

Practical Nursing Diploma Courses

Award	Diploma
Credits	30
Program Start	Fall, Spring
Time to Complete	1 year
Course Format	Face-to-Face

As a student in a health program at Hawkeye Community College, and to participate in clinicals, you will be required to complete the following screenings: Criminal background check, sex offender registry, child abuse registry, and dependent adult registry. The outcome could possibly affect your opportunities to participate in the clinical setting.

You must be CPR certified and have a health physical on file at Hawkeye prior to the first day of clinical course work.

2023–2024 Suggested Sequence of Study



The following suggested sequence of study is for new full-time students starting the program Fall 2023 or Spring 2024. Part-time students should visit with a program advisor for a modified sequence of study.



When registering for classes refer to Self-Service > Student Planning to view your specific program requirements, your progress, and ensure proper registration.



Courses are subject to change.

◆ General education course.

► Course has a prerequisite and/or corequisite.

8WK1 Course meets the first 8 weeks of the term.

8WK2 Course meets the second 8 weeks of the term.

Term 0 — Prerequisites

BIO-168	Human Anatomy and Physiology I <i>Minimum B- grade required. Three attempt retake policy. Must be completed no more than five years prior to beginning Term 1.</i>	4
BIO-173	Human Anatomy and Physiology II ► <i>Minimum B- grade required. Three attempt retake policy. Must be completed no more than five years prior to beginning Term 1.</i>	4
ENG-105	Composition I ► <i>Minimum C- grade required.</i>	3
HSC-108	Introduction to Health Professions <i>Minimum C- grade required. Must be taken at Hawkeye.</i>	2
HSC-168	Nurse Aide *** <i>Minimum C- grade required.</i>	3.5

Total Credits 16.5

Chemistry prerequisite: In addition to the listed prerequisite coursework, students must have completed two semesters of high school chemistry or CHM-122 Introduction to General Chemistry with a minimum C- grade to be eligible for acceptance in the nursing program. See Admissions Requirements for more information.

*** HSC-168 Nurse Aide must be completed through an accredited college or show proof of CNA Registry. Applicants will need to provide an official transcript showing successful course completion or work with Admissions to confirm being on the Iowa Direct Care Worker Registry.



Students must achieve an 80% in all non-prerequisite courses required to complete the program.

Term 1

PNN-117	Nursing Clinical I ►	8WK1	1
PNN-118	Nursing Clinical II ►	8WK2	1
PNN-115	Introduction to Nursing ►		4
PNN-116	Introduction to Nursing Skills Lab ►		2
PNN-122	Introduction to Pharmacology ►		2
PNN-216	Health Promotion & Maintenance Across the Lifespan ►		2
	Math Elective		3

Total Credits 15

Term 2

PNN-214 Basic Health Alterations A ►	8WK1	3
PNN-218 Nursing Clinical III ►	8WK1	1
PNN-215 Basic Health Alterations B ►	8WK2	3
PNN-221 Nursing Clinical IV ►	8WK2	1
PNN-319 Issues and Trends in Practical Nursing Leadership ►	8WK2	2
BIO-151 Nutrition		3
PNN-219 Foundations of Nursing Skills Lab ►		2
Total Credits		15

Math Electives

MAT-102 Intermediate Algebra	4
MAT-110 Math for Liberal Arts ►	3
MAT-121 College Algebra ►	4
MAT-128 Precalculus ►	4
MAT-134 Trigonometry and Analytic Geometry ►	3
MAT-156 Statistics ►	3
MAT-210 Calculus I ►	4
MAT-216 Calculus II ►	4
MAT-219 Calculus III ►	4