

PRACTICAL NURSING DIPLOMA PROGRAM BULLETIN

The purpose of this bulletin is to provide information to help you decide if the Practical Nursing (PN) program is right for you at this time. Please consider the following information very carefully.

- You will be required to attend class approximately 30 hours a week. There is a considerable amount of pre-reading and several assignments, which must be done outside of class time. Our students estimate that there is an additional 2-3 hours per night of homework, as well as several hours on weekends.
- It is an expectation that all students entering the PN program will have a familiarity with computers and associated technology. Students will regularly be required to utilize technology throughout the program and in various health care settings.
- The PN Program incorporates experiential learning and group learning into the program. The PN program engages students in active learning. You will be expected to take part in role-plays, especially in lab, class presentations, to share your experiences, and to learn with and through your classmates.
- Students will receive constructive feedback throughout the program. Students in the PN program should be prepared to be reflective learners who integrate constructive feedback into their practice in order to learn and grow.
- Practice Experience placements may require that the students work a variety of shifts including 8-12 hours days, evenings, and night shifts. Practice Experience placements will be in various communities and students will be expected to commute.

Please carefully read the following document:

Canadian Council for Practical Nurse Regulators. (2013). *Becoming a Licensed Practical Nurse in Canada: Requisite Skills and Abilities*. Retrieved from https://www.bccnp.ca/becoming_a_nurse/Documents/LPN_requisite_skills_abilities.pdf#search=equisite%20skills%20and%20abilities

Please sign below to indicate that you have read the program bulletin and the document titled *Becoming a Practical Nurse in Canada: Requisite Skills and Abilities*.

Print name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

** If you have any concerns about your ability to meet these program expectations, you may want to contact a North Island College Counselor and/or faculty member in the Access for Students with Disabilities Department at your local campus.