses.