

SOUTHWEST TECHNOLOGY CENTER

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THERAPEUTIC PATHWAY

Adult Only

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This 12 month Practical Nursing training program, beginning in February each year, will prepare students to work as a highly skilled member of the health care team. Upon successfully writing the licensure exam, students can work under the supervision of a registered nurse or a licensed physician to provide nursing care to selected patients.

CERTIFICATIONS/EMPLOYMENT

Students may complete the Level I curriculum and obtain their Certified Nursing Assistant, CNA, certification through the Oklahoma Department of Health.

Upon successfully completing the Level II curriculum students may obtain their Advanced Unlicensed Assistant, AUA, through the Board of Nursing.

After at least six months of employment as a CNA, students may obtain their Certified Medication Aide, CMA, certification.

After successful completion of the practical nursing program, students are prepared to take the National Council Licensure Examination, NCLEX. Employment opportunities are exceptional throughout the state of Oklahoma.

SALARY RANGE

Average starting salaries range from \$10.50 to \$18.50 per hour

PREREQUISITES

Medical Terminology

Professional CPR certification

Complete CR101 assessment with a score of 5 or higher

Graduated with HS diploma or GED

Ability to bend and lift patients

Must be a US Citizen with NO felony convictions unless term has been served and five years have lapsed since completion of sentence.

LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSING

1463 HOURS

Level I

	Medical Terminology (Prerequisite)	45
HL00004	Long Term Care Aide	75
HL00097	Introduction to Nursing	40
HL00046	Anatomy and Physiology	120
HL00099	Clinical I Basic Nursing	80

Level II

HL00098	Fundamentals of Nursing	160
HL00100	Pharmacology and Intravenous	66
HL00101	Medical Surgical Nursing I	78
HL00090	Mental Health Nursing	40
HL00093	Clinical II (Surgical Nursing Part I)	224

Level III

HL00102	Medical/Surgical Nursing II	78
HL00087	Pediatric Nursing	45
HL00356	Clinical III (Med Surg II)	232
HL00088	Maternity/Newborn Nursing	45
HL00089	Clinical IV (Transition to Practice)	120
HL00091	Transition to Practice	15

CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT

200 HOURS

	Medical Terminology (Prerequisite)	45
HL00004	Long Term Care Assistant	75
HL00099	Clinical I Basic Nursing	80

CERTIFIED MEDICATION AIDE

490 HOURS

	Medical Terminology (Prerequisite)	45
HL00004	Long Term Care Assistant	75
HL00099	Clinical I Basic Nursing	80
HL00100	Pharmacology and Intravenous	66
HL00093	Clinical II (Surgical Nursing Part I)	224

ADVANCED UNLICENSED ASSISTANT

570 HOURS

	Medical Terminology (Prerequisite)	45
HL00004	Long Term Care Assistant	75
HL00100	Pharmacology and Intravenous	66
HL00093	Clinical II (Surgical Nursing Part I)	224
HL00098	Fundamentals of Nursing	160

CHANGING LIVES

ONE CAREER AT A TIME



ASSESSMENT

Test: CR101 and PSB

Cost: \$5.00 CR101 / \$20.00 PSB

ENROLLMENT OPTIONS

Adult students Only

Full-time: 8:00 to 3:00

PROGRAM CALENDAR

Length: 12 month program

Start Date: February

End Date: February

TUITION RATES

In district: \$2.10 per hour

Out of district: \$4.20 per hour

PROGRAM ACCREDITATIONS

Oklahoma Board of Nursing

Oklahoma State Board of Education

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ATTENDANCE

High priority is placed on attendance. Reliability in the work place is the single most valued employee trait in today's job market. The attendance rule will apply to all students enrolled in the PN program. Attendance will be calculated and applied to each nine-week grading period. Students will be required to be in attendance 95% of the time.

CLINICALS

All students entering the practical nursing program must meet health and safety requirements. Documentation of all immunizations including Hepatitis B, proof of immunity, and documentation of a current tuberculosis (TB) skin test prior to starting clinical. Clinical facility may require current drug test and Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigations, OSBI, background check. Facility computer training, safety training will also be required.

COLLEGE CREDIT

Students can receive college credit hours at WOSC or at OU. Upon completion of the practical nursing program, students will have to be admitted to the respective college or university in the nursing program in order to finish their degree. Other state universities may offer advanced standing credit upon completion and licensing.

FINANCIAL AID

To qualify for financial aid, students will need to complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid, FAFSA, form and enroll in a career major that is at least 600 hours. Application forms may be obtained from the financial aid coordinator, Monica Cox. Please have documentation of high school graduation or G.E.D. completion.



PELL

OTAG

SWTC Foundation Scholarship

ODCTE Otha Grimes Scholarship

ODCTE McCrabb Scholarship

P.E.O. Program for Continuing Education

OAMCTE Scholarship for Minority Students

Lee Office Scholarship

Breakfast Club Scholarship

Oklahoma Business and Professional Women's Foundations Scholarship

Tribal Scholarships

OHLAP

WIA Demand Labor Force Careers- OK Employment Security Commission Office

WIA-Youth Program

Department of Human Services-TANF

Department of Rehabilitative Services

Veteran's Benefits

Oklahoma Rural Organization/ OK Employment Security

Air Force Aid Society

Physician's Manpower

OKLAHOMA BOARD OF NURSING

The Southwest Technology Center Practical Nursing program 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 [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 to the Board office, in person, valid documentary evidence of: 1. A valid, unexpired immigrant or nonimmigrant visa status for admission to 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 authority to deny a license, recognition or certificate; issue a license, recognition or certificate with conditions and/or an administrative penalty; or to issue and otherwise discipline a license, recognition or certificate to an individual with a history of criminal background, disciplinary action on any professional or occupational 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 convictions. 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].