

Perioperative Nursing/LPN program

Theory courses delivered by distance (asynchronous online)

Program Overview

The Perioperative Nursing/LPN program is an advanced certificate program of interest to licensed practical nurses who:

- work in the operating room and want to increase their expertise;
- want to make the transition to perioperative nursing;
- want to acquire specialized knowledge and skills in perioperative nursing and aseptic technique;
- seek educational recognition.

The Perioperative Nursing/LPN program provides knowledge and skills in areas such as:

- application of the nursing process to perioperative nursing;
- principles and practice of aseptic technique; and
- basic technical skills in surgical procedures.

Program Benefits

Upon successful completion of the program you will be prepared for a career in the operating room, ambulatory surgery centre or freestanding clinic. You will also be eligible to apply for

- 660 practice hours to maintain registration with the Saskatchewan Association of Licensed Practical Nurses (SALPN) if you are a licensed practical nurse in Saskatchewan while taking the program
- the Grad Exemption Tax

Admission Requirements

- Licensed with the practical nurses licensing body in the province where you will participate in the clinical component. Your registration must be active and current to participate in the clinical component.

Graduates of the SIAST Practical Nursing Program prior to 2001, and graduates of a licensed practical nursing program that did not include administration of oral and IM medications, and catheterization, must also provide proof of completion of the following:

- Administration of Medications for LPNs or equivalent
- NURS 1601 Catheterization or equivalent
- PHAR 1602 IM Completer Course or equivalent

Following acceptance into the full program, it's recommended you submit proof of:

- Current CPR Health Care Provider/AED Level "C" Certificate; and
- Current immunization - You will be notified prior to participating in CLIN 220 if updating is required.

Admission method is first qualified, first admitted. All programs using this method accept applications year-round. Qualified applicants who are not offered a seat must reapply for the next academic year.

Learning Methods

The six theory courses are delivered by distance (asynchronous online).

With distance delivery you:

- access course materials by signing onto the internet at your convenience;
- communicate with faculty and other students through discussion, assignments, online conferencing or email;
- write exams online at approved test sites in, or close to, your home community.

The 5-day lab consists of a demonstration of essential psychomotor skills, practicing skills under supervision, and a performance exam.

The clinical experience (approximately 10 weeks) takes place after successful completion of the lab.

The lab and clinical take place in pre-approved agencies within the Regina Qu'Appelle and/or Saskatoon health regions.

Tuition

Complete details on tuition and fees for this program are available on the SIAST web page.

To determine if you may be eligible for Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR), contact the instructor after you are enrolled.

Full Program

You have approximately eight months (excluding July and August) to complete the theory, lab and clinical courses.

- NURS 244 Surgical Environment (55 hrs)
- NURS 250 Perioperative Nursing Process/LPN (45 hrs)
- NURS 246 Surgical Equipment (30 hrs)
- ANAT 266 Anatomy Review (15 hrs)
- NURS 214 Perioperative Nurse/Anesthesia/LPN (25 hrs)
- NURS 248 Surgical Procedures (60 hrs)
- NURS 202 Psychomotor Skills Lab (30 hrs)
- CLIN 220 Perioperative Nursing Practice/LPN (400 hrs)

Prior to the participating in CLIN 220, you must have proof of:

- Current CPR Health Care Provider/AED Level "C" Certificate
- Current immunization

Start dates

November and January

Theory courses part-time

You must apply to the program and be accepted before you can register to take theory courses part-time (on a course by course basis). You must complete all the theory courses, psychomotor skills lab and clinical experience within 3 years from the start date of your first theory course.

Theory courses

- Part-time students register in individual theory courses as listed.
- Registration deadline is 1 month prior to the start date.
- CRN - Course Registration Number

NURS 244 Surgical Environment

Course hours: 55
Tuition: \$578
Start/end date: Nov 7-Jan 6
CRN: 09-84
Start/end date: Jan 9-Mar 2
CRN: 03-414

NURS 250 Perioperative Nursing Process/LPN

Course hours: 45
Pre-requisite (concurrent): NURS 244
Tuition: \$552
Start/end date: Nov 14-Jan 6
CRN: 09-86
Start/end date: Jan 16-Mar 2
CRN: 03-416

NURS 246 Surgical Equipment

Course hours: 30
Pre-requisite: NURS 244, NURS 250
Tuition: \$512
Start/end date: Jan 9-Feb 17
CRN: 09-87
Start/end date: Mar 5-Apr 20
CRN: 03-417

ANAT 266 Anatomy Review

Course hours: 15
Pre-requisite (concurrent): NURS 246
Tuition: \$281
Start/end date: Jan 9-Feb 3
CRN: 09-88
Start/end date: Mar 5-Apr 2
CRN: 03-418

NURS 214 Perioperative Nurse/Anesthesia/LPN

Course hours: 25
Pre-requisite: NURS 250
Tuition: \$422
Start/end date: Feb 6-Mar 9
CRN: 09-90
Start/end date: Apr 10-May 11
CRN: 03-420

NURS 248 Surgical Procedures

Course hours: 60
Pre-requisite: ANAT 266
Pre-requisite (concurrent): NURS 214
Tuition: \$605
Start/end date: Feb 21-Mar 23
CRN: 09-91
Start/end date: Apr 23-May 25
CRN: 03-421

Visit the program web page to view complete course descriptions.

www.goSIASST.com/programs&courses

All courses are subject to minimum enrollment and tuition fee changes.

To enroll full or part time:

Complete a SIASST Application for Admission form. Check (✓) "full time" or "part-time" in the Program Information section. Part time students **must also complete** a registration form for each course they want to take.

- Application to the program and registration for a course can be made in person, by phone, mail, fax, or online.
- Application and registration forms are available on our website or by contacting:

Registration Services
SIASST Wascana Campus
Phone: (306) 798-4314
Fax: (306) 798-1377

To purchase course material:

The cost of texts and materials is approximately \$250.

Order online, by phone or in person from the Wascana Campus Bookstore.

Toll free: 1-866-569-8398

For additional information:

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